History 2037 Europe since 1914 Syllabus

Week 1:

August 22: Introduction

August 24: Origins of World War I

August 26: Class Discussion

Read: Paxton, chapters 1-2

Week 2:

August 29: World War I on the Continent August 31: Britain during World War I

September 2: Class discussion

Read: Paxton, chapters 3-4 Remarque, 1st half

Week 3:

September 5: Class Holiday

September 7: European Socialism

September 9: Class Discussion

Read: Paxton, chapter 5

Finish Remarque

Week 4:

September 12: Easter Rebellion in Ireland

September 14: The Russian Revolution

September 16: Class discussion

Read: Paxton, chapters 6-8

Week 5:

September 19: Postwar Europe

September 21: General Strike in Britain

September 23: Class discussion

Read: Paxton, chapters 9-10

Week 6:

September 26: Chaos in Germany September 28: European Fascism

September 30: Class discussion

Read: Paxton, chapters 11-12

Week 7:

October 3: Fascist Italy
October 5: Class discussion
October 7: Review for Exam

Read: Paxton, chapter 13

Week 8:

October 10: Midterm Examination

October 12: Stalin's Russia
October 14: Class discussion

Read: All of Orwell

Week 9:

October 17: Student Recess
October 19: Rise of Hitler
October 21: Civil War in Spain

Read: Paxton, chapters 14-15

Week 10:

October 24: Nazi Germany
October 26: The Holocaust
October 28: Class discussion

Read: 1st half of Levi

Week 11:

October 31: World War II

November 2: Britain during World War II

November 4: Class discussion

Read: Paxton, chapter 16 2nd half of Levi

Week 12:

November 7: Rise of the European welfare state

November 9: Class discussion

November 11: Cold War

Read: Paxton, chapters 17-19 Term Paper due on Friday

Week 13:

November 14: Class discussion November 16: The "New Left"

November 18: "Socialism with a Human Face"

Read: Paxton, chapters 20-23

Week 14:

November 21: Class discussion

November 23: Dissolution of the Soviet Bloc

November 25: Holiday

Week 15:

November 28: Thatcherism in Britain November 30: Class discussion December 1: Where is Europe now?

Read: Finish Paxton

Week 16:

December 5: Class discussion

December 7: No class

December 9: Review of 2nd half of semester

Texts:

Robert Paxton: Europe in the Twentieth Century
E.M. Remarque All Quiet on the Western Front

George Orwell The Road to Wigan Pier Primo Levi Survival in Auschwitz

Grading: Midterm = 32%

Essay = 32% Final = 32%

Class participation = 4%

Students who take this course will be expected to adhere scrupulously to the Georgia Tech honor code.

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