

Introduction to Modern history. Reading list

Seminar I: "What is Modern and Contemporary History?"

Instructor: Lars M Andersson

Texts

Evans, Richard J. "The Journal of Contemporary History and its Editors", *Journal of Contemporary History* 2015, Vol. 50(4) pp. 710–737 (27 pages) JSTOR

Schlesinger Jr, Arthur, "On the Writing of Contemporary History", *The Atlantic* March 1967 (12 pages)
39 pages

Seminar II: "State of the Art"

Instructor: Lars M Andersson

Texts

Drayton, Richard, "Where Does the World Historian Write From? Objectivity, Moral Conscience and the Past and Present of Imperialism", *Journal of Contemporary History* Vol. 46, No. 3, JULY 2011 At the Crossroads of Past and Present — 'Contemporary' History and the Historical Discipline pp. 671–685 (14 pages) JSTOR

Eley, Geoff, "The Past under Erasure? History, Memory, and the Contemporary", *Journal of Contemporary History* Vol. 46, No. 3, JULY 2011 At the Crossroads of Past and Present — 'Contemporary' History and the Historical Discipline, pp. 555–573 (18 pages) JSTOR

Hart, Roderick P. & Elvin T. Lim, "Tracking the Language of Space and Time, 1948–2008", *Journal of Contemporary History* Vol. 46, No. 3, JULY 2011 At the Crossroads of Past and Present — 'Contemporary' History and the Historical Discipline, pp. 591–609 (17 pages) JSTOR

Palmowski, Jan, "The Europeanization of the Nation–State", *Journal of Contemporary History* Vol. 46, No. 3, JULY 2011 At the Crossroads of Past and Present — 'Contemporary' History and the Historical Discipline, pp. 631–657 (26 pages) JSTOR

Riall, Lucy, "The Shallow End of History? The Substance and Future of Political Biography", *The Journal of Interdisciplinary History* Vol. 40, No. 3, Biography and History: Inextricably Interwoven (Winter 2010), pp. 375–397 (22 pages) JSTOR

Spohr Readman, Kristina, "Contemporary History in Europe: From Mastering National Pasts to the Future of Writing the World", *Journal of Contemporary History* Vol. 46, No. 3, JULY 2011 At the Crossroads of Past and Present — 'Contemporary' History and the Historical Discipline, pp. 506–530 (25 pages) JSTOR

Vinen, Richard, "The Poisoned Madeleine: The Autobiographical Turn in Historical Writing", *Journal of Contemporary History* Vol. 46, No. 3, JULY 2011 At the Crossroads of Past and Present — 'Contemporary' History and the Historical Discipline, pp. 531–554 (23 pages) JSTOR

145 pages

Seminar III: "The Age of Extremes. Characteristics"

Instructor: Lars M Andersson

Texts

Berman, Sheri, *The primacy of politics: social democracy and the making of Europe's twentieth century*, Cambridge, 2006, pp. 1–20, 152–176, 200–218 (In total 62 pages)

Hobsbawm, Eric J., *Age of extremes: the short twentieth century 1914–1991*, London 1994, pp. IX–XII , 2–17, 21–177, 199–222 (In total 188 pages)

250 pages

Seminar IV: “Understanding Modernity”

Instructor: Lars M Andersson

Texts

Bauman, Zygmunt, *Modernity and the Holocaust*, Cambridge, 1991 pp. 1–111, 149–168 (In total 129 pages)

Scott, James C., *Seeing like a state: how certain schemes to improve the human condition have failed*, New Haven, 1998, pp. 1–102 (In total 101 pages)

Wagner, Peter, “Modernity: understanding our present time”, *Lychnos Frontier: In Studies into Society and Culture* 2018 (4 pages)

234 pages

Seminar V: “Coming to terms with the past”

Instructor: Lars M Andersson

Texts

Clark, Phil, “Rwanda’s Recovery. When Remembrance Is Official Policy”, *Foreign Affairs* Vol 97, Nr 1 January/February 2018, pp 35–41 (6 pages)

Evans, Richard J., “From Nazism to Never Again. How Germany Came to Terms with its Past”, *Foreign Affairs* Vol 97, Nr 1 January/February 2018, pp. 8–16 (8 pages)

Gordon Reed, Anette, “America’s Original Sin. Slavery and the Legacy of White Supremacy”, *Foreign Affairs* Vol 97, Nr 1 January/February 2018, pp. 2–8 (6 pages)

Kochlin, Peter, “Whiteness Studies: The New History of Race in America”, *The Journal of American History* Vol. 89, No. 1 (Jun., 2002), pp. 154–173 (19 pages) JSTOR

Msimang, Sisonke, “All is not forgiven. South Africa and the Scars of Apartheid”, *Foreign Affairs* Vol 97, Nr 1 January/February 2018, pp. 28–35 (7 pages)

Müller, Jan-Werner, “European Intellectual History as Contemporary History”, *Journal of Contemporary History* Vol. 46, No. 3, JULY 2011 At the Crossroads of Past and Present — 'Contemporary' History and the Historical Discipline, pp. 574–590 (16 pages) JSTOR

Nikita Petrov, “Don’t Speak Memory. How Russia Represses its Past”, *Foreign Affairs* Vol 97, Nr 1 January/February 2018, pp. 16–22 (6 pages)

