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New Course Proposal

HIST404 - Topics in Comparative History

I. Catalog Description. HIST 404 Topics in Comparative History 3c-01-3sh

An upper-division course emphasizing lecture, reading, discussion and writing on specialized topics relating to comparative historical issues. The theme of the course will vary from semester to semester according to the expertise of the faculty member teaching the course. Open to all junior and senior history, history/pre-law, and history/social studies education majors, or by instructor's permission.

II. Course Objectives.

- 1. Advanced history, history/pre-law, and history/social studies education majors will have an opportunity to do advanced historical study and research and to benefit from the interaction with students who have similar academic and intellectual interests.
- 2. Students will explore significant historical topics and themes in an interactive class setting.
- 3. Students will work with a variety of primary and secondary sources and understand them in the context of specific historical situations.
- 4. Students will strengthen or learn critical thinking skills such as the ability to evaluate different interpretations, identify underlying assumptions, detect fallacies in reasoning, use evidence appropriately, and come individually or as a group to decisions on matters relating to a comparative historical topic or theme.
- 5. Students will strengthen their oral skills in discussion and, as appropriate, other forms of speech.
- 6. Students will explore the ethical issues that emerge from class discussions and themes under consideration.
- 7. Students will address a major historical question or problem related to comparative history in their final research paper.

III. Detailed Course Outline.

This course is a advanced topics course based on an announced theme that will vary from semester to semester depending on the expertise of the faculty member teaching the course. As would be the case with other advanced topics classes of this type, an all-purpose detailed course outline cannot be supplied. This generic syllabus is nevertheless important to the department as a record of course policies for instructors. Individual semester syllabi will be reviewed by the

History Department's Academic Procedures Committee for consistency with this Syllabus of Record. For the benefit of proposal review, a sample course syllabus is attached for one comparative topic as an example of what types of specific criteria would be implemented. Examples of comparative themes or topics that might be offered are:

Slavery
Urbanism
Labor Movements
Colonialism/Imperialism
Women's History
Industrialism
Civil Rights Movements
Revolutions
Environmental Movements
War/Military Systems

IV. Evaluation Methods.

Evaluation methods may vary, subject to the following limits:

At least 50% Final research paper and associated assignments (revisions, drafts, etc.)

Up to 50% Other writing assignments, projects, presentations, quizzes, tests, class

participation and attendance. Percentage designations of these graded materials are at the discretion of the faculty member teaching the course

and will be clearly indicated on individual instructor syllabi.

Grading - 90-100% A; 80-89% B; 70-79% C; 60-69% D; 59 and below F.

[See the attached sample syllabus for a detailed example of the implementation of this evaluation policy.]

V. Required Textbooks, Supplemental Books and Readings.

Will vary by semester according to specialization of faculty member teaching the course.

[See the attached sample syllabus for an example.]

VI. Special Resource Requirements.

None.

VII. Bibliography.

No single bibliography is applicable because of the variable course content.

[See attached sample syllabus for an example of a bibliography to be used by a faculty member teaching a Comparative Slavery topics course.]

Course Analysis Questionnaire

A. Details of the Course.

- A1. The course will be one of a set of required courses open to all advanced history, history/pre-law, and history/social studies education majors. As a advanced topics course, the class is designed for students who have had considerable exposure to historical topics and comparative approaches within the discipline. Non-history majors who are admitted with instructor permission must have demonstrated comparable abilities and commitment to the field of history and to interactive learning. Majors may count the course toward their required hours in history.
- A2. Yes, this course does require changes in the content of requirements for a program since it is one of a set of new required courses for all history, history/pre-law, and history/social studies education majors.
- A3. This course has not been offered at IUP on a trial basis.
- A4. This is a dual-level course and the approval status at the graduate level is pending. (See Appendix A.)
- A5. This course may not be taken for variable credit; students may receive credit for the course more than once if they select sections with different topics. [Consult the Registrar's office for confirmation of this credit policy.]
- A6. Comparative seminars in history exists at a number of higher education institutions including Vanderbilt University, the University of Pittsburgh, University of Nebraska, Penn State, University of California-Berkeley, and the University of Florida.
- A7. This specific course is not required by the American Historical Association (AHA) or any other accrediting authority, law or other external agency. But, the AHA does recommend that history programs require an integrating or synthesizing upper-division course of this nature.¹

¹"Liberal Learning and the History Major," Perspectives, May/June 1990, 15.

