HIGR 231B: Research Seminar in Modern European History

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Course Description: The major purpose of this seminar is the completion of the research essays that were planned and prepared in the Winter Quarter. We will discuss projects and drafts in class, and we will also devote extensive attention to the process of researching and writing as such. In addition, we will discuss possible venues of publication and dissemination of your papers (conference papers, articles, dissertation chapters etc)

Course Requirement: Completion of HIGR 231A, attendance, participation, completion of a major research paper of app. 25 pages.

Course Schedule:

Week 1: April 1: Where Things Are: Update on Research Projects

Week 2: April 8: Discussion of Paper Outlines

Week 3: April 15: Writing  
Peter Elbow, Writing With Power. Techniques for Mastering the Writing Process (available on Amazon or Kindle)

Week 4: April 22: Individual Consultations

Week 5: April 29: Peer Review of Drafts

Paper 1: Commentator
Paper 2: Commentator
Paper 3: Commentators

Week 6: May 6: Peer Review of Drafts

Paper 4: Commentator:
Paper 5: Commentator
Paper 6: Commentator
Paper 7: Commentator

Week 7: May 13: Individual Consultations

Week 8: May 20: Conference Papers and Abstracts

Week 9: May 27: Where to go from here? Dissertation/Article Proposals

Week 10: June 3: Papers Due