

Brief Course Outline

Course Title: Homefront Britain during World War Two

Course Number and Section: HISTORY 2420G 550

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Course Description:

This course explores daily life in Britain during the extraordinary events of the Second World War. Each week students will use diaries, letters, photographs, newspapers, films and propaganda to examine themes such as rationing, the black market, bombing raids, refugees and foreign soldiers, crime and violence, and the mass evacuation of children.

Learning Outcomes:

By the end of the course, you should be able to:

- 1. Recognize and define the main themes in the history of Britain's WW2 home front history;
- 2. Analyse and discuss relevant primary sources across a range of media;
- 3. Develop close reading and writing skills and effectively organize to meet deadlines;
- 4. Question and evaluate historiographical debates relating to WW2;
- 5. Engage with the question of WW2 history's relevance to the present.

Textbooks and Course Materials:

There are no texts to purchase for this course; all material will be available through OWL or online.

Methods Of Evaluation:

Assignment	Due Date mm/dd/yy	Weight - %
Primary Source Assignment	Feb 7	25%
Class Presentation		10%
Participation		20%
Film Response	Mar 7	15%

Assignment	Due Date mm/dd/yy	Weight - %
Final Exam		30%

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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