COURSE DETAIL

READING HITLER: (AUTO)BIOGRAPHY AS HISTORY
Country Germany
Host Institution Free University of Berlin
Program(s) Technical University Berlin,Free University Berlin
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) History
UCEAP Course Number 113
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title READING HITLER: (AUTO)BIOGRAPHY AS HISTORY
UCEAP Transcript Title READ HITLER:AUTOBIO
UCEAP Quarter Units 4.50
UCEAP Semester Units 3.00

Course Description

This course draws on several biographies of Hitler, and of those close to him, to study important episodes in his personal and political career. The course discusses his childhood, his experience of war and peace, and his accumulation of power, first in the Nazi party, next in the German parliament, then in Europe. The course studies his role in the sequences of events which culminated in the anschluss, or annexation, of Austria and in the Munich agreement. The course confronts the inadequacy of biography in relation to his personal responsibility for the war and for the holocaust. And the course sees that even the circumstances of his death gave rise to a debate over the role of government in the spread of news and other knowledge, and which reappeared in a different aspect when historians came to edit his autobiography, Mein Kampf, seventy years later. The course consists of a broad outline of German history from unification in 1871 to defeat in 1945, and of the enduring significance of Hitler in the study of the humanities.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
16922

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