

History Department Newsletter

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Blodgett 200

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Dear History student,

Welcome to the 2002-2003 academic year. This is a particularly exciting time for the history department. During the last five years the number of history majors has doubled and the faculty has increased from five to seven, including three new history professors. Course offerings now include Modern China, The Atlantic World, Russian History, and Geography in History. This semester we welcome Professor Barbara Skinner. Adding to the zest of the department, last semester students formed a History Club which will be meeting regularly during the semester.

Keep in mind that the history faculty and I are available to assist you in academic matters. Faculty office hours are posted on the bulletin board outside Blodgett 200 as well as announcements of history department and History Club events. As the faculty considers ways to improve the history major, we welcome and encourage input from students.

I wish you good luck and good skill in your work this academic year.

Martin Haas

Spring 2003 Course Offerings

102-01	Western Civ II	Kelly	TR	8:00- 9:15 AM
102-02	Western Civ II	Kelly	TR	9:25-10:40 AM
102-03	Western Civ II	TBA	TR	10:50-12:05 PM
102-91	Western Civ II(H)	Starkey	TR	1:40- 2:55 PM
104-01	American Civ II	Cavallo	TR	1:40 - 2:55 PM
104-02	American Civ II	Cavallo	TR	3:05 - 4:20 PM
104-03	American Civ II	Zaccarini	MWF	12:00-12:50 PM
104-04	American Civ II	TBA	MW	2:25 - 3:40 PM
106-01	World Civ II	Hidalgo	MWF	8:00 - 8:50 AM
106-02	World Civ II	Skinner	MWF	11:00-11:50 AM
106-91	World Civ II(H)	Skinner	MW	9:25-10:40 AM
201-01	Sophomore Seminar	Zaccarini	MW	9:25-10:40 AM
223-01	The Caribbean	Hidalgo	MWF	12:00-12:50 PM
238-01	Europe 1918-1945	Kelly	TR	12:15- 1:30 PM
243-01	Russia to 1815	Skinner	MW	2:25 - 3:40 PM
290-01	Atlantic World	Hidalgo	MW	9:25-10:40 AM
290-02	Warfare West World	Starkey	TR	9:25-10:40 AM
305-01	African-Amer His II	Darling	TR	1:40 - 2:55 PM
329-01	History Amer. Ideas	Cavallo	W	6:00 - 8:30 PM
	<u>prerequisite: HIS 103</u>			
418-01	Senior Seminar	Haas	W	3:05 - 5:35 PM
	<u>prerequisite: HIS 230 or 231</u>			

Senior Seminar Policy

All History majors are required to complete a research seminar in History during their senior year. Before taking the research seminar students must have completed History 201 (Sophomore Seminar) and a subject matter prerequisite. In addition, the department has discussed and approved the following policies intended to make sure students are properly prepared for this important course:

1. Senior Seminar requirements will remain in force.
2. No student will be admitted to the senior seminar without completing History 201 (Sophomore Seminar) and the subject matter prerequisite.
3. Students must achieve a **minimum grade of B- in History 201 and B in the subject matter prerequisite.**
4. Juniors will meet as a group each year with the department chairman and their senior seminar instructors to discuss senior seminar requirements and expectations.

Be sure to plan carefully with your advisor to insure that you have met your seminar prerequisite. The seminar schedule is:

Spring 2003	His. 418: <u>Senior Research Seminar: American Diplomatic History</u> Prof. Haas
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Fall 2003	His. 443: <u>Senior Research Seminar: European History</u> Prof. Kelly
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Spring 2004	His. 418: <u>Senior Research Seminar: United States History</u> Prof. Cavallo
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Fall 2004	His. 443: <u>Senior Research Seminar: English History</u> Prof. Starkey
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Dominick Cavallo is currently teaching (and still trying to refine) a course he has taught only one time--*The History of the American*. In the spring he will be teaching a new course, *American Intellectual History to 1865*. Prof. Cavallo's new research project is a study of the attitudes and behavior of American entrepreneurs toward equality, elitism, and power, prior to and since The Civil War.

For **Prof. Haas**, the last year has been exciting and challenging as Chair of the history department. In January he and Prof. Starkey traveled to the American Historical Association convention in San Francisco to interview candidates for a position in the department. Thanks to the efforts of history department Search Committee Chair Prof. Patrick Kelly, the members of the department and students, the department hired Prof. Barbara Skinner as Assistant Professor. Prof. Haas continues to write two or three review essays a month for the Cinema Arts Centre Folio.

