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A WELCOME FROM THE CHAIR

Dear History Majors and Minors,

On behalf of the Department, I hope you had a restful break. Some of you walked through some cold and wet weather in Berlin with Dr. Sobisch, Kellie Schwabl and me; we expect you've recovered from an intensive study tour and a bit of jet lag.

Fall 2023 registration is around the corner, and I want to take a moment to alert you to some course options. We're bringing back Trials of the Centuries (Murphy), which will be of particular interest to Law & Society minors, and Health, Medicine, and Society (Kugler) for those pursuing a track in public health. We have a new HS-PO link (Marsilli/Swearingen), our contribution is Modern Latin American History & Culture. We're offering a range of courses at the 3xxx level: Women in Europe since 1500 (Kugler), Japanese History (Purdy), and Chinese History (Purdy). At the 4xxx we'll have a perennial favorite in The Civil War (Kilbride) and a new offering Eastern Europe: Nationalism & Revolution since 1800 (Krukones) that includes a close look at Ukraine. As always, we will offer our fall survey course options and the senior seminar, as well as other links and options to fulfill Core and major/minor requirements.

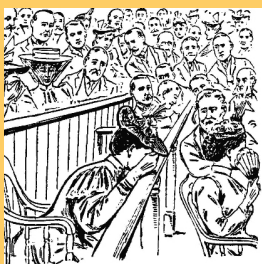
Also, please consider an internship opportunity. We've got many NE Ohio partners who welcome our students as interns, and the experience is a fine way to put your skills to the test and explore possible career tracks relevant to training as a history student. You can even earn 3 cr if you enroll in HS 498. Some internships may include a stipend (those can't be taken for course credit), some involve summer opportunities.

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SPOTLIGHT ON FALL 2023 COURSES

HS 1213: TRIALS OF THE CENTURIES



This Fall, Dr. Murphy will be offering HS 1213: Trials of the Centuries. This course deals with trials that were noteworthy in their day and have remained famous to the present. It includes judicial processes from the ancient world to the twentieth century. They include but are not limited to the trials of Joan of Arc, the "Pazzi Conspiracy" against the Medici of Florence, the Dreyfus Affair in nineteenth-century France, the trial of British soldiers for the Boston Massacre of 1770, and Thurgood Marshall's defense of the "Groveland Boys" in 1949. The course will engage students in examination of how social customs, mores, politics, and economics as well as legal systems influenced their outcome. In particular, the course addresses issues of justice across time and in different places.

HS 4299: EASTERN EUROPE: NATIONALISM AND REVOLUTION SINCE 1800

Dr. Krukones will be offering HS 4299: Eastern Europe: Nationalism and Revolution Since 1800 this fall. This course focuses on the history of Eastern Europe—that is, the lands between Germany and Russia—since 1800. In the last two centuries, the peoples living in this area have fashioned a modern national identity, freed themselves from foreign domination (often more than once), and struggled with the horrors of world war and challenges of independence. The countries receiving attention include Poland and the Baltic republics, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, the Balkans, and Ukraine.



HISTORY CLUB UPDATE:

Join History Club for trivia and the opportunity to meet with your fellow History majors for a free lunch and listen to Dr. Murphy speak on the area of research he is working on. "Good Food and Old Letters: Research on Renaissance and Reform in Italy" will be presented on March 23, 2023 at 12pm in B272 (The History Seminar Room). If you have any questions feel free to reach out to Aaron Harper at aharper25@jcu.edu.

ATTENTION RISING SENIORS! SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY!

The Rev. Howard J. Kerner, S.J., Scholarship Fund was established through the generosity of alumni, friends, and colleagues of Rev. Kerner. It honors the memory of a longtime member of the history department faculty, who served the department from 1948 until 1985. Up to two \$4,200.00 Kerner Scholarships are available each year and will be awarded in the recipients' senior year. The application period is open. All applications are due on March 22, 2023. Details and the application can be found at: <https://jcu.edu/academics/history/kerner-scholarships>

FROM THE CHAIR (CON'T)

We're happy that internships have become more of an interest to our majors and minors; the Irish-American Archive and the Western Reserve Historical Society have been particularly popular, but they are just two of many options. Check out internships at <https://www.jcu.edu/academics/history/internships>

The Department will be a bit smaller next year – Dr. McAndrew will be on research leave in fall semester 2023, and I will be on research leave for the full academic year. Despite our somewhat smaller roster, we are absolutely confident that we will continue to provide you with the course options and advising to help move you confidently through the curriculum and on to graduation.

Finally, I ask you to join me in welcoming Dr. Anne Kugler as the History Department's new chairperson, effective June 1st. The Department is in excellent hands under her trusteeship, she brings a wealth of experience and problem solving to the office. It has been my pleasure working with many of you as chair over the years, and serving the department through two terms as chair. I'll look forward to seeing many of you in class, in the hallways, or back in my new (old) office.

Matt Berg
Department Chair

FACULTY NEWS

DR. MCANDREW



Dr. Malia McAndrew published an article in The Norton Learning Blog on Using Videos to Promote participation in the Classroom. Read the article here: <https://nortonlearningblog.com/archives/2823>

Dr. Hessinger

Dr. Rodney Hessinger will be presenting "Shaking Your Filthy Tail" Religious Rivalry and Shaker Identity in the Early American Republic at the Shaker Historical Society on March 23 at 6pm. There is no charge for attending this event.

'SHAKING YOUR FILTHY TAIL':
RELIGIOUS RIVALRY AND SHAKER
IDENTITY IN THE
EARLY AMERICAN REPUBLIC
with Dr. Rodney Hessinger
Professor of History and Associate Dean of Humanities
and Social Sciences at John Carroll University



MARCH 23
6:00PM-7:30PM

Free, In-Person at the
Shaker Historical Society,
16740 South Park Boulevard,
Shaker Heights, OH 44120

