# 1990-1991 Warren Center Programs

# **Fellows Programs**

1990/1991 Fellows Program, "Eastern European Literature and Political Change" Participants were Michael Bess (history), Jean Bethke Elshtain (political science), Antonina Gove (Slavic languages and literature), Michael Hodges (philosophy), David Steiner (political science), Valerie Traub (English), and Frank Wcislo (history).

<u>Guest Speakers</u>: **Martin Gilbert** (history, Oxford University); **Stanislaw Baranczak** (Slavic Languages, Harvard University); **Jeffrey Goldfarb** (sociology, New School for Social Research).

# 1989/1990 Fellows Program, "The Rhetoric of Public Life"

The members of the 1989/1990 Fellows Program "The Return of Rhetoric" hosted a conference on "The Rhetoric of Public Life."

<u>Guest Speakers</u>: **Mary Ann Glendon** (Harvard Law School); **James Boyd White** (L. Hart Professor of Law & Professor of English Language and Literature, University of Michigan); **Christopher Lasch** (Watson Professor of History, University of Rochester).

# **Special Events**

### **Ethics and the University**

This was a series of three Saturday meetings with faculty from across the University, held at the Warren Center in conjunction with the Faculty Forum. This project received funding from the Lilly Foundation.

<u>Guest Speakers</u>: **John D. Maguire** (President, Claremont University Center and Graduate School); **Mark Schwen** (Dean, Christ College, Valparaiso University); **Michael McPherson** (Professor and Chair of Economics, Williams College).

### Leonard Folgarait

Leonard Folgarait (Vanderbilt, fine arts) delivered a work-in-progress lecture sponsored by the Humanities Center on "Diego Rivera's National Palace Mural."

### R.W.B. Lewis

Professor of English and American Studies and Neil Gray Professor of Rhetoric (Emeritus) at Yale University, R.W. B. Lewis presented a lecture entitled, "Robert Penn Warren: A Canon for Humanists." The lecture served to officially note the renaming of the Center in honor of Warren. Lewis also met with an undergraduate American Studies class and with graduate students in the English Department.

# **Warren Center Seminars**

### Biography as a Way of Understanding Institutions

The purpose of this seminar was to explore how biography, broadly conceived as the study of lives and careers in relation to institutions, may contribute to one's ability to generalize about institutions.

# The Cambridge Historians: Language, Intention, Paradigms

The seminar met twice, primarily aimed at faculty and graduate students in history and political science.

### **Faculty Luncheon Discussions**

Faculty members gave short presentations about their current research.

### **Gender Seminar**

The seminar met three times.

### **Great Works Series**

This was a year long program in which interested faculty gathered to discuss great works of literature. Discussion leaders have expertise in the area being examined.