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GRADUATE LIBERAL STUDIES PROGRAM
SOCS 634: A HISTORY OF EUROPE SINCE 1900 SUMMER, 2010

BOOKS: The following books are available for purchase at Broad Street Books in Middletown. Copies are also available at Olin Library, but are not on reserve. Browse frequently in the Olin collection; occasionally you may choose to substitute for the required readings with choices of your own on the same subject.

Felix Gilbert and David C. Large, The End of the European Era (Norton)

Sheila Fitzpatrick, The Russian Revolution (Oxford)

Robert Paxton, The Anatomy of Fascism (Knopf)

James Joll, The Origins of the First World War (Longman)

Tony Judt, Postwar (Penguin)

Ian Kershaw, Hitler: Nemesis, 1936-1945 (Norton) Recommended.

A.J.P. Taylor, The Origins of the Second World War (Simon & Schuster)
Out of Print. Broad Street Books may have used copies.

DOCUMENTS:

A documentary collection will be found on "Blackboard." You can download and print the documents noted under readings for several class sessions.

EXAMINATION PAPERS: Two take-home examination papers will be required. Each should be approximately five to six printed pages, double-spaced, exclusive of endnotes. The first paper will be due on **Wednesday, July 14 at the beginning of class; the second will be due no later than 9 A.M. on Friday, July 30.** The questions will be handed out a week prior to the date the examination papers are due.

SCHEDULE OF CLASSES AND READINGS:

For a few classes there are several readings suggested, and you may choose one or more of them. Please be sure to read all of the documents listed.

Monday, June 28: Introduction**Wednesday, June 30:****European Society and Politics, 1900-1914.**

Felix Gilbert and David C. Large, The End of the European Era, Part I, chapters 1 and 2

Robert Paxton, The Anatomy of Fascism, chapters 1 and 2

Document A, Walter Bagehot, "The English Constitution"

Document B, The Prince Consort, "The Great Exhibition 1851"

Document C, Winston Churchill on Progress

Document D, David Lloyd George in 1908

Document E, Keir Hardie on Socialism

Document F, Jean Jaurès, "Discours à la Jeunesse"

Document G, Syndicalism in France

Document H, Marinetti: The Founding and Manifesto of Futurism

Monday July 5**World War I: Origins, Struggles, and Impact. The Russian Revolutions of 1917.**

Felix Gilbert and David C. Large, The End of the European Era Part I, chapter 3

James Joll, The Origins of the First World War

Robert Paxton, The Anatomy of Fascism, chapter 2

Sheila Fitzpatrick, The Russian Revolution, chapters 1 and 2

Document O, "A statement by Lenin"

Wednesday July 7:**The Soviet Union under Lenin and Stalin.**

Sheila Fitzpatrick, The Russian Revolution, chapters 3-6

Document 1, "Stalin's speech at Lenin's Funeral and 1931 Speech"

Document 1A, "A comment on Stalin by Citizen Andreyeva"

Monday July 12**The Treaty of Versailles. Mussolini and Fascist Italy.**

Felix Gilbert and David C. Large, The End of the European Era, Part II, Chapters 4 and 5

Robert Paxton, The Anatomy of Fascism, chapters 1, 3, and 4
Document 2, Benito Mussolini, "Political and Social Doctrine of Fascism"

Document 3, "Gabrielle d'Annunzio, 1915"

Wednesday, July 14: ** PAPER DUE, 9 A.M.****Hitler and Nazi Germany.**

Film: "Triumph of the Will," to be shown at the beginning of class.

Felix Gilbert and David C. Large, The End of the European Era, Part II, Chapter 6, or

Ian Kershaw, Hitler: Nemesis, 1936-1945

Robert Paxton, The Anatomy of Fascism, chapter 5

Monday, July 19:**Appeasement and the Origins of World War II.**

Felix Gilbert and David C. Large, The End of the European Era, Part II, chapter 7, or

A. J. P. Taylor, The Origins of the Second World War

Document 4, "Léon Blum and the Popular Front in France"

Document 5, "Jacques Doriot and Fascism in France"

Document 6, "Manifesto of Generalissimo Francisco Franco"

Document 7, General Millan Astray, "Long Live Death!"

Document 8, Neville Chamberlain, "In Search of Peace"

Wednesday, July 21**War, Collaboration, Resistance, and Liberation, 1940-1945.**

Felix Gilbert and David C. Large, The End of the European Era, Part II, Chapter 8

Robert Paxton, The Anatomy of Fascism, chapter 6

Document 9, The Fall of France and the Vichy Regime

Document 10, General de Gaulle, (a) from his memoirs, and (b) at the Liberation of Paris, 1944

Document 11, André Malraux, "When the French Lived in Darkness"

Monday, July 26.

Reconstruction and Renaissance, 1945-2000.

Felix Gilbert and David C. Large, The End of the European Era, Part III, Chapters 9-14, OR

Tony Judt, Postwar, Parts One and Two

Document 12, Aneurin Bevan, "A National Health Service"

Document 13, The Labour Party, "Let Us Face the Future"

Document 14, Speeches by Margaret Thatcher

Documents 15, Charles de Gaulle on Greatness, and speeches from 1946, 1958, and 1961

Document 16, Inaugural address by François Mitterrand, 1981

Wednesday, July 28

Eastern Europe: The Long Collapse of Communism

Tony Judt, Postwar, Part Three, OR

Felix Gilbert and David C. Large, The End of the European Era Part III, Chapters 15-17

Document 16, Mikhail Gorbachev, "Glasnost and Perestroika"

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