

Department of History and Political Science



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Spring 2017 Registration Newsletter

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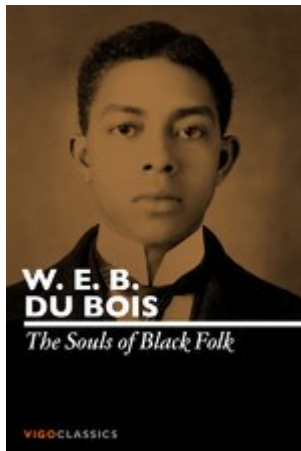
Maine Model United Nations Conference in 19th Year!

The ME Model UN Program hosts an annual conference where college and high school students participate in a simulation of UN procedures and enables students to practice organization, debate, conflict resolution and negotiation skills. This year marks the 19th year USM has hosted this conference, which gets bigger and better every year. Lee Parsons, pictured right, is this year's Secretary General. Anyone interested in volunteering for this year's conference should contact timothy.ruback@maine.edu or stop by 100 Payson.



From left to right: Tomas Orri Ragnarsson, Professor Francesca Vassallo, and Edward Struzik, speaking at a Political Science Department sponsored event on October 4th on environmental damage in the Arctic due to global warming and what the future holds for the region. The Arctic: Challenges and Opportunities program in its entirety can be viewed on the department website: usm.maine.edu/POS

Becoming American: W.E.B. Du Bois and the Meaning of Race and Citizenship in the Jim Crow Era event was held on October 12th in Hannaford Hall. Professor of African-American History Leroy Rowe lectured on the 14th Amendment using Du Bois' work *The Souls of Black Folk* as inspiration.



Registration Info:

- ◆ Matriculated students registration begins Nov 7th
- ◆ Reminder: Check Mainstreet for registration information.
- ◆ Don't forget to make an appointment with your advisor!

Check out Professor Schmidt's bi-weekly column at: mainebeam.com

Want to learn more about Du Bois? Join us on Nov 10th at 2:45 in the UER, Glickman Library, to analyze Du Bois through a philosophical lens.

There will also be two more "Becoming American" programs in the spring. Go to usm.maine.edu/history for event announcements and to view the recorded Oct 12th program- which includes the question and answer session.

History Courses Offered in Portland Spring 2017

HTY 122 US History 1800-1900, TR 11:45-1:00 Ashley Towle
 HTY 142 African-American History from 1865, TR 1:15-2:30, Leroy Rowe
 HTY 172 Modern East Asia, MW 8:45-10:00, Jie Zhao
 HTY 200 Ref, Research, & Report Writing MW 10:15-11:30 Jie Zhao
 HTY 330 Germany: Bismarck to Hitler, TR 11:45-1:00, Abraham Peck
 HTY 347 Race and Politics of Mass Incarceration, W 5:35-8:05 Leroy Rowe
 HTY 356 Civil War and Reconstruction, MW 8:45-10:00, Adam Tuchinsky
 HTY 364 History of Women in the United States, TR 1:15-2:30, Eileen Eagan
 HTY 388 Revolution of Modern China, MW 1:15-2:30, Jie Zhao
 HTY 394 Topics: Great Depression and New Deal, W 4:10-6:40, Eileen Eagan



History Courses Offered in Gorham Spring 2017

HTY 102 Western Civ II, MW 9:30-11:45, Chris Beam
 HTY 123 US History Since 1900, TR 9:30-10:45, Eileen Eagan
 HTY 152 The Islamic Near East, MW 11:00-12:15, Gary Johnson
 HTY 200 Reference, Research, and Report Writing, MW 5:35-8:05, Libby Bischof
 HTY 394 Topics: WWI: Culture, Politics, Memory, MW 2:00-3:15, Libby Bischof
 HTY 400 Senior Seminar: Race/Slavery in Roman Empire, T 4:10-6:40, Gary Johnson

History Courses Offered Online Spring 2017

HTY 101 Western Civilization I, Gary Johnson
 HTY 102 Western Civilization II, Seth Rogoff
 HTY 182 Latin America II, John Paton
 HTY 335 Genocide in Our Time, Abraham Peck
 HTY 394 Topics: Afghanistan, Chris Beam



