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## **The Language of Occupation**

**NEIU Conference Examines How Dialogue Influences Perspectives**

**WHAT:** Northeastern Illinois University (NEIU), will host Dialogue Under Occupation, a conference that will investigate how language influences the way people think and feel in times of occupation. The conference also aims to promote understanding of the ideologies, issues and concerns of individuals affected by occupation.

**WHERE:** Northeastern Illinois University, 5500 North St. Louis Avenue in Chicago (Use campus entrance located at 3701 West Bryn Mawr Avenue.)

**WHEN:** Tuesday, November 7 through Saturday, November 11 – various times; visit [www.neiu.edu/~duo](http://www.neiu.edu/~duo) to view the entire conference schedule.

**DETAILS:** Sessions include:

- The documentary screening of “Occupied Minds.” Jamal Dajani, a Palestinian-American, and David Michaelis, an Israeli citizen, journey to Jerusalem to offer unique insights into the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. The directors will discuss and answer questions about their film.
- A special panel, “Breaking the Silence;” two former Israeli Defense Force soldiers will speak about their experiences in the Occupied Territories.

Registration for the entire conference or a one-day pass can be made in advance or at the door. Additional information about the conference is available online at [www.neiu.edu/~duo](http://www.neiu.edu/~duo).

Contact Dr. Lawrence N. Berlin, (773) 442-5493 for more information.

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