For **Prof. Hidalgo**, the last academic year (August 2001-August 2002) was a uniquely active year. Besides teaching for the first time two sections of World and Latin America History in two parts each, he was able to accomplish some academic projects too. The most important achievement was the successful defense and later completion of his dissertation ("From North America to Hispaniola: First Free Black Emigration and Settlements in Hispaniola"). During this period of time he was also appointed as review editor for H-LatAm, presented papers at the American Historical Association and at the Latin American Studies Association's annual congresses. The journal *Colonial Latin American Historical Review* published his article (finally) "To Get Rich for Our Homeland: The Company of Scotland and the Colonization of the Darien." Prof. Hidalgo was also commissioned by three encyclopedias to write a total of seven entries. Lastly, he was fortunate enough to receive a NEH fellowship for a summer institute on "Gendering of the Americas." Attending this institute was a fruitful experience from which a new course will emerge.

During 2001-2002, **Patrick Kelly** had his article "Tirpitz and the Origins of the German Torpedo Arm 1877-1889" published in *New Interpretations in Naval History XIII* by the U.S. Naval Institute Press. He continues his work on a Tirpitz biography. At graduation he received a newly instituted excellence in teaching award. In June he visited Paris and World War I battlefields in northern France and Belgium. In July he visited Germany, the Czech Republic and Poland where he went to Auschwitz and Treblinka. Friends among the alumni are invited to contact him at kelly2@adelphi.edu.

This past year, **Prof. Barbara Skinner** continued to research the fate of the Uniate Church in the Russian Empire with a research trip to Ukraine in May-June on a short-term grant from the International Research Exchange Board (IREX). She worked in archives in Kiev, Lutsk, and Vinnitsa. In July-August, Prof. Skinner began revisions and incorporation of this new research into her dissertation, "The Empress and the Heretics: Catherine II's Challenge to the Uniate Church, 1762-1796" for eventual publication.

Armstrong Starkey was on leave during the fall 2001, writing a book titled: *The Culture of Force in the Age of the Enlightenment, 1700-1789*, which deals with the relationship between war and the intellectual and cultural movements of the period. This book has been submitted to Greenwood/Praeger and should appear in 2003 or early 2004. He also contributed an article on the prisoners held at Guantanamo Bay Cuba and their place in international law to a forthcoming issue of *Historically Speaking*, the periodical of Historical Society. During 2001 he published "Conflict and Synthesis: Frontier Warfare in North America, 1513-1815" in *Technology, Disease and Colonial Conquests, Sixteenth to Eighteenth Centuries*, ed. George Raudzens (Brill Publishers, Leiden, The Netherlands). He was a book reviewer for *The Journal of Military History* and reviewed manuscripts submitted for publication to that journal, and to *The Journal of American History*, *The William and Mary Quarterly*, and the University of Oklahoma Press. In the spring 2003, he will be teaching a course on the history of warfare.

Professor Zaccarini is teaching American Civilization, Modern China and the Freshman Seminar "History of American Music," this semester. Dr. Zaccarini's book *The Sino-American Friendship as Tradition and Challenge: Dr. Ailie Gale in China, 1908-1950*, Lehigh University Press: London, Associated University Presses, 2001, is on display at Swirbul Library as part of the "Adelphi Authors" series. Prof. Zaccarini was invited by Kathleen Lodwick, author of *Crusaders Against Opium: Protestant Missionaries in China, 1874-1917*, to contribute a chapter to a book that will be published shortly by Eastbridge Publications: *The Missionary Kaleidoscope*. Prof. Zaccarini is a reviewer for the *Palma Research Journal*, Notre Dame University, Zouk, Lebanon. Recently, Prof. Zaccarini completed a review of the 2002 publication by the historian Catherine Forslund, "Anna Chennault, Informal Diplomacy and Asian Relations," for the *American Historical Association (AHA)*, which is forthcoming. The book is the sixth in the impressive series from *Biographies in United States Foreign Policy*. She is writing entries for the *Encyclopedia of Capitalism*, and she is in the midst of preparing an edited and annotated book of the letters of a woman medical missionary to China. She continues to research the impact of Chinese medicine on Western doctors in China. Book Review for the Forthcoming.

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HISTORY CLUB Announcements and Events

All are invited to join and attend History Club meetings which are held every Wednesday, 1:00 pm, 2nd floor of Blodgett.

On October 22, join the history department for a lecture by Greek Social Psychologist and noted cultural historian Dr. Dimitrios Georgas from the University of Athens, Athens, Greece. Organized by the students of the History Club under the auspices of the Onassis Foundation, his lecture on "Family Structure and Function across Cultures" will be held at 7:30 PM in Room 313 of the University Center. For more information, please contact the history department.