History Independent Study Spring 2017

TBA Portland Campus

Political Science Courses Offered in Portland Spring 2017

POS 101 Intro to American Government, T 4:10-6:40, Ron Schmidt
POS 101 Intro to American Government, TR 8:45-10:00, Manuel Avalos
POS 203 Intro to Political Science Research, MW 4:10-5:25, Francesca Vassallo
POS 245 French Politics and Government, TR 10:15-11:30, Francesca Vassallo
POS 256 Media and Politics, MW 10:15-11:30, Robert Klotz
POS 290 Intro to Political Theory, TR 2:45-4:00, Ron Schmidt
POS 333 Theories of Democratization, T 4:10-6:40, Francesca Vassallo
POS 355 Race and Politics of Mass Incarceration W 5:35-8:05 Leroy Rowe
POS 374 United States Foreign Policy, TR 1:15-2:30, Tim Ruback
POS 380 Topics: Contemporary Issues in Amer Politics, TR 10:15-11:30, Manuel Avalos
POS 380 Topics: Islam: Religion, Society, and Politics, MW 11:45-1:00, Mahmud Faksh
POS 393 American Political Thought II, TR 11:45-1:00, Ron Schmidt
POS 399 Topics: 1919: A Year in the Life, MW 11:45-1:00, Ron Schmidt
POS 464 American Civil Liberties, M 4:10-6:40, Robert Klotz



Political Science Courses Offered in Gorham Spring 2017

POS 101 Intro to American Government, TR 2:00-3:15, Manuel Avalos
POS 104 Intro to International Relations, MW 11:00-12:15, Tim Ruback
POS 445 MeMUNC Conference Planners, W 4:10-6:40, Tim Ruback



Political Science Courses Offered Online Spring 2017

POS 104 Intro to International Relations, Steven Shirley
POS 380 Topics: Health Care Reform in America, Vanessa Perez

Political Science Internship Spring 2017

POS 475 Political Science Internship, James Messerschmidt
POS 476 Out of State Internship, TBA, Robert Klotz



Congratulations to Professor of History Abraham Peck for receiving a DLitt (Doctor of letters) degree from the University of East Anglia in Norwich England.

Calling all History majors/minors! The HTY program has recently launched a new Instagram account, @usmhistory. Please follow along, and , as you're out and about exploring historic sites please consider tagging your own Instagram photos #usmhistory If you have a great photograph from a field trip or class, please send it to Professor Bischof and she'd be happy to post it: Elizabeth.bischof@maine.edu



On Saturday, October 29th, Professor Libby Bischof's History of Maine class traveled to Bar Harbor, Maine for a tour of the Abbe Museum and a discussion of Wabanaki history and culture. Julia Gray, one of the Curators at the Abbe Museum, took the class through the new permanent exhibit--"People of the First Light," which opened in May. After our tour of the Abbe Museum, we did a brief tour of Acadia National Park--stopping at scenic overlooks and visiting Sand Beach. This trip was sponsored by a USM Title III High Impact Practices grant.



Topic Offerings Spring 2017

HTY 394 *Great Depression and the New Deal* with Eileen Eagan

HTY 394 *Afghanistan* with Chris Beam

HTY 394 *WWI: Culture, Politics, and Memory* with Libby Bischof

POS 380 *Contemporary Issues in American Politics* with Manuel Avalos

POS 380 *Islam: Religion, Society, and Politics* with Mahmud Faksh

POS 380 *Health Care Reform in America* with Vanessa Perez

POS 399 *1919: A Year in the Life* with Ronald Schmidt

HISTORY Announces Spring Trip!

A (nearly) FREE 2-day study trip* to New York in April comes with enrollment in any of these History courses:

HTY 347 Race and the Politics of Mass Incarceration, HTY 356 Civil War and Reconstruction, HTY 364 History of Women in the United States, and HTY 394 World War I: Culture, Politics, Memory

The History faculty recently received a Title III High Impact Practices grant to take students enrolled in the Spring 2017 courses listed above on an overnight study trip to New York City. Students will travel together with their Professors to New York City in late-April, visiting sites relevant to their individual courses including the Tenement Museum, The Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, Grant's Tomb, the Guggenheim Museum and travel together to Ellis Island, the Statue of Liberty, and the 9/11 Memorial. New York City will serve as our classroom. This unique hands-on experience for History students will highlight the ongoing need to both preserve and study our collective pasts. Each course is 3 credits. * (trip is not required, for more information contact elizabeth.bischof@maine.edu)

Judeo-Christian— and Islamic Values

An opinion article written by Professor Abraham Peck can be found on the Press Herald site:

www.pressherald.com/2016/08/28/commentary-judeo-christian-islamic-values/

