

# ***DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY***

## **NEWSLETTER**

**FALL 2004**

Dear History Student:

Welcome to the 2004-2005 academic year. I've already met with many of you at the History Department meeting with majors (majors' meeting). It is another exciting year for the department. Professor Abdin Chande has joined the faculty and brings his expertise in African history and Islamic history. In addition, Professor Michael LaCombe, who teaches Atlantic World and Latin American history, has been appointed Visiting Professor for the 2004-2005 academic year.

Last year the History Department completed a self-study which culminated with the on-campus visit of an outside evaluator. We are extremely proud of his praise of the history faculty as "successful and dedicated members of the history profession." He also noted that "the department has high morale, impressive collegiality, a rigorous curriculum and very satisfied students. The department's teaching and service demonstrate why history and historians are central to the life of American colleges."

In addition, the Student History Society continues to develop exciting programs.

Advisement is soon with us (the official period begins October 25, 2004). Since both Professors Hidalgo and Kelly are on leave this semester, and the rest of the faculty will be picking up their advisement load, this will be a very busy year. Please make sure you know who your advisor is and check for their office hours. You must allow sufficient time for advisement before you have to register. Keep in mind that only your advisor can validate your registration. The history faculty and I are available to assist you in academic matters. Faculty office hours are posted on the bulletin board inside Blodgett 200 as well as announcements of history department and History Club upcoming events.

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

Professor Martin Haas, Chair

### *A Message from the Student History Society*

The Adelphi Student History Society is now in its third year as a recognized student organization. This year we have planned a very ambitious and interesting semester including lectures from Dr. Jeremy Black of Exeter University and Dr. Joseph Lee of Pace University. We are cosponsoring with NAACP in a symposium regarding segregation, education and affirmative action. We are also cosponsoring with Operation End Hate and Amnesty International in a mock presidential debate and an informational booklet for Adelphi's voting population. In addition, we have planned for a bus trip to the Tenement Museum in November and our first ever Historical Bachelor Auction Charity Fundraiser in December. Many more events are currently being planned in our weekly meetings.

Meetings are held on every Wednesday at 1:00 pm in Blodgett 201. All are welcomed. For more information, please contact the Society's faculty Advisor, Professor Zaccarini or the Society's executive board, David Fuller, Michael Kennedy, Jessica Lancia, Matthew Bursig and Kathy Dodd. More information is available on our website, <http://academics.adelphi.edu/artsci/his/shs/>

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### 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.

## Senior Seminar Schedule

A senior seminar is required of each major to complete the history curriculum. Each seminar has a course prerequisite. The following schedule provides senior seminar offerings through Fall 2007.

Spring 2005	His. 418: <u>Senior Research Seminar: United States History</u> Prof. Zaccarini
---	<i>prerequisite</i> His. 281: <u>History of Women in U.S. I</u> , Fall 2003 or His. 282: <u>History of Women in U.S. II</u> , Spring 2004 or His. 210: <u>Modern China</u> , Fall 2004
Fall 2005	His. 421: <u>Senior Research Seminar: Latin American History</u> Prof. Hidalgo
---	<i>prerequisite</i> His. 290: <u>S/T: Atlantic World I</u> , Fall 2004 or His. 290: <u>S/T: Atlantic World II</u> , Spring 2005
Spring 2006	His. 418: <u>Senior Research Seminar: United State History</u> Prof. Haas
---	<i>prerequisite</i> His. 230: <u>American Diplomatic History I</u> , Spring '05 or His. 231: <u>American Diplomatic History II</u> , Fall 2005
Fall 2006	His. 443: <u>Senior Research Seminar: English History</u> Prof. Starkey
---	<i>prerequisite</i> His. 215: <u>Tudor-Stuart England</u> , Spring 2006
Spring 2007	His. 418: <u>Senior Research Seminar: United States History</u> Prof. Cavallo
---	<i>prerequisite</i> His. 329: <u>History of American Ideas I</u> , Fall 2005 or His. 330: <u>History of American Ideas II</u> , Spring 2006 or His. 290: <u>S/T: The Sixties</u> , Fall 2006
Fall 2007	His. 443: <u>Senior Research Seminar: European History</u> Prof. Kelly
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## Spring 2005

