

Department of HISTORY



GRADUATE COURSE DESCRIPTIONS 2007-2008

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***DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY
GRADUATE COURSE OFFERINGS
2007-2008***

FALL 2007

HISTORY OF AFRICA

HIAF 261. Special Topics in African History

Instructor: J. Prestholdt

This colloquium is intended for students with sufficient background in African history. Topics, which vary from year to year, will include traditional political, economic, and religious systems, and theory and practice of indirect rule, decolonization, African socialism, and pan-Africanism.

HISTORY OF EAST ASIA

HIGR 210. Historical Scholarship on Modern Chinese History

Instructor: P. Pickowicz

This course will introduce students to the monographic literature and the main historiographic controversies of modern Chinese history.

HIGR 211. Historical Scholarship on Modern Japanese History

Instructor: T. Fujitani

The purpose of this seminar is to introduce graduate level students to the major problems, paradigms, and literature in the field of modern Japanese history. Readings are arranged topically and will continue through the year. Students may choose to take one or more quarters of the sequence. Professor Tanaka will teach the second and third quarters.

HISTORY OF EUROPE

HIEU 263. Special Topics in Medieval History

Instructor: N. Caciola

Intensive study of special problems or periods in the history of medieval Europe. Topics vary from year to year, and students may therefore repeat the course for credit.

HIEU 274. The Holocaust: A Psychological Approach

Instructor: J. Hughes

An examination of how traditional moral concerns and human compassion came to be abandoned and how the mass murder of the Jews was organized and carried out. The focus of this course will be on the perpetrators. Requirements will vary for M.A. and Ph.D. students. Graduate students are required to submit a more substantial piece of work.

HIGR 200. History and Social Theory

Instructor: D. Luft

This is a one-quarter colloquium, designed for graduate students in modern history. The readings will emphasize developments in historical thinking over the past two centuries, particularly as these ideas influenced professional work. The course includes some major figures in social theory such as Marx and Weber, and addresses issues raised by postmodernism.

HIGR 230A. Research Seminar in Early Modern Europe

Instructor: D. Hertz

Selected topics in the period from the sixteenth century through the early nineteenth, with an emphasis on the theory and practice of socio-economic history. An IP grade will be awarded at the end of the first quarter. Final grade will not be given until the end of the second quarter.

During the fall and winter quarters of 2007 and 2008, the seminar will focus on the rise and fall of the Ottoman, Hapsburg, German, French, Dutch, Russian and English empires, and the rise of nation states during the nineteenth and twentieth century. Prerequisite: 230A is a prerequisite for 230B.

HISTORY OF LATIN AMERICA

HILA 267. Scholarship on Latin American History in the Colonial Period

Instructor: E. Van Young

Introduction to the historiography on Latin America for the colonial period from Spanish and Portuguese conquests to the Wars of Independence. Requirements will vary for undergraduate, M.S., and Ph.D. students. Graduate students are required to submit an additional research paper.

HIGR 248A. Research Seminar in Latin America, National Period

Instructor: M. Monteon

A two-quarter course involving readings and research; the first quarter is devoted to the nineteenth and the second quarter to the twentieth century. Students are expected to compose a paper based on original research that is due in the second quarter. An IP grade will be awarded at the end of the first quarter. Final grade will not be given until the end of the second quarter. Reading knowledge of Spanish and/or Portuguese is helpful but not required.

HISTORY OF THE NEAR EAST

HINE 253A. Introduction to Akkadian Language and Mesopotamian Culture

Instructor: W. Propp

Students study cuneiform script and elements of Babylonian-Assyrian grammar, as well as the history of Ancient Mesopotamia.

HINE 261. Seminar in the Hebrew Bible

Instructor: D. Freedman

Systematic reading and rendering of the books of the Hebrew Bible in order. Each time the class is taught, we will look at a different book. Adequate knowledge of Biblical Hebrew is required. Graduate students will have to write an extra paper or exam.

HINE 286. Special Topics in Middle Eastern History

Instructor: M. Provence

Focused study of historical roots of contemporary problems in the Middle East: Islamic modernism and Islamist movements; contacts with the West; ethnic and religious minorities; role of the military; economic resources and development.

HISTORY OF SCIENCE

HIGR 238. Introduction to Science Studies (Cross-listed as Communication 225A, Philosophy 209A, and Sociology 255A.)

