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COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE: January 2007
COURSE REVISED IMPLEMENTATION DATE: September 2009
COURSE TO BE REVIEWED: May 2010
(Four years after UPAC final approval date) (MONTH YEAR)

# OFFICIAL COURSE OUTLINE INFORMATION

Students are advised to keep course outlines in personal files for future use.
Shaded headings are subject to change at the discretion of the department and the material will vary - see course syllabus available from instructor

| FACULTY/DEPARTMENT: | HISTORY | |
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| **HIST 317** | | **4** |
| COURSE NAME/NUMBER | FORMER COURSE NUMBER | UCFV CREDITS |

**European Diplomacy and Crisis: 1919-1939**
COURSE DESCRIPTIVE TITLE

## CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:

This course examines the international relations between European states from the end of the Great War to the beginning of the Second World War. This period witnessed the conflict between the illusionary hopes of the democratic victors of the Great War set against the revisionist ambitions of the dictators Mussolini, Stalin, Franco and Hitler. In a context of repeated economic crises, heightened social expectations and political discord, European statesmen pursued often divergent foreign policies that seemed to lead inescapably to war. When British Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain raised his 'piece of paper' and proclaimed a lasting peace had been established in September, 1938, it was the last rhetorical gasp of an illusion that the Great War could be the 'war to end all wars'.

PREREQUISITES: HIST 210 (formerly HIST 111) and either six additional credits of lower-level history or 42 additional university-level credits.

COREQUISITES:

SYNONYMOUS COURSE(S)
(a) Replaces: _____ *(Course #)*
(b) Cannot take: _____ *(Course #)* for further credit.

SERVICE COURSE TO: _____ *(Department/Program)* _____ *(Department/Program)*

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| TOTAL HOURS PER TERM: | **60** | |
| STRUCTURE OF HOURS: | | |
| Lectures: | **30** | Hrs |
| Seminar: | **30** | Hrs |
| Laboratory: | | Hrs |
| Field Experience: | | Hrs |
| Student Directed Learning: | | Hrs |
| Other (Specify): | | Hrs |

TRAINING DAY-BASED INSTRUCTION
LENGTH OF COURSE: _____
HOURS PER DAY: _____

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| MAXIMUM ENROLLMENT: | **30** | |
| EXPECTED FREQUENCY OF COURSE OFFERINGS: | **Every second year** | |
| WILL TRANSFER CREDIT BE REQUESTED? (lower-level courses only) | ☐ Yes | ☐ No |
| WILL TRANSFER CREDIT BE REQUESTED? (upper-level requested by department) | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| TRANSFER CREDIT EXISTS IN BCCAT TRANSFER GUIDE: | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |

AUTHORIZATION SIGNATURES:

Course Designer(s): Chris Leach
Chairperson: *(Curriculum Committee)*
Department Head: Dr. Sylvie Murray
Dean: Dr. Eric Davis
UPAC Approval in Principle Date:
UPAC Final Approval Date: May 22, 2009

**LEARNING OBJECTIVES / GOALS / OUTCOMES / LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

By the end of this course students will have:

1. Identified the form and function of diplomatic history as part of the broader study of the past and present.
2. Related social, political, economic, and technological change to the diplomatic crises of the inter-war period.
3. Evaluated the impact of war on society and its effect on diplomacy.
4. Identified the relationship between ideology and foreign policy.
5. Developed analytical and communication skills - particularly in the written form - as applied to historical methodology.

**METHODS:**

Teaching methods will include use of lectures, seminar discussions, and audio-visual materials, including maps, various types of still images, and film/video.

**PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT RECOGNITION (PLAR):**

Credit can be awarded for this course through PLAR (Please check:) ☒ Yes ☐ No

**METHODS OF OBTAINING PLAR:**

Exam

**TEXTBOOKS, REFERENCES, MATERIALS:**

[Textbook selection varies by instructor. An example of texts for this course might be:]

Course texts reflect both the narrative content and historical methodology of HIST 317.

Survey Texts:

Kitchen, Martin. Europe Between The Wars. (2nd Edition) Harlow: Pearson Longman, 2006.

Marks, Sally. The Illusion Of Peace: International Relations In Europe, 1918-1933 (2nd Edition), London: Palgrave 2003.

Overy, R. J.. The Inter-War Crisis. London: Longman, 1994.

Overy, R. J.. The Road to War. London: MacMillan, 1989.

Document Reader:

Adamthwaite, Anthony. The Making Of The Second World War. London: Unwin Hyman, 1977.

Supplementary Texts:

Adams, R.. British Appeasement And The Origins Of World War II. London: Heath, 1994.

Boemeke, Manfred, Gerald Feldman, and Elizabeth Glaser-Schmidt (eds.). The Treaty Of Versailles: A Reassessment After 75 Years. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1998.

Goldstein, Eric. The First World War Peace Settlements. London: Longman, 2002

Jackson, Peter. France and the Nazi Menace: Intelligence and policy making, 1933-1939. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2000.

Leitz, Christian. Nazi Foreign Policy, 1933-1941. New York, Routledge, 2004.

MacMillan, Margaret. Paris 1919. New York: Random House, 2002.

Martel, Gordon, ed. The Origins of the Second World War Reconsidered. Mass.: Allen & Unwin, 1986.

McDonough, Frank. Hitler, Chamberlain, and Appeasement. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2002.

Nicolson, Harold. Peacemaking 1919. London, 1933.

**SUPPLIES / MATERIALS:**

None

**STUDENT EVALUATION:**

[An example of student evaluation for this course might be:]

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| Document analysis | 15% |
| Book review | 20% |
| Final Exam | 20% |
| Prospectus and Term Paper | 35% (5% and 30%) |
| Participation. | 10% |

**COURSE CONTENT:**

[Course content varies by instructor. An example of course content might be:]

Week 1: Introduction
Week 2: Diplomatic history: methods and the European context
Week 3: The Paris Peace Conference and the Treaty of Versailles
Week 4: France and the search for security: The Franco-Belgian Military Accord and inter-war relations with Central Europe
Week 5: Weimar Germany: The Ruhr Crisis, Gustav Stresemann and the spirit of Locarno
Week 6: The Spanish Civil War and the problem of intervention
Week 7: Mussolini: Italy and the quest for power
Week 8: International Disarmament and the failure of the League of Nations
Week 9: Hitler's revisionism: the challenge of German rearmament and Anschluss
Week 10: British foreign policy: the origins of appeasement
Week 11: Chamberlain's Appeasement: The Munich Crisis
Week 12: Soviet Russia: Stalin's Foreign Policy and the Nazi-Soviet Pact
Week 13: The last days of peace: Prague, Poland, and WWII