DESCRIPTION AND THE PURPOSE OF THE COURSE:

This MMW 15 examines major conflicts and transformative events in the twentieth century. It begins with a consideration of the causes and consequences of World War I, and studies the causes of the collapse of liberal democratic and capitalistic order in the 1930s. The post-World War I global sports culture of 1924 Olympics will also provide the connection between changing European identities in connection with religion and colonialism in non-European regions like East Asia. The movie, Chariots of Fire, serves an example of post-war Britain and the inter-war period, and the impact sporting cultures can have with missionary religious practices in countries such as China. The course also provides a framework and a theory for understanding the rise of Communism and Fascism in the context of deepening economic and political crisis of post-war period with a focus on Latin American politics. A study of the outbreak of the Second World War will emphasize both extreme nationalism and aesthetic innovation in the promotion of militaristic ideology, best depicted in Leni Riefenstahl's Triumph of the Will and Rossellini’s Fascist trilogy (1941-1944). The course then moves to address the historical context
of the Cold War, the conflict between U.S., as an emerging superpower, and the Soviet Union. Amid such conflict, the course will also examine the process of decolonization and democratization especially in Latin America, and discuss the collapse of Soviet Communism and the emerging of liberal (or post-liberal) world.

The basic goals of the course are as follow:

1. To acquire basic understanding of twentieth century global history with an especial focus on everyday life and cultural processes.
2. To understand how the everyday and local histories can be connected with global histories with a focus on Latin American history.
3. To gain familiarity with non-European civilizations, in particular the Chinese and Muslim societies.
4. To engage in intensive university-level writing and to improve one’s analytical and critical skills.

REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS:

1. Course Reader (Cal Copy)


COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

Assignments:

Assignments and grades will be determined as follows:

Reading Group Assignments 30%
Final Exam 40%
Excursion reviews 20%
Class participation 10%

EXAMS:

- The mid-term and the final are in-class exams. Your lecture attendance, participation in sessions and readings should prepare you for the two exams.
- I will provide a study guide for the final exam.
You must complete all parts of the writing assignment, attend section, and take all exams in order to pass the course.

Please note that make-up exams maybe allowed only in the case of justified reason for absence.

The writing exam will be a research paper based on your experiences in excursions.

You must complete all parts of the writing assignment, attend section, and submit all exams in order to pass the course.

CLASS POLICY & GUIDELINES:

Attendance and Participation
Active participation for each week comprises 10% of your grade. Students are expected to come to the lectures and are required to attend the sections. Students are also expected to have read the assigned reading materials and be prepared to talk about the reading material and lectures during discussion sessions. You can certainly ask questions during the lectures.

Late Papers
You must complete all assigned papers in a timely manner to pass the course. Late papers will be penalized 1/3 of a grade for each class that they are late.

Plagiarism
The major part of your course assignments and exams involves writings based on your assigned reading. So, make sure to cite your sources, either quoted directly or paraphrased, so to avoid plagiarism. In other words, submit your own original work! See me if you have any questions regarding what constitutes plagiarism. If you are caught cheating you will automatically fail the course.

Assistance
In case of disability that may require accommodation, please see me.

Schedule for the course

Monday and Tuesday: 1:00 pm – 4:00pm in class
Wednesday and Thursday – Excursion only day.

There will be no scheduled activity on Fridays, Mondays and weekends, except on July 12th, Neruda’s birthday.

Schedule of Lectures

WEEK 1: July 2-6

June 29, Monday: Orientation in the morning

*Lecture in a Classroom

9:00am-12:00pm

*A tour of the city.

June 30, Tuesday: Introduction to the course and Global History in the Twentieth Century

Lecture Site:

1. Plaza de Armas
2. Santuario de la Inmaculada Concepción

July 1, Wednesday: War World I and its aftermath

Lecture Site:

1. Grand Santiago Tower
2. Barrio Brasil

July 2, Thursday: Excursion

1. Museo Historia Nacional
2. Castillo Hidalgo

July 3, Friday: No Class
WEEK 2: July 9-13

July 6, Monday: WWII and Global Conflict

Lecture Site:

1. Palacio de los Tribunales de Justicia
2. Estación Central.

July 7, Tuesday: The Holocaust, the Blitz, and the Atomic Bomb

1. Centro Gabriela Mistral

July 8, Wednesday: Excursion

1. La Chascona house
   Barrio Bellavista
2. Santiago Museum of Contemporary Art
3. Museo Nacional de Bellas Artes

July 9, Thursday: Excursion

1. Los Andes (outside of Santiago)

July 10, Friday NO CLASS

July 12, Sunday: Excursion to Isla Negra (Birthday Neruda)

WEEK 3: July 16-20

July 13, Monday: post-War Cultures from Asia to Latin America

Lecture site:

1. Palacio de la Moneda
2. Cripta de Bernardo O'Higgins
July 14, Tuesday: post-War Cultures from Asia to Latin America

July 15, Wednesday: Excursion

1. La Sebastiania, valparaísio

July 16, Thursday: Excursion

1. Metropolitan Cathedral
2. Centro Cultural Palacio de la Moneda y Plaza de la Ciudadania
3. Plaza Nunoa
4. Plaza de La Constitucion

July 17, Friday NO CLASS

July 20-24

July 20, Monday: When the Berlin Wall collapsed

1. Basílica de La Merced

July 21, Tuesday: The World in the Age of post-Communism

2. El palacio Falabella

July 22, Wednesday: Excursion

La Serena

July 23, Thursday: Excursion

La Serena

July 24, Friday:

La Serena
July 27-August 31

July 27, Monday: Rise of Global terror and the Great Recession

July 28, Tuesday: ISIS and the Trump Era
The Swell Mining Town

July 29, Wednesday: Excursion
The Swell Mining Town

July 30, Thursday: Excursion
No lecture

July 31, Friday: Conclusion & Goodbye dinner