- B. Interdisciplinary Implications.
- B1. Each section of this course will be taught by one instructor.
- B2. This course does not duplicate or affect courses offered by other departments.
- B3. This course is not appropriate to Continuing Education students.
- C. Implementation.
- C1. The department will work this course into its rotation of upper-level history and special topics courses.
- C2. No additional space, equipment, supplies, library materials, or travel funds are needed.
- C3. None of the resources for this course are based on a grant.
- C4. We expect to offer this course once a year.
- C5. We expect to offer one section of this course per year.
- C6. Twenty students is the desired maximum number of students in an advanced topics course of this nature.
- C7. The American Historical Association does not recommend maximum enrollments for this type of course.
- D. Miscellaneous.

No additional information is being supplied.

New Course Proposal - Sample Syllabus for Topics in Comparative Slavery

HIST 404 - Topics in Comparative History

I. Course Description

This course provides an overview of the development of black slavery in the Americas from its African and European antecedents down through its eradication in the nineteenth century. Attention will be given to the institution of slavery as practiced in Europe, but most focus will be on the historical evolution of the institution in Africa and the Americas. Cross-cultural and interdisciplinary perspectives will be taken into account. The intention is to seek out the common characteristics of the institution of slavery, while exploring the different contexts in which it functioned and the range of experience it encompassed.

II. Course Objectives

- 1. Students will understand the complex historical genesis of slavery as a social and economic system as practiced in Europe and Africa prior to, and after, 1492.
- 2. Students will gain an appreciation for the importance of the colonial experience in the Americas and the unique labor demands which facilitated the expansion of slave labor from the Old to the New World.
- 3. Students will develop a broad appreciation for the various approaches (Marxist, cliometric, anthropological, among others) to study and examine slave systems in Europe, Africa and the Americas.
- 4. Students will hone their analytical and synthetic skills through historical inquiry and reasoning.
- 5. Students will gain an appreciation for the use of comparative history in analyzing contemporary social and cultural issues and problems relating to the institution of slavery.
- 6. Students will be exposed to a variety of sources and information which will help them understand the complexity and diversity of slave studies.

III. Detailed Course Outline

- 1. Slavery: An Historical Overview (1 week)
 - What is slavery?
 - Early slave systems in Europe
- 2. Why Slavery? Why Africa (1 week)
 - Early slave systems in Africa
 - Was it well-established? Or was it driven by European demand?

- 3. The Atlantic Slave Trade and the Transition to the Americas (2 weeks)
 - The Trade in humans, from Africa to the Americas
 - Motives and means of the African sellers, European traders and brokers, and American buyers
 - 400 years of change and evolution
- 4. Work Regimes, Plantation Life, and the Law (2 weeks)
 - Principles of slave society organization in Latin America and the United States
 - Treatment, material conditions, and legal issues
- 5. Racism, Slavery and the Free Coloreds (2 weeks)
 - Slavery and changing attitudes toward race in Latin America and the United States
 - Distribution, treatment, and public perception of free non-Whites in the Americas
- 6. The Demography of Slave Societies (1 week)
 - Natural growth and reproduction in Latin America and the United States
 - The relative importance of cultural, material, and epidemiological factors
- 7. Slave Culture (1 weeks)
 - The African influence in Latin America and the United States
 - Assimilation, cultural retention, and syncretism
- 8. Family, Religion, and Social Relations (1 week)
 - Males, females, the slave family, and relations between slaves
 - The function of religion among slaves in Latin America and the United States
- 9. Accommodation and Conflict (2 weeks)
 - Rebellions, resistance and the significance of marronage (running away) in Latin America and the United States
 - How did slavery survive for nearly 400 years in the Americas?
- 10. Abolition (1 week)
 - The moral problem of slavery in Europe, Africa, and the Americas
 - Public attitudes of slaveholding in the late 18th Century in the Americas and in Europe
 - The transition from slavery to freedom
- IV. Evaluation Methods.

50% Research paper (15 pgs.)

20% Book Reviews (2 pgs.)

