

RLGN/HSTY 254: The Holocaust

SYLLABUS


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Textbooks (required)

Hitler and Nazi Germany: A History (6th ed), Jackson Spielvogel and David Redles (Prentice Hall) = HNG


A History of the Holocaust: From Ideology to Annihilation (4th ed), Rita S. Botwinick (Prentice Hall) = HH

Assignment	Due Date	Grade Percentage
First Paper - History of Jewish Community	Feb. 5	15%
Second Paper- The Holocaust	Feb. 24	20%
Third Paper - Memory in Your Country	April 7	20%
Final Paper - Holocaust Impact Today	April 29	20%
Class Participation	-	25%

Date	Topic	Description	Reading
Introduction and Background			
Jan 11-15	Introduction: Holocaust Memory and Reality 	A brief overview of World War II, the Holocaust and the Aftermath of the Nazi Regime.	HH, Chap. 7




<p>Jan 18-22</p>	<p>The Jewish community in Europe to 1930</p> 	<p>History of the Jews and the Jewish Communities in Europe up to the Nazis</p>	<p><u>HH</u>, Chaps. 1,2</p>
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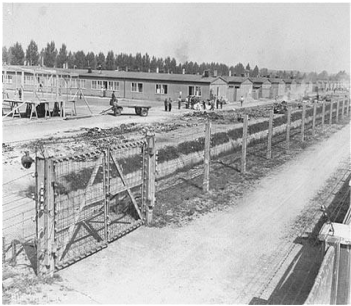
The Case of Germany

<p>Jan 25 – 29</p>	<p>The Creation of Modern Germany</p> 	<p>The Creation of Modern Germany in the 19th Century and the Question of German Identity</p>	<p><u>HH</u>, Chap. 6 <u>HNG</u>, Chap.1</p>
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<p>February 1-5</p> <p>Paper 1 due – February 3</p>	<p>World War I and its Aftermath</p> 	<p>Germany During World War I, the Treaty of Versailles, and the Weimar Republic</p>	<p><u>HNG</u>, Chaps 2 <u>HH</u>, Chap. 3</p>
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The Nazi Party

Feb 8-12	The Rise of Adolf Hitler and the Nazi Party 	Hitler and the Ideological and Structural Foundations of the Nazi Party	<u>HH</u> , Chap.4 <u>HNG</u> , Chap.3
Feb15-19	Nazi Germany 	Life In Germany as the Nazi Party took over the Government and its Institutions.	<u>HNG</u> , Chap. 4,6
Feb22-26 Paper II due – February 24	World War II 	The Beginning, Expansion and Collapse of the Third Reich	<u>HNG</u> , Chap. 7, 8
The Holocaust			
March 1-5	In the West	The Conquered Countries in Western Europe and the Fate of their Jewish Communities.	<u>HH</u> , Chap. 8

			
March 8-12			
March 15-19	<p>In the East</p> 	The Conquered Countries in Eastern Europe and the Fate of their Jewish Communities; the Einsatzgruppen.	<u>HH</u> , Chap. 9 <u>HNG</u> , Chap. 9
March 22-26	<p>The Camp System</p> 	The Various Types of Nazi Camps -- Prison, Concentration, Labor, Death – and the Administrative Apparatus behind them.	
Mar. 29-Apr.2	Resistance and Refugees	Attempts to Resist and the Flee; the Politics of Aiding Refugees.	<u>HH</u> , Chaps. 10, 11



The Holocaust in Memory

<p>April 5-9</p> <p>Paper III due -- April 7</p>	<p>The Political and Social Aftermath</p> 	<p>What Does the Nazi Experience Tell us about Society , Economics and Politics in the Twentieth Century?</p>	<p><u>HH</u>, Chap.5, 12</p>
<p>April 12-16</p>	<p>Philosophical and Theological</p>  <p>Aftermath</p>	<p>Discussion of Some of the Philosophical and Theological (Jewish and Christian) Responses to the Nazi Rule.</p>	<p><u>HNG</u>, Chap.10</p>
<p>April 19-26</p>	<p>Memory and Memorials</p>	<p>How the Holocaust is Remembered and Used today. A look at Different Modes of Memorial and Memory Across Europe, Israel and North America</p>	<p><u>HNG</u>, Chapter 5</p>



April 29
@ noon

Final Paper Due