

Brief Course Outline

Course Title: History in the Headlines

Course Number and Section:

HISTORY

1817G 550

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Course Description:

Knowledge of the past is necessary to understand the political crises of our present. This class will teach students how to curate knowledgeably the flood of news in the modern global media, by asking them to research and assess six historical claims in contemporary headlines.

Learning Outcomes:

This course aims to help students to analyze sources of historical knowledge and explain the role of history in understanding our present circumstances.

This course will foster students' ability to read and think critically, to organize and communicate ideas in both written and oral forms, and to conduct historical research.

Textbooks and Course Materials:

All required readings are available on the course website on OWL or online through the links provided in the syllabus.

Methods Of Evaluation:

Assignment	Due Date mm/dd/yy	Weight - %
Participation	Weekly	15%
Commemoration Text	01/17/2025	10%
Ukrainian History Reflection	01/23/2025	5%
Book Review Essay	02/25/2025	20%
Source Analysis Report	03/18/2025	20%
Source Analysis Group Presentation	In consultation with instructor	10%
Exam	TBD	20%

In solidarity with the Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee, Lūnaapéewak, and Chonnonton peoples on whose traditional treaty and unceded territories this course is shared.

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