Instructor: B. Westman

Study and discussion of classic work in history of science, sociology of science and philosophy of science, and of work that attempts to develop a unified science studies approach. Required for all students in the Science Studies Program. Prerequisite: enrollment in Science Studies Program.

HIGR 240. Colloquium in Science Studies (Cross-listed as Communication 225C, Philosophy 209C, and Sociology 255C.)

Instructor: S. Epstein

A forum for the presentation and discussion of research in progress in science studies, by graduate students, faculty, and visitors. Required for all students in the Science Studies Program. May be repeated as course content changes annually. Prerequisite: enrollment in the Science Studies Program.

HISTORY OF UNITED STATES

HIUS 281 Topics 20th Century: Rise and Decline of American Empire

Instructor: D. Widener

American history reveals repeated attempts to project American power beyond its (expanding) borders. American history reveals both expansion and debate regarding the merits of this expansion. Our course will offer a series of critical perspectives on American expansionism, tracing both domestic and international effects and views.

HIUS 287. Topics Social Movements in the US (Colloquium)

Instructor: L. Alvarez

This course examines social movements in the United States since World War II. Special attention is paid to the role of race and culture in social movements and the ways U.S.-based social movements intersect with those elsewhere in the Americas.

HIGR 265A. Historical Scholarship on American History

Instructor: M. Hanna

A three-quarter sequence of readings and discussions on the bibliographical and monographic literature of American history from the colonial period to the present. Taught by different members of the staff each quarter, the course is required of all beginning graduate students in American history

WINTER 2008

HISTORY OF EAST ASIA

HIEA 262. History of Women in China

Instructor: W. Lu

This course concerns women in Chinese history in Imperial times. This course will focus on women's changing roles in the family, society, and culture. Topics will vary from year to year. Requirements will vary for

undergraduate, M.A., and Ph.D. students. Prerequisite: upper-division standing.

HIEA 263. Cinema & Soc. of 20th Century China (Colloquium)

Instructor: P. Pickowicz

This colloquium will explore the relationship between cinema and society in 20th Century China. The emphasis will be on the social, political, and cultural impact of filmmaking. The specific period under examination (1930's, 1940's, post-1949) may vary each quarter. Requirements will vary for undergraduate, M.A. and Ph.D. students. Graduate students may be expected to submit a more substantial piece of work.

HIGR 211. Historical Scholarship on Modern Japanese History

Instructor: S. Tanaka

The purpose of this seminar is to introduce graduate level students to the major problems, paradigms, and literature in the field of modern Japanese history. Readings are arranged topically and will continue through the year. Students may choose to take one or more quarters of the sequence.

HIGR 215A. Research Seminar in Modern Chinese History

Instructor: J. Esherick

A two-quarter research seminar in Chinese history. A paper, based on original research, will be due in the second quarter. Seminar topics will vary. Reading knowledge of Chinese is expected. An IP grade will be awarded at the end of the first quarter. Final grade will not be given until the end of the second quarter. Prerequisite: 215A is a prerequisite for 215B.

HISTORY OF EUROPE

HIEU 271 Special Topics/20th Century Euro: The Image of Hitler in Historiography (colloquium)

Instructor: A. Owzar

This seminar will provide a survey of the political structures of National Socialism as well as discuss different interpretations in historiography. Of central concern is the attention historians have paid to the role of Adolf Hitler. Students should learn to arrive at an independent critical assessment of historiographical interpretations.

HIEU 271. Special Topics in Twentieth-Century Euro: The Holocaust as Public History

Instructor: D. Hertz

This course alternates with HIEU 170. Topics will vary from year to year. Prerequisite: background in European history.

HIGR 221. Historical Scholarship on European History, 1715–1850

Instructor: C. Truant

Selected topics in European history from the early modern to the modern era. Readings and discussions focus on issues of methodology and interpretation. Required for all beginning European history graduate students.

HIGR 230B. Research Seminar in Early Modern Europe

Instructor: D. Hertz

Selected topics in the period from the sixteenth century through the early nineteenth, with an emphasis on the theory and practice of socio-economic history. An IP grade will be awarded at the end of the first quarter. Final grade will not be given until the end of the second quarter.

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HISTORY OF LATIN AMERICA

HILA 268. Scholar/Latin American 19th Century

Instructor: M. Monteon

Introduction to the historiography on Latin America for the nineteenth century: world economy, nation-state building, agrarian processes, incipient industrialization, political and cultural thought, and social structure.

