

COURSE DETAIL

THE HISTORY OF ANTISEMITISM IN GERMANY

Country

Germany

Host Institution

Technical University Berlin

Program(s)

Technical University Berlin

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

History German Ethnic Studies

UCEAP Course Number

108

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

THE HISTORY OF ANTISEMITISM IN GERMANY

UCEAP Transcript Title

HIST ANTISEMTSM GER

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

The German-speaking region was essential for the development of modern antisemitism. While many forms of early Christian and medieval persecution of Jews existed all over Europe, the Protestant reformation in Central Europe, contributed greatly to the proliferation and adaptation of medieval anti-Jewish sentiments into the early modern era. During the Enlightenment and the romantic period, the first major steps towards modernizing anti-Jewish sentiments happened. The class will address important social (middle-class), political (parties), intellectual (race theory) as well as cultural (visual culture) dimensions of the modern antisemitism, primarily during the 19th and early 20th century. Since the 18th century, Jewish Activists and intellectuals engaged in fighting antisemitism which the class will also address. The specific form of Nazi antisemitism will be discussed in its relation to the comprehensive discriminatory policy of the Nazi regime and, later on, the extermination policy during the Holocaust. With the almost complete annihilation of European Jewry, the history of modern antisemitism did not end, but, instead, it caused further fundamental changes in its structure. The final meetings will be devoted to these changes after 1945 and in the contemporary German-speaking world. While the class will insist on studying the specifically German-speaking forms of anti-Judaism and antisemitism, it will also place the 'German case' into the wider European context.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

3151L0002

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