10% Peer editing of historical essays

10% Class participation and attendance

10% Oral reports and presentations (2 per student)

V. Required Textbooks, Supplemental Books, and Readings.

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None.

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[See attached]

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Appendix A

New Course Proposal - Sample Syllabus for Topics in Comparative Slavery

HIST 404 - Topics in Comparative History

I. Course Description

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This course provides an overview of the development of black slavery in the Americas from its African and European antecedents down through its eradication in the nineteenth century. Attention will be given to the institution of slavery as practiced in Europe, but most of the course will focus on the historical evolution of the institution in Africa and the Americas. Cross-cultural and interdisciplinary perspectives will be taken into account. The intention is to seek out the common characteristics of the institution of slavery, while exploring the different contexts in which it functioned and the range of experience it encompassed.

II. Course Objectives

- 1. Students will understand the complex historical genesis of slavery as a social and economic system as practiced in Europe and Africa prior to, and after, 1492.
- 2. Students will gain an appreciation for the importance of the colonial experience in the Americas and the unique labor demands which facilitated the expansion of slave labor from the Old to the New World.
- 3. Students will develop a broad appreciation for the various approaches (Marxist, cliometric, anthropological, among others) to study and examine slave systems in Europe, Africa and the Americas.
- 4. Students will hone their analytical skills through historical inquiry and reasoning.
- 5. Students will gain an appreciation for the use of comparative history in analyzing contemporary social and cultural issues and problems relating to the institution of slavery.
- 6. Students will be exposed to a variety of sources and information which will help them understand the complexity and diversity of slave studies.

III. Detailed Course Outline

- 1. Slavery: An Historical Overview (1 week)
 - What is slavery?
 - Early slave systems in Europe

- 2. Why Slavery? Why Africa (1 week)
 - Early slave systems in Africa
 - Was it well-established? Or was it driven by European demand?
- 3. The Atlantic Slave Trade and the Transition to the Americas (2 weeks)
 - The Trade in humans, from Africa to the Americas
 - Motives and means of the African sellers, European traders and brokers, and American buyers
 - 400 years of change and evolution
- 4. Work Regimes, Plantation Life, and the Law (2 weeks)
 - Principles of slave society organization in Latin America and the United States
 - Treatment, material conditions, and legal issues
- 5. Racism, Slavery and the Free Coloreds (2 weeks)
 - Slavery and changing attitudes toward race in Latin America and the United States
 - Distribution, treatment, and public perception of free non-Whites in the Americas
- 6. The Demography of Slave Societies (1 week)
 - Natural growth and reproduction in Latin America and the United States
 - The relative importance of cultural, material, and epidemiological factors
- 7. Slave Culture (1 weeks)
 - The African influence in Latin America and the United States
 - Assimilation, cultural retention, and syncretism
- 8. Family, Religion, and Social Relations (1 week)
 - Males, females, the slave family, and relations between slaves
 - The function of religion among slaves in Latin America and the United States
- 9. Accommodation and Conflict (2 weeks)
 - Rebellions, resistance and the significance of marronage (running away) in Latin America and the United States
 - How did slavery survive for nearly 400 years in the Americas?
- 10. Abolition (1 week)
 - The moral problem of slavery in Europe, Africa, and the Americas
 - Public attitudes of slaveholding in the late 18th Century in the Americas and in Europe
 - The transition from slavery to freedom

IV. Evaluation Methods

Undergraduates

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50% Research paper (15 pgs.)

20% Book Reviews (2 pgs.)

10% Peer editing of historical essays

10% Class participation and attendance

10% Oral reports and presentations (2 per student)

Graduate Students

In addition to meeting the requirements listed above, graduate students enrolled in HIST 404 will be required to complete additional assignments (e.g. bibliographical and historiographical) as determined by the instructor. To facilitate the graduate learning experience, graduate students will meet collectively with the instructor every other week to discuss outside readings related to the topic.

50% Research paper (20 pgs.) 20% Book Reviews (2 pgs.) 20% Bi-weekly reports 10% Additional assignments

- V. Required Textbooks, Supplemental Books, and Readings.
- Berlin, Ira. Many Thousands Gone: the first two centuries of slavery in North America (Cambridge, Mass.: Belknap Press of Harvard University Press, 1998)
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VI. Special Resource Requirements

None.

VII. Bibliography

[See attached]