Schell, Orville, “China’s Cover-Up. When Communists Rewrite History”, *Foreign Affairs* Vol 97, Nr 1 January/February 2018, pp. 22–28 (6 pages)

74 pages

Seminar VI: "History on trial and the historian as expert witness and fortune teller"

Instructors: Lars M Andersson & Heléne Lööw

Texts

Evans, Richard J., "History, Memory, and the Law: The Historian as Expert Witness", *History and Theory* Vol. 41, No. 3 (Oct., 2002), pp. 326–345 (19 pages) JSTOR

Evans Richard, *Telling lies about Hitler. The Holocaust, History and the David Irving Trial*, London & New York 2002, pp. 1–45, 193–231 (83 pages)

Fukuyama, Francis, "The End of History?", *The National Interest* No. 16 (Summer 1989), pp. 3–18 (15 pages) JSTOR

Fukuyama, Francis, "Reflections on the End of History, Five Years Later", *History and Theory* Vol. 34, No. 2, Theme Issue 34: World Historians and Their Critics (May, 1995), pp. 27–43 (16 pages) JSTOR

Hopf, Joseph Ted & John Lewis Gaddis, "Getting the End of the Cold War Wrong", *International Security* Vol. 18, No. 2 (Fall, 1993), pp. 202–210 (8 pages)

London, Herbert, "'On the End of History'", *International Journal on World Peace* Vol. 6, No. 3 (JUL–SEP 1989), pp. 20–22 (2 pages) JSTOR

Turner, Mathew, Historians as Expert Witnesses: How do Holocaust Perpetrator Trials Shape Historiography? *Working Paper No 22 Alfred Deakin Research Institute Australia* November 2011, (6 pages) (Available on line as pdf)

Zainaldin, Jamil, "The Price of the Truth: History, Deborah Lipstadt and the Libel Trial", *Noteworthy*, Jan 1, 2002 (5 pages)

154 pages

Seminar VII: "The Historian as public intellectual"

Instructor: Niklas Stenlås & Lars M Andersson

Texts

Judt, Tony (with Tomothy Snyder), *Thinking the Twentieth Century*, London 2012, pp. IX–XVII, 195–283 (In total 96 pages)

McBride, Ian, "The Shadow of the Gunman: Irish Historians and the IRA", *Journal of Contemporary History* Vol. 46, No. 3, JULY 2011 At the Crossroads of Past and Present — 'Contemporary' History and the Historical Discipline, pp. 686–710 (24 pages) JSTOR

Nussbaum, Martha C., *Not for Profit: Why Democracy Needs the Humanities*, Princeton 2010 The Public Square (Free to download as pdf), pp. 1–11 (10 pages)

Palmowski, Jan & Kristina Spohr Readman, "Speaking Truth to Power: Contemporary History in the Twenty-first Century", *Journal of Contemporary History* Vol. 46, No. 3, JULY 2011 At the Crossroads of Past and Present — 'Contemporary' History and the Historical Discipline, pp. 485–505 (20 pages) JSTOR

Plus three shorter articles to be announced

180 pages

Seminar VIII: “The Embarrassment of riches. How to avoid drowning?” (Lecture)

Instructor: Tomislav Dulic

Texts

Cole, Juan, “Blogging Current Affairs History”, *Journal of Contemporary History* Vol. 46, No. 3, JULY 2011 At the Crossroads of Past and Present — 'Contemporary' History and the Historical Discipline, pp. 658–670 (12 pages) JSTOR

12 pages

Seminar IX: “Something new under the Sun”. Environmental & Global/World history

Instructor: Lars M Andersson

Texts

Bauman, Zygmunt, *Globalization: the human consequences*, London, 1998 (127 pages)

McNeill, J. R., *Something New Under the Sun: An Environmental History of the Twentieth-Century World*, London 2001 (200 pages)

Sörlin, Sverker, “The Contemporaneity of Environmental History: Negotiating Scholarship, Useful History, and the New Human Condition”, *Journal of Contemporary History* Vol. 46, No. 3, JULY 2011 At the Crossroads of Past and Present — 'Contemporary' History and the Historical Discipline, pp. 610–630 (20 pages) JSTOR

Wiesner–Hanks, Merry, “World History and the History of Women, Gender, and Sexuality”, *Journal of World History* Vol. 18, No. 1 (Mar., 2007), pp. 53–67 (14 pages) JSTOR

361 pages

Seminar X & XI: “Reading and writing history”

Instructors: Patrik Winton & Maria Ågren

Texts

Joint seminars with The Early Modern History program. Readings – one short text – will be announced during the course.

Seminar XII: “Lessons from the past”

Instructor: Lars M Andersson

Texts

“Applied History Manifesto” (Graham Allison & Niall Ferguson 2016)

<https://www.belfercenter.org/project/applied-history-project#!manifesto> (3 pages)

Pinkham, Sophie, “Zombie History. Timothy Snyder’s bleak vision of the past and present”, *The Nation*, May 3 2018 (14 pages)

Snyder, Timothy, *On tyranny: twenty lessons from the twentieth century*, London, 2017 (126 pages)

140 pages

In total 1592 pages