### COURSES BY DAY AND HOUR

#### Monday-Wednesday-Friday

8:00 - 8:50 am	0136-106-03	World Civilizations II	Prof. Chande
9:00 - 9:50 am	0136-223-01	The Caribbean	Prof. LaCombe
10:00 - 10:50 am	0136-106-04	World Civilizations II	Prof. Chande
10:00 - 10:50 am	0136-290-05	S/T: Modern History and Contemporary Politics of East Asia; China; Japan; and Koreas	Prof. Sullivan
11:00 - 11:50 am	0136-104-03	American Civilization II	Prof. Zaccarini
11:00 - 11:50 am	0136-362-01	African History II	Prof. Chande
12:00 - 12:50 pm	0136-290-03	S/T: Atlantic World II	Prof. LaCombe

#### Monday-Wednesday

8:00 - 9:15 am	0136-418-01	Senior Seminar in U.S. History <b><u>Prerequisite:</u> HIS 281, 282, or 210</b>	Prof. Zaccarini
2:25 - 3:40 pm	0136-106-91	World Civilizations II (Honors)	Prof. LaCombe
2:25 - 3:40 pm	0136-418-02	Senior Seminar in U.S. History <b><u>Prerequisite:</u> HIS 281, 282, or 210</b>	Prof. Zaccarini

#### Tuesday-Thursday

8:00 - 9:15 am	0136-106-01	World Civilizations II	Prof. Skinner
8:00 - 9:15 am	0136-250-01	Geography in History	Prof. Kelly
9:25 - 10:40 am	0136-250-02	Geography in History	Prof. Kelly
9:25 - 10:40 am	0136-290-02	S/T: Warfare in the Western World	Prof. Starkey
10:50-12:05 pm	0136-102-01	Western Civilization II	Prof. Starkey
10:50-12:05 pm	0136-230-01	American Diplomatic History I	Prof. Haas
12:15- 1:30 pm	0136-106-02	World Civilizations II	Prof. Skinner
12:15 - 1:30 pm	0136-238-01	Europe, 1918-1945	Prof. Kelly
1:40 - 2:55 pm	0136-102-91	Western Civilization II (Honors)	Prof. Starkey
1:40 - 2:55 pm	0136-104-01	American Civilization Since 1865	Prof. Cavallo
1:40 - 2:55 pm	0136-305-01	History of African-American II	Prof. Darling
3:05 - 4:20 pm	0136-104-02	American Civilization Since 1865	Prof. Cavallo
3:05 - 4:20 pm	0136-245-01	Modern Russia	Prof. Skinner

#### Once A Week

T	3:05 - 5:35 pm	0136-290-04	S/T: Cultural History of India	Prof. Olsen
W	3:05 - 5:35 pm	0136-290-01	S/T: The Sixties	Prof. Cavallo
R	6:00 - 8:30 pm	0136-201-01	Sophomore Seminar Research Skills	Prof. Cavallo

## **Faculty Profiles**

Last spring, **Prof. Cavallo** received a contract from Longman Publishers to edit a textbook tentatively titled "American Families/American History: A Reader in Social History." The essays will include a new one by Prof. Cavallo on family life during the 1950s. Also, he has begun research on an article dealing with sectionalism and "culture wars" tentatively titled "One Nation Invisible: The Folly of American Nationhood." If that one doesn't get him deported--he prefers the south of France--he'll have to try harder next time.

