

THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN  
Department of History

Semester II Year 1986-87

<u>COURSE NO.</u>	<u>COURSE TITLE</u>	<u>INSTRUCTOR</u>
415	History of National Socialism 3-cr. Sophomores and above	Mr. Koehl

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Catalogue description: Political, social, cultural and economic factors in the rise of the Hitler movement in Germany after World War I. The structure and ethos of the National Socialist German Workers Party during the Weimar Republic and after January 30, 1933. The impact of national socialism on German political institutions, economy, social structure and culture; and responses to national socialism by Germans and non-Germans. Nazi foreign policy and preparation for war, military doctrine and racist imperialism. Reasons for the defeat and collapse of the Hitler dictatorship; long-term consequences and implications for Germany and other modern or modernizing societies.

There will be three lectures a week, with opportunity for questions and discussion within a relaxed lecture format. There will be two examinations of equal length (approximately two hours) consisting of identifications, a map exercise and one or more essays. Each examination will count 50% of the grade. The first examination will be held Wednesday evening, March 11, 1987 at 7 p.m., location to be announced. The second examination will cover only the part of the course after the mid-term examination. Graduate students and students taking the course for honors will substitute a 10 page term paper for the mid-term; other students may substitute the 10 page term paper for the mid term. All papers must be approved as to topic and bibliography by Professor Koehl by the date of the mid-term.

COURSE SYLLABUS:

All assignments are available on three-hour reserve at Helen White Library. The following books are recommended for purchase because of their extensive use in the course:

Allen, William	The Nazi Seizure of Power (paper)
Bullock, Alan	Hitler (paper)
Hitler, Adolf	Mein Kampf (paper)
Koehl, Robert	The Black Corps
Mosse, George	Nazi Culture (paper)
Orlow, Dietrich	History of the Nazi Party, 1919-33
Rich, Norman	Hitler's War Aims, vol. I (paper)
Weinberg, Gerhard	The Foreign Policy of Hitler's Germany, Vol. II (1937-39)

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Wed.	Jan. 21	Organization	
Fri.	23	German Nationalism	Ralf Dahrendorf, <i>Society &amp; Democracy in Germany</i> , 3-60; Koehl, <i>Black Corps</i> , xii-xxiv.
Mon.	26	Antecedents	Barbara Tuchman, <i>The Proud Tower</i> , 291-347; Howard Becker, <i>German Youth, Bond or Free?</i> 1-105.
Wed.	28	War & Revolution	Adolf Hitler, <i>Mein Kampf</i> , ch. 1-5 of Part I (157-216); A.J. Nicholls, <i>Weimar and the Rise of Hitler</i> , 1-62.
Fri.	30	Humble Beginnings	Dietrich Orlow, <i>History of the Nazi Party, 1919-1933</i> , 1-37; Alan Bullock, <i>Hitler</i> , 64-100.
Mon.	Feb. 2	1923	Orlow, 38-45; Bullock, 100-120.
Wed.	4	Decay & Resurrection	Orlow, 46-75; Bullock, 120-140.
Fri.	6	Political Soldiers	<i>Mein Kampf</i> , ch. 7-9 of Part II (480-553); Koehl, 3-17.
Mon.	9	SA & SS	Koehl, 18-35; James Diehl, <i>Paramilitary Politics in the Weimar Republic</i> , 199-243.
Wed.	11	"The Urban Plan"	Orlow, 76-127; Jeremy Noakes, <i>Conflict and Development in the NSDAP, 1924-1927</i> , 3-36.
Fri.	13	The New Strategy	Orlow, 128-132; Joseph Nyomarky, <i>Charisma and Factionalism in the Nazi Party</i> , 7-141.
Mon.	16	1930	Orlow, 183-198; William Allen, <i>The Nazi Seizure of Power</i> , 35-100.
Wed.	18	SA Revolts	Orlow, 199-220; Koehl, 36-46.
Fri.	20	The SS emerges	Orlow, 221-238; Koehl, 47-59.
Mon.	23	The Elections of 1932	Orlow, 239-308; Allen, 101-138.
Wed.	25	The "Deal" of 1933	Bullock, 187-250; Allen, 141-208.
Fri.	27	1933: Seizure of Power	Bullock, 253-289; Koehl, 60-75.
Mon.	March 2	The Röhm Purge	Bullock, 289-311; Koehl, 75-101.
Wed.	4	Gleichschaltung	Allen, 208-271; K.D. Bracher, <i>The Nazi Dictatorship</i> , 201-236.
Fri.	6	Rearmament	Gerhard Weinberg, <i>The Foreign Policy of Hitler's Germany</i> , vol. I (1933-1936), 159-238.
Mon.	9	Reichsführer SS and Chief of the German Police	Koehl, 102-141; Heinz Hoehne <i>The Order of the Death's Head</i> , 161-225.

Wed. March 11	Gauleiters & Reichsleiters	Albert Speer, Inside the Third Reich, chapters 3-4; 7-9; Orlow, Vol. II (1933-1945), 139-192.
MID-TERM EXAMINATION WEDNESDAY EVENING AT 7 P.M.		
Mon. 23	Nazi Foreign Policy	Weinberg, vol. I. 239-299; Bullock, 312-358.
Wed. 25	"A Combine of Aggression"	Speer, chapters 10-13; Orlow, vol. II, 193-231.
Fri. 27	National Socialist Ideology	Mosse, Nazi Culture, 57-126.
Mon. 30	Youth and Education	Mosse, 127-131; 263-316.
Wed. April 1	Nazi Culture	Mosse, 168-261
Fri. 3	The Birth of the Axis	Weinberg, vol. I, 300-364; Weinberg, vol. II (1937-1939), 167-191.
Mon. 6	The Spanish Civil War	Weinberg, II, 142-166.
Wed. 8	<u>Anschluss</u>	Weinberg, II, 261-312; Norman Rich, Hitler's War Aims, vol. I, 81-101.
Fri. 10	The Munich Pact	Weinberg, II, 415-464; Rich, I, 101-120.
Mon. 13	1939	Weinberg, II, 470-534.
Wed. 15	The Nazi Soviet Pact	Weinberg, II, 535-655.
Fri. 17	NO CLASS	Rich, I, 132-164; Orlow, II, 263-299.
Mon. 20	1940: Blitzkrieg	Rich, I, 165-203; Orlow, II, 299-330.
Wed. 22	1941: Barbarossa	Rich, I, 204-231; Orlow, II, 331-381.
Fri. 24	The Imperial Dream	Koehl, 186-193, 211-222; Orlow, II, 381-410.
Mon. 27	International Fascism	Stanley Payne, Fascism, Comparison and Definition, 105-176.
Wed. 29	"The Final Solution: Genocide"	Koehl, 163-177; Yehudah Bauer, The Holocaust in Historical Perspective, 303-349; Raul Hilberg, The Destruction of the European Jews, 555-600.
Fri. May 1	Intelligence and Espionage TERM PAPERS DUE	Gordon Wright, The Ordeal of Total War, 44-106.
Mon. 4	July 20, 1944	Wright, 144-166; Constantine Fitzgibbon, 20 July, 1944, 137-213.
Wed. 8	Nuremberg and Other Trials	Eugene Davidson, The Trial of the Germans, 1-136; Joe Heydecker, The Nuremberg Trial, 55-184.
Fri. 10	Reassessments	Koehl, 224-247; Orlow, II, 454-492.