

Department of History and Political Science



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Fall 2017 Registration Newsletter

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History:

Libby Bischof, 200 Bailey Hall (G)
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Deering (P)
Jie Zhao, 100 Payson (P)

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**Robert Klotz, Dept Chair, 100
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Mahmud Faksh, 100 Payson (P)
Ron Schmidt, POS, 100 Payson (P)
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Student Assistants:

Emily Acritelli, Reception (P)
Hailey Marnell, Reception (P)
Zoe Hayes, Reception (G)
Dylan Reynolds, Research Asst, (P)

The department is delighted to announce that Lacey Sparks will be joining the History faculty next fall. Professor Sparks earned her PhD in European History from the University of Kentucky. Her work broadly focuses on the British Empire, food, and gender. In her spare time, she enjoys gardening with her cats, Jezebel and Delilah. She is excited to move to Maine later this summer.

During the fall semester she will teach:
Western Civ II (TR 10:15-11:30 in Portland), as well as
HTY 394: History of the British Empire (TR 2:45-4:00 in Portland).



Please join Professor Libby Bischof and the students of
History 200 at the opening of our new exhibition:

**"Letters Home: Harriet Sweetser and the Gorham
Normal School at the Turn-of-the-Century"**

Monday, April 10th, 2017 5:30pm to 6:30pm

USM Special Collections, 6th floor, Glickman Library, Portland Campus

Light Refreshments will be served.



Congratulations to our student
worker Emily Acritelli, History and
Political Science double major, on
her acceptance to Maine Law!

Registration Info:

- ◆ Matriculated students registration begins April 3rd
- ◆ Reminder: Check Mainstreet for registration information.
- ◆ Don't forget to make an appointment with your advisor!

If you have history
questions check out the
Portal to USM History

**[http://
usm.maine.edu/
library/
specialcollections/
portal-usm-history](http://usm.maine.edu/library/specialcollections/portal-usm-history)**

Brought to you by the
keepers of USM's past, and
so much more:

Special Collections

The Forgotten Heroines of the Easter Rising by Irish Sculptor Betty Newman-Maguire

Exhibit, Talk, Reception

April 15th from 4-7 PM at the Maine Irish Heritage Center, 34 Gray St., Portland



The exhibit will be formally opened by the Consul General of Ireland (Boston), Fionnuala Quinlan
Co-Sponsored by USM History Department and USM Women and Gender Studies
Betty Newman-Maguire was awarded a MA from the University of Ulster, Belfast in 1998, has exhibited worldwide, and is the recipient of many awards. FMI: www.bettynewmanmaguire.ie/



History Courses Offered in Portland Fall 2017

HTY 102 Western Civ II, TR 10:15-11:30 Lacey Sparks
 HTY 122 United States History 1800-1900, Fr 11:45-2:15, Libby Bischof
 HTY 141 African American History to 1865, TR 11:45-1:00, Leroy Rowe
 HTY 171 Traditional East Asia, MW 8:45-10:00, Jie Zhao
 HTY 200 Reference, Research, and Report Writing, MW 10:15-11:30, Jie Zhao
 HTY 334 Holocaust: Policy, Practice, Response, TR 1:15-2:30, Abe Peck
 HTY 345 African Americans and American Justice, TR 4:10-6:40, Leroy Rowe
 HTY 347 Race and Politics of Mass Incarceration, W 5:35-8:05, Leroy Rowe
 HTY 394 Modern Japan: Rise and Fall, MW 1:15-2:30, Jie Zhao
 HTY 394 History of British Empire, TR 2:45-4:00, Lacey Sparks
 HTY 394 Middle East in Int'l Politics, MW 11:45-1:00, Mahmud Faksh



History Courses Offered in Gorham Fall 2017

HTY 101 Western Civ I, MW 11:00-12:15, Gary Johnson
 HTY 300 History Internship, TBA, Libby Bischof
 HTY 351 Colonial America, T 4:10-6:40, Staff
 HTY 394 African American Historical Archeology, TR 11:00-12:15, Nathan Hamilton
 HTY 400 Visualizing History, M 5:35-8:05, Libby Bischof



History Courses Offered Online Fall 2017

HTY 101 Western Civilization I, Gary Johnson
 HTY 102 Western Civilization II, Seth Rogoff
 HTY 121 United States History to 1800, Christopher Beam
 HTY 181 Latin America I, John Paton
 HTY 305 Historical Jesus, Gary Johnson
 HTY 335 Genocide in Our Time, Abe Peck

History Independent Study Fall 2017

HTY 398, Portland, Libby Bischof

Political Science Courses Offered in Portland Fall 2017

POS 101 Intro to American Government, MW 8:45-10:00, Manuel Avalos
POS 101 Intro to American Government, T 4:10-6:40, Ronald Schmidt
POS 102 People and Politics, MW 4:10-5:25, Francesca Vassallo
POS 104 Intro to International Relations, MW 2:45-4:00, Mahmud Faksh
POS 203 Intro to Political Science Research, MW 10:15-11:30, Robert Klotz
POS 205 Intro to Comparative Politics, TR 10:15-11:30, Francesca Vassallo
POS 262 American Presidency, TR 11:45-1:00, Ronald Schmidt
POS 290 Intro to Political Theory, TR 2:45-4:00, Ronald Schmidt
POS 315 Media Law, M 4:10-6:40, Robert Klotz
POS 334 Race and Ethnicity in US Politics, MW 10:15-11:30, Manuel Avalos
POS 335 European Politics, T 4:10-6:40, Francesca Vassallo
POS 349 Middle East in International Politics, MW 11:45-1:00, Mahmud Faksh
POS 355 Race and Politics of Mass Incarceration, W 5:35-8:05, Leroy Rowe
POS 380 Modern Japan: Rise and Fall, MW 1:15-2:30, Jie Zhao



