HIEU 154 Winter 2013

Modern Germany: From Bismarck to Hitler

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This is an upper-divison lecture/discussion course on the history of imperial and Weimar Germany. Covering the years from the unification of the German empire to the rise of Hitler (1866-1933), the course provides students with an overview of the political, economic, social, and cultural developments of a crucial period in German history.

Required Texts:

- Volker Berghahn, Imperial Germany 1871-1918: Economy, Society, Culture and Politics
- Eric D. Weitz, Weimar Germany: Promise and Tragedy
- Theodor Fontane, Effi Briest
- Erich Maria Remarque, All Quiet on the Western Front
- Irmgard Keun, The Artificial Silk Girl
- Hans Fallada, Little Man, what now?

Books are available for purchase at the campus bookstore and on reserve in the library. A few additionals reading materials will be put on e-reserve. To access the material, please enter the following password: mf 154

Course Requirements:

- Attendance* & Participation 10%
- Midterm 20%
- Research Paper 35%
- Final 35%

Midterm and Final

The Midterm is an in-class exam, the Final a take-home. The **Midterm** is scheduled on **Thursday, February 7**. The **Research Paper** is due **Thursday, March 14 in class**. The assignment for the Research Paper (8-10pp) will be handed out on Thursday, January 31. The Final is a Take-Home Exam. Questions will be handed out on March 14. The Final is due **Tuesday, March 19, 2:30pm**. No late papers or exams will be accepted.

Academic Integrity

http://students.ucsd.edu/academics/academic-integrity/index.html

^{*}More than two unexcused absenses will lower your grade.

CLASS SCHEDULE

WEEK 1

Tue, January 8 Introduction

Thu, January 10 The Making of a Unified Germany (1866-1871)

READING: • David Blackbourn, From Reaction to Unification (from: David Blackbourn, The Long Nineteenth Century: A History of Germany 1780-1918), pp. 225 – 310 (e-reserve)

WEEK 2

Tue, January 15 The New Economy

READING: • Volker R. Berghahn, Imperial Politics, pp. 1 - 37

Thu, January 17 Political Culture in Wilhelminian Germany

READING: • Volker R. Berghahn, Imperial Politics, pp. 176-254

WEEK 3

Tue, January 22 Society, Social Mobility, Minorities

READINGS: • Berghahn, Imperial Politics, pp. 38-120 • Begin:

Theodor Fontane, Effi Briest, pp. 3-94

Thu, January 24 Gender Issues and the Customs of the Wilhelminian

Bourgeoisie

READING: • Finish: Theodor Fontane, Effi Briest, pp. 94-178

WEEK 4

Tue, January 29 The Imperial Age

READINGS: • Sebastian Conrad, Globalization and the Nation in Imperial Germany (Cambridge UP 2010), pp. 27-76 (e-reserve)

• Berghahn, Imperial Politics, pp. 254-263

Thu, January 31 The First World War

READINGS: • Berghahn, Imperial Politics, pp. 264-300

• Begin: Erich Maria Remarque, All Quiet on the Western Front,

pp. 1 - 194

ASSIGNMENT FOR THE RESEARCH PAPER WILL BE

HANDED OUT

WEEK 5

Tue, February 5 Defeat and the Legacy of War: All Quiet on the Western

Front

READING: • Finish: Erich Maria Remarque, All Quiet on the

Western Front, pp. 195-296

Thu, February 7 IN-CLASS MIDTERM Please bring a blue book to class

WEEK 6

Tue, February 12 1918: The End of Monarchy and the Birth of the Weimar

Republic

READINGS: • Eric D. Weitz, Weimar Germany, pp. 1-79 • The Treaty of Versailles: The Reparation Clauses (e-reserve)

(Kaes/Jay/Dimendberg, The Weimar Republic Sourcebook, pp. 8-9); The Constitution of the German Republic (Kaes/Jay/Dimendberg, The Weimar Republic Sourcebook, pp. 46-51) (e-reserve)

Thu, February 14 The New Democracy in Crisis

READINGS: • Eric D. Weitz, Weimar Germany, pp. 81-103; pp. 129-145

WEEK 7

Tue, February 19 Deceptive Stability: Politics and Economics (1924-1929)

READINGS: • Eric D. Weitz, Weimar Germany, pp. 81-127; pp. 129-168 • The Dawes Committee Report (Kaes/Jay/Dimendberg, The Weimar Republic Sourcebook, pp. 61-67) (1-67)

64-67) (e-reserve)

Thu, February 21 Culture in the Weimar Republic

READINGS: • Eric D. Weitz, Weimar Germany, pp. 169-296

WEEK 8

Tue, February 26 Challenges of Modernity and the Transformation of Every

Day Life

READINGS: • Eric D. Weitz, Weimar Germany, pp. 297-330 • Begin: Irmgard Keun, The Artifical Silk Girl, pp. 1-122.

Thu, February 28 The Rise of the New Woman

READINGS: • Finish: Irmgard Keun, The Artifical Silk Girl, pp. 123-192

WEEK 9

Tue, March 5 The Great Depression

READING: • Begin: Hans Fallada, Little Man, what now?, pp. 1-187

Thu, March 7 The Great Depression (continued)

READING: • Finish: Hans Fallada, Little Man, what now?, pp. 187-345

WEEK 10

Tue, March 12 Political Radicalization

READING • Eric D. Weitz Weimar Germany, pp. 331-368

Thu, March 14 The Demise of Democracy and Hitler's Rise to Power

READING • Sebastian Haffner, "The Hitler Era" (S. Haffner, The Ailing Empire: Germany from Bismarck to Hitler), pp. 181-216 (e-reserve)

RESEARCH PAPER DUE