

Yeshiva College History Courses • Fall 2020

The Emergence of Europe (HIS 1101-231). Will Stenhouse

M/W 3:00-4:15 (required for majors). Introduction to the history of Europe from the ancient Greeks to the seventeenth century, analyzing a range of source material including plays, biographies, letters, and coins.

The European Enlightenment (HIS 2127H-341). Jeffrey Freedman

T/Th 4:30-5:45 (satisfies CUOT requirement). Examines the 18th-century intellectual movement known as The Enlightenment and the controversies surrounding its legacies. Topics include the relation of the Enlightenment to the origins of modern science, colonialism, women, and the emancipation of the Jews.

Media Revolutions: From Scroll to Screen (HIS 2909-331). Jeffrey Freedman

T/Th 3:00-4:15 (satisfies CUOT requirement). A comparative analysis of some of the most consequential media revolutions of the last two millennia: the transition from scroll to codex in late antiquity; the invention of the printing press in the mid-15th century; the spread of mass circulation daily newspapers in the mid-19th century; the beginning of wireless radio broadcasting in the 1920s; and the Internet and social media of today.

The Holocaust (HIS 2141-331). Joshua Zimmerman

T/Th 3:00-4:15. Fate of European Jewry between 1933 and 1945. Topics include the rise of the Jewish question in 19th-century Europe; World War I and its consequences; causes of the Weimar Republic's collapse; Nazi seizure of power; Nazi Jewish policies; ghettoization in Nazi Europe; conception and implementation of the Nazi Final Solution; life in the ghettos; the Judenrat; and Jewish resistance.

Immigrant Nations: US and Israel (HIS 2913H-621). Hadassa Kosak

Fri 10:00-12:30 (satisfies COWC requirement). A comparative survey of immigrant, ethnic, and racial experience in the 20th and 21st centuries with particular attention to patterns of similarities and differences of the diverse groups within each society.

Legal History (HIS 2601-361). Doug Burgess

T/Th 6:45-8 (satisfies CUOT requirement). Law is the matrix through which society operates, from the earliest city-states to the nations of today. This course examines in broad terms the development of legal systems, the relationship of subject/citizen and the state, criminality, and domestic vs. international justice from the historical perspective.

American Presidents (HIS 2220-341). Doug Burgess

T/Th 4:30-5:45 (satisfies CUOT requirement). Examines the development and evolution of the American Presidency. Beginning as an experiment in enlightened government, the office of the executive gradually expanded to meet new and greater challenges, and was irrevocably shaped by the men who occupied it.