

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON
Department of History
Semester III 1988-89

SUMMER SESSION EIGHT WEEK SESSION

June 19 - August 9

History 356

Europe Between the Wars 1919-1939

Professor Robert Koehl

(S-I) 3 credits 6:30-9:00 pm MW

This course will be taught at the intermediate level. It will assume an elementary knowledge of twentieth century European history such as that provided by History 120, Europe and the Modern World. The course is, however, designed for non-majors as well as for majors interested in the domestic history of the period. International relations will not receive emphasis, although they will be important for understanding such phenomena as fascism and communism, the fluctuations in economic life and in the social class system. Ideology and social movements will be in the forefront of discussion as will the growth of totalitarian systems.

GRADING, EXAMINATIONS, ETC.

Undergraduates will write two examinations, each worth 50%. Second exam covers whole course. Examinations include map questions and short essays. Graduate students write final examination at 50% and an essay-review of 3000 words dealing with three related books (other than required reading) at 50%. Titles should be approved no later than fourth week and essay review is due July 26.

REQUIRED READINGS

Allen, William The Nazi Seizure of Power
Hughes, H. S. Contemporary Europe, 5th edition
Kennan, George F. Russia and the West Under Lenin and Stalin
Lafore, Laurence The End of Glory (USE RESERVE ROOM COPIES)
Payne, Stanley G. Fascism: Comparison and Definition
Sontag, Raymond A Broken World

COURSE OUTLINE

WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS

June 19	Organization; Introduction	Hughes, Chs. I-II
21	The Myth of a Golden Age	Sontag, Chs. I-V; Payne, pp. 22-41 Lafore, Ch. I
26	How the War Changed Europe	Hughes, Chs. III-IV
28	Wars and Revolution	Sontag, Chs. VII-VIII Kennan, Chs. I-VIII
July 3	Political Soldiering	Hughes, Chs. VII-IX; Lafore, Ch. II
5	Interim Solutions	Sontag, IX-X; Kennan, IX-XVI: Payne, pp. 3-21
10	A House Built on Sand	Hughes, VII-IX; Lafore III
12	The Bottom Drops Out (World Depression)	Kennan, Chs. XVII-XIX; Payne, pp. 42-84
17	MID-TERM EXAMINATION: <u>GRADUATE BOOK TITLES DUE FOR APPROVAL</u>	Hughes, Chs. X-XI Allen, Part I
19	Totalitarianism	Lafore, Ch. IV
24	Left Liberalism	Sontag, Ch. XI
26	Appeasement <u>GRADUATE ESSAY REVIEW DUE</u>	Allen, Part II Lafore, Chs. V-VI
31	Hitler's War Aims	Hughes, Ch. XII
Aug. 2	International Communism	Sontag, Ch. XII; Kennan Chs. XX-XXI Lafore, Ch. VII; Payne, pp.84-138
7	International Fascism	Sontag, Ch. XIII; Lafore, Ch. VIII
9	FINAL EXAMINATION	