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HIST 6600/8600: HISTORIOGRAPHY Spring 2015, University of Toledo Dr. Todd M. Michney

Meeting Place/Time: University Hall 5260 W 4:30-7:30pm **Office/Office Hours:** University Hall 5210G; T 9-11am, W 1-3pm

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This graduate seminar will familiarize students with the roots of history as an intellectual discipline, specifically historiography as a rhetorical, philosophical, and scientific endeavor; the development of the modern historical profession, with emphasis on the United States; and various methodological innovations influenced by the social sciences, anthropology, and literary criticism (the so-called cultural and linguistic "turns"). Students will also complete a literature review on a topic of their choice and review the mechanics and formatting for a graduate-level research paper.

Required Text (1):

- Peter Novick, That Noble Dream: The "Objectivity Question" and the American Historical Profession (1988)

Recommended Text (1):

- Kate L. Turabain, *A Manual for Writers of Research Papers, Theses, and Dissertations*, 8th ed. (2013)

Weekly Class Schedule and Readings

Week 1

Jan. 14 – Introduction: "What is History?" "What is Historiography?"

Week 2

Jan. 21 – Precedents: Antiquity through the Enlightenment *Read:*

- Philip A. Stadter, "Historical Thought in Ancient Greece," in A Companion to Western Historical Thought, ed. Lloyd Kramer & Sarah Maza (2002), 35-57
- David Morgan, "The Evolution of Two Asian Historiographical Traditions," in *Companion to Historiography*, ed. Michael Bentley (1997), 11-21
- Paula Findlen, "Historical Thought in the Renaissance," in *Companion to Western Historical Thought*, ed. Kramer & Maza, 99-119
- Johnson Kent Wright, "Historical Thought in the Era of the Enlightenment," in ibid., 123-142

Week 3

Jan. 28 – Nineteenth Century Germany *Read:*

- Georg G. Iggers, *The German Conception of History*, rev. ed. (1983), 63-89
- Leopold von Ranke, "On the Character of Historical Science" (1830s), in *The Theory and Practice of History*, ed. Georg Iggers & Konrad von Moltke (1973), 33-46
- Hayden White, *Metahistory: The Historical Imagination in Nineteenth-Century Europe* (1973), 163-190

Week 4

Feb. 4 – The American Historical Profession through World War II *Read:* Novick, *That Noble Dream*, 1-411

Week 5

Feb. 11 – The *Annales* School and (Neo)Marxists *Read:*

- Georg G. Iggers, *Historiography in the Twentieth Century* (1997), 51-64
- Fernand Braudel, "History and the Social Sciences: The *Longue Durée*," in *On History*, trans. Sarah Matthews (1980), 25-54
- Walter L. Adamson, "Marxism and Historical Thought," in *Companion to Western Historical Thought*, ed. Kramer & Maza, 205-222
- E.P. Thompson, *The Making of the English Working Class* (1963), 269-313

Week 6

Feb. 18 – The Collapse of Consensus and Ascendancy of Social History *Read:* Novick, *That Noble Dream*, 412-629

- Alice Kessler-Harris, "Social History," in *The New American History*, ed. Eric Foner (1990), 163-184
- Richard J. Evans, In Defense of History (1997), 139-163

Week 7

Feb. 25 – Cultural History and the Linguistic Turn *Read:*

- Joyce Appleby et al., Telling the Truth about History (1994), 198-237
- Patricia O'Brien, "Michel Foucault's History of Culture," in *The New Cultural History*, ed. Lynn Hunt (1989), 25-46
- Aletta Biersack, "Local Knowledge, Local History: Geertz and Beyond," in ibid., 72-96
- Partha Chatterjee, *The Nation and Its Fragments: Colonial and Postcolonial Histories* (1993), 14-34

Week 8

March 4 – Recent Historiographical Discussions #1 *Read:*

- "AHR Forum: Negotiating Power," with essays by Caroline Castiglione, Giovanni Benadusi, and Cornelia Hughes Dayton, in *American Historical Review* 109:3 (June 2004): 782-843

NO CLASS MARCH 11; SPRING BREAK

Week 9

March 18 – Recent Historiographical Discussions #2 *Read:*

- "AHR Forum: Oceans of History," with essays by Kären Wigen, Peregrine Horden & Nicholas Purcell, Alison Games, and Matt K. Matsuda, in *American Historical Review* 111:3 (June 2006): 717-780

Week 10

March 25 – Recent Historiographical Discussions #3 *Read:*

 "AHR Forum: The Senses in History," with essays by Martin Jay, Sophia Rosenfeld, Mark S.R. Jenner, Jessica Riskin, Priscilla Parkhurst Ferguson, and Elizabeth D. Harvey, in *American Historical Review* 116:2 (April 2011): 307-400

** Initial Bibliography Due **

Week 11

April 1 – Individual Consultations on Historiographical Review Paper Topics

Week 12

April 8 – NO CLASS; Individual Research and Writing

Week 13

April 15 – NO CLASS; Individual Research and Writing

<u>Week 14</u>

April 22 – Exchange Drafts for Peer Review; Further Consultation (optional)

Week 15

April 29 – Return Drafts and Discuss Historiographical Review Paper Topics

** Historiographical Reviews Due May 6, 5:00 p.m. (my mailbox) **

Grade Breakdown:

Class Participation 20%

Reading Reflections (5) 40% (8% each)

Research Paper 40%

Paper Assignments: For this course, you will write five short papers on the assigned course readings, as well as a research paper (historiographical review) on a topic of your own choosing.

Each of the five "reading reflections" is to be a 3-5 page long exercise in which you compare, combine, and/or critique the most important points you have identified in the assigned readings for that week. THESE PAPERS WILL BE DUE AT CLASS TIME THE FOLLOWING WEEK. Note: there are nine weekly reading assignments, so you will be picking five out of the total on which to write. Also, at least one of these reflections MUST be from the "Recent Historiographical Discussions" portion (Weeks 8, 9, and 10).

The research paper should be 12-15 pages, on a historiographical debate of your own choosing. The idea is to summarize the research, debate, and discussion around the topic to date, and weigh in on where future research should focus. If you are writing a Master's or Ph.D. thesis, this exercise could potentially help you to identify and introduce your topic (traditionally, theses begin with a "literature review").

You should start the process of identifying your topic as soon as possible; an initial bibliography is due on <u>March 25</u>.

Potentially useful resources include:

- America: History and Life (database)
- Historical Abstracts (database)
- WorldCat (database)
- Francis Couvares et al., eds., *Interpretations of American History*, 2 vols. (Boston: Bedford/St. Martin's Press, 2009)
- James M. Banner, Jr., ed., *A Century of American Historiography* (Boston: Bedford/ St. Martin's Press, 2010)
- AHA's Guide to Historical Literature, 3rd ed., 2 vols. (1995; in Michney's possession, bibliographies with brief annotations)
- Bibliographical essays (or suggested readings) following chapters in: Blackwell Reference guides; Harlan Davidson's *American History* series; Bedford Series on History and Culture; *Major Problems* textbook series (Cengage)

The research paper will be due on May 6.

All papers should be typewritten, in a 12-point font, double-spaced (or 1.5), with 1-inch margins, and conform to the *Chicago Manual of Style* (consult your copy of Turabian, *Manual*). THERE IS TO BE NO SUBMISSION OF PAPER ASSIGNMENTS VIA E-MAIL WITHOUT MY EXPLICIT AND PRIOR APPROVAL.

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