Requirements will vary for undergraduate, M.A., and Ph.D. students.

Graduate students are required to submit an additional research paper..

HISTORY OF THE NEAR EAST

HINE 253B. Akkadian Language and Mesopotamian Culture

Instructor: W. Propp

Student begin to read and analyze ancient Mesopotamian texts from a variety of genres.

HINE 261. Seminar in the Hebrew Bible

Instructor: D. Freedman

Systematic reading and rendering of the books of the Hebrew Bible in order. Each time the class is taught, we will look at a different book. Adequate knowledge of Biblical Hebrew is required. Graduate students will have to write an extra paper or exam.

HISTORY OF SCIENCE

HISC 266. The Galileo Affair

Instructor: R. Westman

Galileo's condemnation by the Catholic Church in 1633 is a well-known but misunderstood episode. Was Galileo punished for holding dangerous scientific views? Personal arrogance? Disobedience? Religious transgressions? Readings in original sources, recent historical

interpretations. Graduate students will be expected to submit a more substantial piece of work.

HIGR 240. Colloquium in Science Studies (Cross-listed as Communication 225C, Philosophy 209C, and Sociology 255C.)

Instructor: S. Epstein

A forum for the presentation and discussion of research in progress in science studies, by graduate students, faculty, and visitors. Required for all students in the Science Studies Program. May be repeated as course content changes annually. Prerequisite: enrollment in the Science Studies Program.

HIGR 241. Advanced Approaches to Science Studies (Cross-listed as COGR 225D, PHIL 209D, SOCG 255D.)

Instructor: D. Serlin

Focus on recent literature in the history, philosophy, and sociology of science, technology, and medicine. Required of all students in the Science Studies Program. Prerequisites: HIGR 238 is a prerequisite for HIGR 241; enrollment in Science Studies Program or instructor's permission.

HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES

HIGR 205. Feminist Historical Studies

Instructor: R. Plant

An introduction to feminist historical studies, this course is designed for interested graduate students from all history field groups. Graduate students from other disciplines are also encouraged to participate. The course will provide students a rigorous training in women's history, in the feminist theories that undergird that scholarship, and in the emergent field of gender analysis. The particular content of the course will change from year to year, but each course will include theoretical texts, historical case studies, and primary sources. Readings will be drawn from different times and places. This course is strongly recommended for those preparing minor fields in women's history. The course can be repeated twice for credit.

HIGR 265B. Historical Scholarship on American History

Instructor: R. Klein

A three-quarter sequence of readings and discussions on the bibliographical and monographic literature of American history from the colonial period to the present. Taught by different members of the staff each quarter, the course is required of all beginning graduate students in American history.

HIGR 267A. Research Seminar in United States History

Instructor: N. Shah

Readings and discussion in selected areas of American history for advanced graduate students. An IP (in progress) grade will be awarded the first quarter. The second quarter will be devoted to the presentation, discussion, and evaluation of work in progress. A final grade will be awarded at the end of the second quarter. Prerequisite: 267A is a prerequisite for 267B.

SPRING 2008

HISTORY OF EAST ASIA

HIEA 271 Society and Culture in Pre Modern China

Instructor: W. Lu

Explores premodern Chinese society and culture through the reading and discussion of classics and masterpieces in history. Examines how values and ideas were represented in the texts and how they differed, developed, or shifted over time. Requirements will vary for undergraduate, M.A., and Ph.D. students. Graduate students are required to submit an additional paper..

HIGR 207. Nationalism, Colonialism, and Race

Instructor: T. Fujitani

A transdisciplinary and comparative course on the interplay of nationalism, colonialism, and race (as well as class and gender/sexuality) in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. Texts will include classics by authors such as Frantz Fanon, as well as theoretically informed newer works that analyze a variety of national and colonial conditions historically

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HISTORY OF EUROPE

HIEU 278. Soviet History

Instructor: R. Edelman

Topics will vary from year to year. This will be a readings course in English on aspects of Soviet History. For Spring 2007, the course will be a joint seminar with UCLA and UCSB, held together by distance learning Graduate students are required to submit a more substantial paper.

HIGR 222. Historical Scholarship on European History, since 1850

Instructor: P. Patterson

Critical evaluation of selected topics in the period of modern Europe from the mid-nineteenth century to the present. Required for all beginning European history graduate students.

