HITO 192
Senior Seminar
The German Resistance against Nazism

Instructor: Frank Biess
Mo 3.00-3.50 pm
HSS 5086

Course Description:
This seminar examines the varieties of resistance to Nazi Germany. It will also provide a more general introduction into historical research and historical analysis.

Course Requirements:
Attendance and active participation. All readings/film viewings are to be completed before class. Readings are accessible on e-reserve (password: fb192).

Course Schedule and Readings:

March 30: Introduction

April 6: What is the meaning of “resistance”?


April 13: Individual Resistance: The Case of Georg Elser


April 20: Church Resistance: The Sermons of Bishop Graf von Galen


Third Sermon by Bishop Graf von Galen, August 3, 1941
http://www.priestsforlife.org/preaching/vongalen41-08-03.htm

April 27: Student Resistance: Sophie Scholl and The White Rose

The Leaflets of the White Rose (1942-43)
http://www.holocaustresearchproject.org/revolt/wrleaflets.html

Film: The Last Days of Sophie Scholl

May 4: Youth Resistance: The Swing Youth

Detlev Peukert, Inside Nazi Germany, Conformity, Opposition, and Racism in Everyday Life, 145-174

May 11: Jewish Resistance

May 18: **Communist Resistance:**

TBA

June 2: **Military Resistance: The Conspiracy of July 20th, 1944**

20th July personalities

Film: *Operation Valkyrie*