

Brief Course Outline

Course Title: **Masculinities in Modern History**

Course Number and Section:

HISTORY

4802F 550

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Course Description:

This class explores the field of masculinities in historical research. It begins with an overview of the theoretical literature on gender and masculinities and then proceeds chronologically through the modern period examining historians' observations about masculinities in a variety of historical and national contexts. Students will, for example, discuss the changing nature and impact of masculinities with respect to democracy, nationalism, work, Empire, feminism, war, and decolonization. Students should emerge from the course with a sound understanding of both the theoretical basis for masculinities studies and the relevant histories.

Learning Outcomes:

Improved writing skills

Improved research skills

Improved confidence discussing ideas in group settings

Improved critical and analytical thinking

Improved reasoning and logical thinking

Improved ability to work with a group or partner

Improved ability to read texts closely and critically

Improved time organization skills

Development of understanding of gender theory

Development of understanding of masculinities theory

Improved knowledge of modern history

Development of the ability to understand the relevance of gender and masculinities to the contemporary world and to history

Textbooks and Course Materials:

None. All readings are available online through the library catalogue or through the library's course readings service.

Methods Of Evaluation:

Assignment	Due Date mm/dd/yy	Weight - %
Leadership of group discussion		25
Participation		25
Major Research Essay	11/06/2025	25
Final Exam		25

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