

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON
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HISTORY 572

Semester II, 1987-88

UNDERGRADUATE SEMINAR IN FASCISM AND NATIONAL SOCIALISM

This seminar will study fascism and national socialism in Europe between 1918 and 1945, with brief glances at similar phenomena outside Europe. It will be organized in two parts: a readings-and-discussion colloquium in general themes and problems during the first half of the semester, and seminar presentations of individual research reports by students during the second half. Every student will be required to prepare a full-size research paper on a topic of his own choice in consultation with the instructor. The preliminary version will be delivered as an oral report, approximately 25 minutes in length, to the seminar, as indicated above. The final draft of the paper, of at least 20 to 25 pages, will be due May 3.

All students are encouraged to define their own research topics. These may deal with any problem or feature of the history and historiography of European fascism or national socialism, ranging from leadership, organizational and political history to social, economic and cultural issues or international, military, colonial or racial problems. Topics need not be restricted to Italy or Germany, but may deal with similar problems in other countries.

Readings (all paperbacks):

S. G. Payne, Fascism: Comparison and Definition (Wisconsin)

K. D. Bracher, The German Dictatorship (Holt-Rinehart)

A. J. Gregor, Italian Fascism and Developmental Dictatorship (Princeton)

Semester Schedule:	Readings:
January 26 The Vitalist Cultural Revolution: Origins of Fascism and National Socialism	Payne, 3-41 Bracher, 3-49
February 2 The First Fascist and National Socialist Movements	Payne, 42-51 Bracher, 50-91 Gregor, 3-95
February 9 The Italian Fascist Regime	Payne, 68-87 Gregor, 96-334
February 16 The Nazi Seizure of Power	Payne, 51-67 Bracher, 91-214
February 23 A Nazi "Revolution?"	Payne, 88-104 Bracher, 214-469
March 1 "Western" Fascisms	Payne, 105-110; 126-160
March 8 "Eastern" Fascisms	Payne, 110-125; 161-76
March 22 Reports	
March 29 Reports	
April 5 Reports	
April 12 Reports	
April 19 Reports	
April 26 Reports	
May 3 A Theory of Fascism? <u>Papers due</u>	Payne, 177-212

Suggested Reading

Larsen, Stein U.	Who Were the Fascists?
Laqueur, Walter	Fascism: A Reader's Guide
Weber, Eugen	Varieties of Fascism
Nolte, Ernst	Three Faces of Fascism
Turner, Henry A.	Reappraisals of Fascism
Perlmutter, Amos	Modern Authoritarianism
Toland, John	Adolf Hitler
Fest, Joachim	Hitler
Orlow, Dietrich	History of the Nazi Party 2 vols.
Hildebrand, Klaus	Foreign Policy of the Third Reich
Rich, Norman	Hitler's War Aims 2 vols.
Schoenbaum, David	Hitler's Social Revolution
Turner, Henry A.	German Big Business and the Rise of Hitler
Hamilton, Richard	Who Voted for Hitler?
Childers, Thomas	The Nazi Voter
Pool, James and Suzanne	Who Financed Hitler?
Broszat, Martin	The Hitler State
Koehl, Robert	The Black Corps
Cooper, Matthew	The German Army 1933-1945
Jaeckel, Eberhard	Hitler's World View
Kater, Michael	The Nazi Party
Speer, Albert	Infiltration
Lyttelton, Adrian	The Seizure of Power
De Felice, Renzo	Interpretations of Fascism
Deakin, F. W.	The Brutal Friendship
Knox, Macgregor	Mussolini Unleashed
Gregor, A. James	The Ideology of Fascism
Id.	Italian Fascism and Development of Dictatorship
Id.	The Fascist Persuasion in Radical Politics
De Grand, Alexander	Italian Fascism in Comparative Perspective