HISTORY OF LATIN AMERICA

HIGR 248B. Research Seminar in Latin America, National Period

Instructor: M. Monteon

A two-quarter course involving readings and research; the first quarter is devoted to the nineteenth and the second quarter to the twentieth century. Students are expected to compose a paper based on original research that is due in the second quarter. An IP grade will be awarded at the end of the first quarter. Final grade will not be given until the end of the second quarter. Reading knowledge of Spanish and/or Portuguese is helpful but not required.

HILA 269. Historical Scholarship on Latin American 20th Century

Instructor: E. Meade

Introduction to the historiography on Latin America for the twentieth century: agrarian reforms, unionization, industrialization by import substitution, the political left, social development, and international relations. Requirements will vary for undergraduate, M.A., and Ph.D. students. Graduate students are required to submit an additional research paper.

HISTORY OF NEAR EAST

HINE 253C Akkadian Language & Mesopotamian Culture (+)

Instructor: W. Propp

Continued study of Mesopotamia literature and history.

HINE 260. Special Topics in the Bible & Ancient Near East:

Ancient Historiography: The Book of Genesis

Instructor: D. Miano

This course examines the biblical book of Genesis in an effort to understand better the form and function of ancient historiographic texts, comparative historiography of the ancient world, methodological problems related to employing ancient historiographic texts for modern historical reconstruction, as well as various themes and tropes in biblical and cognate historiography. Comparative material will be brought to bear on the understanding of the historiographic texts of the Bible.

HINE 270. Special Topics/ Jewish History

Instructor: D. Goodblatt

This course studies a period or theme in Jewish history. Topics will vary from year to year.

HINE 286. Topics of Middle Eastern History

Instructor: H. Kayali

Focused study of historical roots of contemporary problems in the Middle East: Islamic modernism and Islamist movements; contacts with the West; ethnic and religious minorities; role of the military; economic resources and development. Department stamp and permission of instructor.

HISTORY OF SCIENCE

HISC 270. Topics in the History of Science & Technology

Instructor: T. Golan

This seminar explores topics at the interface of science, technology, and society, ranging from the seventeenth century to the twentieth. Requirements

will vary for undergraduate, M.A., and Ph.D. students. Graduate students are required to submit an additional paper.

HISC 274. Topics in the History of Science & Technology

Instructor: C. Gere

From the beginnings of brain anatomy in the 1660s to the current rage for functional magnetic resonance imaging studies, this class investigates philosophical, ethical and cultural dimensions of the quest to localize psychological phenomena in the physical brain. Graduate Students are required to submit an additional paper.

HIGR 239. Seminar in Science Studies (Cross-listed as Communication 225B, Philosophy 209B, and Sociology 255B.)

Instructor: A. Lakoff and C. Mukerji

Study and discussion of selected topics in the science studies field. Required for all students in the Science Studies Program. May be repeated as course content changes annually. Prerequisite: enrollment in Science Studies Program.

HIGR 240. Colloquium in Science Studies (Cross-listed as Communication 225C, Philosophy 209C, and Sociology 255C.)

Instructor: S. Epstein

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HIGR 242. Topics in the History of Earth and Life Science

Instructor: N. Oreskes

Intensive Study of specific problems in the history of the life sciences and earth sciences, ranging in period from the Renaissance to the 21st century. May be repeated for credit as topics will vary annually.

HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES

HIUS 269. American Legal & Constitutional History

Instructor: M. Parrish

A reading and discussion course on topics that vary from year to year, including American federalism, the history of civil liberties, and the Supreme Court.

HIUS 288. Topics/Culture and Politics: Race, Religion and Nation

Instructor: R. Jordan

Colloquium on select topics in culture and politics in the United States. Topics will vary from quarter to quarter. Requirements will vary for undergraduate, M.A, and Ph.D. students. Graduate students will be required to submit a more substantial piece of work.

HIGR 265C. Historical Scholarship on American History

Instructor: D. Gutierrez

A three-quarter sequence of readings and discussions on the bibliographical and monographic literature of American history from the colonial period to the present. Taught by different members of the staff each quarter, the course is required of all beginning graduate students in American history.

HIGR 267B. Research Seminar in United States History

Instructor: N. Shah

Readings and discussion in selected areas of American history for advanced graduate students. An IP (in progress) grade will be awarded the first quarter. The second quarter will be devoted to the presentation, discussion, and evaluation of work in progress. A final grade will be awarded at the end of the second quarter. Prerequisite: 267A is a prerequisite for 267B.