During the past one year, **Professor Chande** published many encyclopedia articles in **Historical Companion to Postcolonial Literatures; Encyclopedia of Modern Middle East and North Africa; the Encyclopedia of Islam and the Muslim World; and Encyclopedia of Holy People in the World Religions**. He has just completed an article (40 pages long, co-authored with the late Prof. Nehemia Levtzion, one of the foremost historians of Islam in Africa) which will be published in the **Encyclopedia of Religion** 2d ed. He also published an article entitled "Symbolism and Allegory (Myth) in the Qur'an: Muhammad Asad's modernist translation" in the *Journal of Muslim-Christian relations* (2004), which examines the views of a major modernist Muslim thinker of the twentieth century [an Austrian, formerly known as Leopold Weiss]. The book, edited by Randall Pouwels and N. Levtzion, **History of Islam in Africa** (Columbus: Ohio University Press, 2000), to which he was a contributor, was selected twice, first by Choice and then by the History Book Club as an outstanding title. Recently he has been working on some articles for the **Encyclopedia of Antislavery, Abolition, and Emancipation**. His long term project is a study of the Middle Eastern dimension of the African Diaspora--a case study of Saudi Arabia.

**Prof. Haas** continues to serve as the chair of the history department and the chairperson of the Faculty Senate. He wrote two book reviews last year and continues to write two or three essays a month for the Cinema Arts Centre Folio.

**Prof. Kelly** has been promoted to full professor, and is on sabbatical for fall, 2004. He has completed eight chapters of his Tirpitz biography, and hopes to complete three or four more by January, which would make a ms about 2/3 finished. The Naval Institute Press of Annapolis is interested in publishing it when completed. In May/June 2004 he visited the German Military Archive in Freiburg, and attended a conference on German Naval History at the German Military History Research Office in Potsdam.

**Prof. LaCombe** is completing work on his doctoral dissertation, "Food and Authority in the English Atlantic World, 1570-1640," which he will defend for New York University in the spring of 2005. He participated in the Omohundro Institute for Early American History and Culture's conference on Jamestown in March 2004. His paper, "Feasting and Foodways as Cultural Mediators" is currently under consideration for a volume commemorating the 400th anniversary of Jamestown's founding.

**Prof. Skinner's** article "Borderlands of Faith: Reconsidering the Origins of a Ukrainian Tragedy" was accepted for publication in the journal *Slavic Review* for the spring 2005 issue. Critiquing traditional political and economic arguments, this article asserts that religious causes led to the 1768 uprising in Ukraine that claimed the lives of some 20,000 victims. Over the summer, she wrote a comparative review of books in the field of Russian Orthodox history that will be published in the journal *Kritika: Explorations in Russian and Eurasian History*. Last spring, Prof. Skinner presented papers at the Southern Conference on Slavic Studies in Roanoke, Virginia and the American Catholic Historical Association spring conference in Miami, Florida that also reflect her research on the religious situation in the Russian-Polish borderlands in the 18<sup>th</sup> century.

**Prof. Starkey's** book **War in the Age of the Enlightenment, 1700-1789** was published by Greenwood/Praeger in November, 2003. In the past year he has been a book reviewer for **The Historian** and **The Register of the Kentucky Historical Society**. His current long-term project is an evaluation of Thomas Jefferson's attitude toward war and his military and naval policies.

**Prof. Zaccarini** continues the research for her second book about how Western women doctors both rejected and incorporated Chinese medicine and has written two articles related to this topic. She wrote "Evangelism, Medical Work and Women Missionary Physicians to China from the Nineteenth through mid-twentieth centuries," to be presented in Taipei, Taiwan, November 17, 2004 and published by Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan. In addition to several encyclopedia articles for the Dictionary of Sino-American Relations and a book review for the Canadian Journal of History, she has also written "Nation-state building and Protestant medical missionary efforts in the years surrounding the Nanking Decade," to be presented at the Association for Asian Studies Mid-Atlantic Conference on October 23. The latter explores missionaries' significance in China's state-building efforts in the area of public health during the Nanking Decade (1928-1937).