HIEU 117A Greece and the Balkans in the Age of Nationalism, 1683-1914

Time: Tuesday and Thursday: 12:30 - 1:50
Room: WLH 2111

Final Exam: Friday, December 10:
11:30-2:30

Professor Thomas W. Gallant, H & SS 4108
Office Hours: Tuesday & Thursday, 10:30 -12:00

This course explores the history of Greece within the context of the Balkans and the Ottoman Empire during the period of nation-state building, from the defeat of the Ottoman Empire during the Ottoman-Holy League War (1683-1699) until World War I. Among the topics examine are: the socio-political system of the Ottoman War, the development of Greek and Balkan nationalisms, the wars of Independence, state and nation building, the Eastern Question, the conflicts between the Balkan states, and the

Grade Breakdown:

Class Participation................................................................................................................10%
Midterm Examination .............................................................................................40%
Final Examination .....................................................................................................50%

- Participation will be based on attendance, which I will record randomly five times during the course of the quarter. You will not be penalized for an absence if it is excused. For an excused absence, you must inform me in writing at least one day in advance stating why you will be unable to attend class.

- The midterm and the final examinations will have the same format. There will three sections: identifications, multiple choice, and essay. The final is cumulative.

Course Materials

Course Schedule

2. September 28: Topic 2
3. September 30: Topic 2
4. October 5: Topic 3
5. October 7: Topic 4
6. October 12: Topic 4
7. October 14: Topic 5
8. October 19: Topic 6
9. October 21: Topic 6
10. October 26: Midterm
11. October 28: Topic 7
12. November 2: Topic 7
13. November 9: Topic 8
14. November 11: No Class- Veterans’ Day
15. November 16: Topic 9
16. November 18: Topic 10
17. November 23: No Class- Thanksgiving
18. November 25: Topic 11
19. November 30: Topic 12
20. December 2: Topic 12
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Topic 1. Natural Environment

Topic 2. Crossroads of Empire, 1683-1800

Topic 3. The Balkan Enlightenment and the Origins of Greek Nationalism
1. Gallant, MG, 9-16.


Topic 5. Erecting a State, 1832-1864.
1. Gallant, MG, 29-44.

Topic 6. The Age of Harilaos Trikoupis

Topic 7. Irredentism, the Eastern Question, and Balkan Nationalism, 1848-1909
2. Basil C. Gounaris, "Social Cleavages and National

Topic 8. Building a Nation: Culture, Literature, and Identity
2. Gallant, ED, 15-74.
3. Pavlos Kalligas, Thanos Vlekas (relevant to Topic 9 & 10 as well)

2. Gallant, ED, 75-174.

Topic 10. Urbanization and City Life

Topic 11: Greeks outside the Kingdom during the 19th Century-early 20th: the Ionian Islands, Asia Minor, Egypt and Russia

Topic 12. Despair & Hope, 1900-1913