# STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY CANTON, NEW YORK



## **MASTER SYLLABUS**

# HIST 315 – CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND REVOLUTION IN TWENTIETH-CENTURY EUROPE

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**A.** <u>TITLE</u>: Children, Youth, and Revolution in Twentieth-Century Europe

B. COURSE NUMBER: HIST 315

**C. CREDIT HOURS:** 3 Lecture Hours per Week for 15 Weeks

**D.** WRITING INTENSIVE COURSE: No

**E. GER CATEGORY:** GER 3 & GER 10

**F. SEMESTER(S) OFFERED:** Fall or Spring

## G. COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course examines the ways in which children and youth experienced the major conflicts, and the political, cultural, and social revolutions of twentieth-century Europe; the place of children and youth within the political ideologies of the century; the development of generational conflict and youth culture; and shifting definitions of children and childhood in the face of conflict and revolutionary change.

### **H. PRE-REQUISITES/CO-REQUISITES:** 30 credit hours, ENGL 101, or permission of instructor

# I. STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:

| Course Student Learning Outcome [SLO]  | GER 3 | GER 10 | ISLO & Sub-Sets |
|--|-------|--------|-----------------|
| a. Demonstrate an understanding of the impact of totalitarianism on the lives of children and youth in twentieth-century Europe  | 2     |        |                 |
| b. Analyze the impact of the major armed conflicts of twentieth-century Europe on families, children, and youth                  | 2     | 1      | 2<br>[CA]       |
| c. Demonstrate an understanding of children, youth, and childhood as social and cultural constructs, dependent on time and place | 1     | 2      | 2<br>[CA]       |
| d. Identify the characteristics of European youth cultures   |       | 1      |                 |
| e. Analyze the relationship between the child, the state, and supranational organizations in Europe in the twentieth century     | 3     | 2      |                 |
| f. Evaluate and analyze primary and secondary sources to examine the relationship between history and memory                     |       |        |                 |

#### GER 3

Students will demonstrate:

- 1. describe the historical and contemporary societal factors that shape the development of individual and group identity involving race, class, and gender;
- 2. analyze the role that complex networks of social structures and systems play in the creation and perpetuation of the dynamics of power, privilege, oppression, and opportunity; and

3. apply the principles of rights, access, equity, and autonomous participation to past, current, or future social justice action.

#### **GER 10**

Students will demonstrate:

- 1. demonstrate knowledge of a broad outline of world history and/or the development of the distinctive features of at least one civilization or culture in relation to other regions of the world; and
- 2. demonstrate an understanding of the structures, systems, and interrelationships among civilizations and cultures within historical and/or contemporary contexts, and their impact on wellbeing and sustainability.

| KEY    | Institutional Student Learning Outcomes  |  |
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|        | [ISLO 1 – 5]   |  |
| ISLO # | ISLO & Subsets   |  |
| 1      | Communication Skills   |  |
|        | Oral [O], Written [W]  |  |
| 2      | Critical Thinking  |  |
|        | Critical Analysis [CA], Inquiry & Analysis [IA], Problem Solving [PS]                    |  |
| 3      | Foundational Skills  |  |
|        | Information Management [IM], Quantitative Lit, /Reasoning [QTR]                          |  |
| 4      | Social Responsibility  |  |
|        | Ethical Reasoning [ER], Global Learning [GL], Intercultural Knowledge [IK], Teamwork [T] |  |
| 5      | Industry, Professional, Discipline Specific Knowledge and Skills                         |  |

#### J. APPLIED LEARNING COMPONENT: No

**K. TEXTS:** To be determined by the instructor

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- M. **EQUIPMENT:** Technology Enhanced Classroom
- N. GRADING METHOD: A -F

## O. SUGGESTED MEASUREMENT CRITERIA/METHODS:

Exams • Quizzes • Assignments • Participation/Discussion • Projects

#### P. <u>DETAILED COURSE OUTLINE</u>:

- I. Introduction
  - A. What is the history of childhood?
  - B. History and Memory
  - C. European Children and Families on the Eve of WWI
- II. The Great War and Russian Revolution
  - A. WWI: Mobilization of children and childhood
  - B. WWI: Experiencing war on the home front
  - C. WWI: Orphans and the state

#### D. Children and the Russian Revolution

- III. International Child Saving in the Wake of WWI
  - A. Eglantyne Jebb and Save the Children
  - B. The League of Nations and Children's Rights
- IV. Fascism, Communism, Children, and Youth in the 1930s and 1940s
  - A. Fascist Ideology, Family Policy, and Children in Italy
  - B. Fascist Ideology, Family Policy, and Children in Germany
  - C. Children and the Spanish Civil War
  - D. Political Mobilization of Youth in the 1930s and 1940s
- V. World War II
  - A. Hitler Youth and Nazi Childhood
  - B. Children and Youth in Vichy France
  - C. Soviet Children and the Great Patriotic War
  - D. Children and Youth in Britain
  - E. Jewish Children and the Holocaust
- VI. Reuniting Families in the Aftermath of War
  - A. Child-finding
  - B. The United Nations and UNICEF
  - C. War Refugees and Resettlement
- VII. Youth and Postwar Renewal
  - A. Youth in Rebuilding Efforts
  - B. Symbolic Youth
  - C. Juvenile Delinquency and Juvenile Justice Systems
- VIII. Children, Youth, and the Cold War
  - A. "Western" Childhood
  - B. Children in the Communist Family
  - C. Young Pioneers
- IX. Generational Conflict: Youth Cultures and Subcultures in the Postwar Period
  - A. 1950s and Americanization
  - B. Beatlemania
  - C. 1968
  - D. Anarchy in the UK: Punk Rock and Youth Rebellion
- X. Childhood, Ethnicity, and Race in Twentieth-Century Europe
  - A. Black Occupation Children in Postwar Germany
  - B. Colonial Children in the Metropole
- XI. Youth, Revolution, and the Fall of Communism
  - A. Childhood & Youth in a Divided Germany
  - B. Youth, Politics, and the Fall of the Wall
  - C. Children and Youth after the Fall

# XII. Children without Borders

- A. Children, Youth, and the Breakup of Yugoslavia
- B. Children, Youth, and the European Union
- C. Child Refugees in Europe in the Late Twentieth Century
- D. The 1989 U.N. Convention on the Rights of the Child and Children's Rights