COURSE NO. 356

COURSE TITLE Europe between the Wars 1919-1939

INSTRUCTOR Koehl

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course will be taught at the intermediate level, viz., will assume elementary knowledge of twentieth century European history such as that provided by History 120, Europe and the Modern World. It is designed for non-majors, however, as well as for majors who wish to concentrate on the domestic history of Europe 1919-1939. International relations will not receive emphasis, although they will receive attention in explaining domestic processes such as communism and fascism, the fluctuations in the economic life and social class system. Ideology and social movements will be in the forefront of discussion, as well as the growth of totalitarian systems.

LECTURES

Combined lecture and discussion method. No separate sections. There will be specific sessions devoted to discussion, as well as review sessions before the two exams.

WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS and EXAMINATIONS

Two-hour mid-term and two-hour final each cover half the course; 50% each for undergrads. Graduate students also write critical review of three related books (33%); exams for grad students therefore count 67% (Undergrads registered for honors can also take this option.)

GRADING SYSTEM

Conventional A-F

REQUIRED READINGS

G. Allardyce, ed., The Place of Fascism in European History
L. Draper The End of Glory
A. Ulam Stalin: The Man and the Era

Europe 1914-1919 by Benss and Selden is recommended.