Political Science Courses Offered in Gorham Fall 2017

POS 101 Intro to American Government, MW 2:00-3:15, Manuel Avalos
POS 104 Intro to International Relations, MW 12:30-1:45, Tim Ruback
POS 280 Issues Before the United Nations, TR 2:00-3:15, Tim Ruback
POS 299 Global Politics of Soccer, TR 11:00-12:15, Tim Ruback



Political Science Courses Offered Online Fall 2017

POS 104 Intro to International Relations, Steven Shirley
POS 361 Topics: Public Administration, Vanessa Perez

Political Science Internship Fall 2017

POS 475 Political Science Internship, M 4:10-6:40, Dusan Bjelic

Congratulations to the Following History Majors:

Carlin Whitehouse, Esther Wood History Scholarship
Jordyn Jewett, Esther Wood History Scholarship
Halima Noor, CAHS Scholarship
Jason Field, Treworgy Scholarship
Cosette Holmes, USM Classics Scholarship

Professor of History Abraham Peck acted as chair and participated in the panel discussion *Lessons From a Wounded World: Post Holocaust Wisdom In the Face of Terror and Fear* at the 47th Annual Scholars' Conference on the Holocaust and the Churches held at Temple University on March 11-13th.



History Summer 2017 Courses

HTY 101 Western Civ I Online, Gary Johnson
HTY 123 US History Since 1900, TR 7:00-9:45 pm, Allan Whitmore
HTY 181 Latin America I, Online, John Paton
HTY 346 The Civil Rights Movement, MW 5:30-8:15 pm, Leroy Rowe
HTY 394 Vietnam War, TR 7:00-9:45pm, Chris Beam
HTY 394 From WWII to the War on Terror, Online, Seth Rogoff
HTY 394 Anti-Semitism and History, Online, Abraham Peck
HTY 394 Crossing Borders: Women and Migration, MTW, 12:30-3:45pm, Eileen Eagan
HTY 394 Maine History Through Art, Literature, and Film, Online, Libby Bischof



Political Science Summer 2017 Courses

POS 104 Intro to International Relations, MW 4:00-6:45 pm, Mahmud Faksh
POS 104 Intro to International Relations, Online, Steven Shirley
POS 299 Topics: American Politics at the Movies, MTW 12:30-3:45, Ron Schmidt
POS 380 Analyzing the 2016 Presidential Election, Online, Vanessa Perez

Congratulations to the Following POS Majors:

Dylan Reynolds, CAHS Dean's Scholarship
Shaman Kirkland, CAHS Dean's Scholarship

Congratulations to Junior History Major, Katie Gallup, who recently found out that she will be a Lunder Family Summer intern at the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston. These internships are very competitive, and she will have the Internship in Community Engagement and Visitor Studies.

Topic Offerings Fall 2017, Descriptions

HTY 394 /POS 380 Modern Japan: Rise and Fall, Jie Zhao This course will examine Japan's reaction to the challenges from the West, its reform efforts, and its ways of seeking international recognition. Japan's remarkable success gave rise to its imperialist ambition. The course will discuss when, why and how the Japanese polity and military embarked on the road to war with China and the Pacific War.

HTY 394 History of the British Empire, Lacey Sparks Why should a tiny island across the sea regulate the price of tea? This course explores Britain as it functioned within its empire, a vast web of connections which enabled Britain to shape the empire and also allowed the empire to shape Britain in return. The course examines the political, economic, social, and cultural aspects of the empire starting with Wales, Scotland, and Ireland, and moving through the American colonies, Scramble for Africa, the World Wars, and decolonization.

HTY 394 African American Historical Archeology, Nathan Hamilton In this course, we look at how the identities of African Americans have been constructed over time by archaeologists, anthropologists, historians, geographers, and journalists. The course explores both regional and personal identities and the interrelationships between these two aspects of identity, and examines the effects of racism, ethnocentrism and sexism on identity construction. The course considers economy, historic environmental and geographical factors and how the construction of identity is affected by the experience of place. It concludes by examining contemporary race relations, the relationship to social scientists, and the public at large.

HTY 394/POS 349 Middle East in Int'l Politics, Mahmud Faksh The crucial issues of international politics, war, revolution, superpower intervention, economic development and terrorism converge in the Middle East on a regional basis. This course will examine the nature of Mideast regional politics and the foreign policies of the major constituents of the area. The purpose will be to secure an understanding of the conflict between Arab and Israeli worlds, the foundations of tension among the Arab states themselves, and the role played by the superpowers in stabilizing or disrupting the uneasy relationships of the region.

POS 299 Global Politics of Soccer, Tim Ruback Known throughout the world as football, soccer (as we call it) is a global force that can be emblematic of all the best of global politics: international organization, understanding, and development. But it can also highlight the worst of global politics: racism, corruption, and violence. In this course, we will explore the connections between soccer and international politics, considering soccer's relationship to issues like nationalism, colonialism, international organization, transnational crime, and globalization.