

History Department Advisement Newsletter

For Fall 2021



Fall 2021 Elective Courses:

HIS302: Colonial America (Tucker)
HIS332: Ancient Greece (Frye)
HIS336: Monsters in Euro Culture (Moore)
HIS339: Hist Modern Germany (Moore)
HIS362: People of Color in American Wars (Naumec)
HIS362: Indochina at War (Davis)
HIS388: Digital Windham (Kirchmann/Ostwald)
HIS392: Religion, War, and Peace in Early Modern Europe (Ostwald)
HIS406: The Caesars (Frye)

REGISTER ON-TIME!

| Class | Advisement | Registration |
|-------------------|------------|--------------|
| Senior (90+ CR) | 8 March | 15 March |
| Junior (60-89 CR) | 15 March | 22 March |
| Soph (30-59 CR) | 22 March | 29 March |
| Fresh (<30 CR) | 5 April | 12 April |

Make an appointment with your advisor **before** your registration date. Only faculty give codes.

Important Dates:

Due to COVID, we still don't know the exact modality for Fall courses, but we hope to be back to normal. Be sure to check the updated Fall schedule on the Registrar's website for current information.

Department News

- Drs. **Carenen** and **Balcerski** will be on well-deserved sabbaticals for 2021-2022. Dr. Carenen will return in Spring 2022, and Dr. Balcerski will return in Fall 2022.
- **Congratulations** to Dr. Carenen for her new book, *An Introductory History of the United States in the Middle East!*
- If you are interested in an **internship**, check out the History Department website under internships for details. Internship opportunities are often advertised in blog posts. Contact the History internship coordinator Dr. Kirchmann if you have questions.
- If you have any **news or history-related experience** (travel abroad, visits to historical sites, interesting historical readings, etc.) that you would like to share, please send pertinent information to Dr. Ostwald for posting on the **History Department Blog**.
- Keep an eye out for upcoming opportunities to meet and network with the **Alumni Collaboration**.

Fall 2021 Seminar

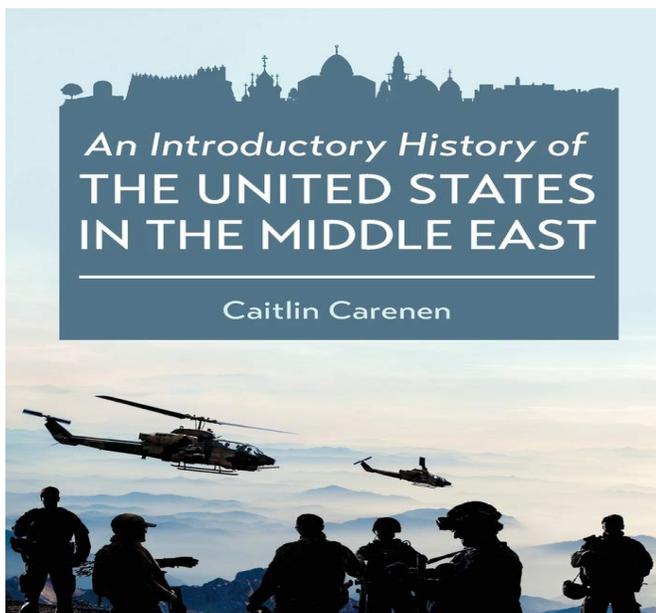
HIS406: The Caesars (Frye)

The emperors of Rome have captivated historians for more than two thousand years. But more often than not, the policies, wars, and political machinations of the emperors have been overshadowed by their depravities, idiosyncrasies, and personality defects. This tendency originated in ancient biographies. Therefore, in this seminar, we will examine the primary sources from the first century-and-a-half of the Roman Empire to see if we can find the truth beneath the propaganda and tabloid history.

Spring 2022 Seminars

HIS400: Immigration & Ethnicity in New England (Kirchmann)

HIS200 and 18 credits in History (including three 3xx-level or higher courses) are required to register for a History seminar.



Congratulations to Dr. Carenen on her latest book! You can get your copy at fine bookstores!

New Upper-Level Courses

HIS362: People of Color in American Wars (Naumec)

The course broadly explores the experience of people of color during armed conflicts fought in North America during the Contact period, Colonization as well as later wars fought by the United States. Individuals and communities studies in this course include those of Native American, African, Asian, Hispanic, and mixed-racial descent. This unique study of American Military History will necessarily include discussion of evolving perceptions of race, from the period of European-Native American Contact through the late 20th Century.

HIS362: Indochina at War (Davis)

This course will examine the area known as “Indochina” during a period of sustained military conflict, roughly 1945-1991. We will devote ourselves to understanding several geographic and political contexts in Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos, and, to a lesser extent China. Despite the heavy shadow of US military involvement, we will focus on the local and regional dynamics that shaped the historical experiences of communities and individuals and which continue to animate memories and commemorations. Necessarily, Russo-American strategic competition during the Cold War will be viewed from the perspective of East and Southeast Asia and its long-term realities.

HIS388: Digital Windham (Kirchmann/Ostwald) - 4 credits, capped at 15 students

The History Department and its Digital History Lab are developing a long-term digital history project about Windham and Willimantic. In this course we will identify important places, people, and events that made this community unique. Students will locate and analyze local historical resources, such as documents, photographs, maps, etc., and place them within a larger historical context. Using digital history skills (no prior digital experience necessary), students will then learn how to present this information in a public-facing way. The course will be co-taught by Professors Kirchmann and Ostwald. Come learn about local history and contribute to Digital Windham!