History (FAS), Department of

1 New Course:

HIS436H1: Stalinist Terror

Contact Hours: Seminar: 24

Description:

This research seminar explores topics and issues of violence in the Soviet Union in the 1930s, beginning with forced collectivization and ending with the Great Terror. The seminar focuses on new archivally-based research and aims to contextualize Stalinist terror within larger theories of political and social violence.

Prerequisites:

HIS250Y1or HIS351Y1

Corequisites:

Exclusions:

Recommended Preparation:

Breadth Requirements:

Society and its Institutions (3)

Distribution Requirements:

Humanities

Competencies:

Communication: extensively; Critical and Creative Thinking: extensively; Information Literacy: extensively

Quantitative Reasoning: none; Social and Ethical Responsibility: notably

Experiential Learning:

Research: extensively; **Other:** none

Rationale:

This will be the first seminar I have offered that is directly related to my research. In the past, I have offered "field" or "survey" or some topical seminars. The subject is intrinsically interesting to those interested in this time and place. Additionally, research on this subject has changed radically since the archives opened, a fact that only slowly makes its way into the secondary literature. The seminar will complement other courses dealing with violence (e.g. Meyerson, Newton, Bergen). This is an advanced seminar in Russian history, requiring knowledge of the twentieth century.

Consultation:

Resources:

Budget Implications: The academic unit will provide the resources required for this course from existing budget.

Overlap with Existing Courses:

Programs of Study for Which This Course Might be Suitable:

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Estimated Enrolment:	
15	
Instructor:	
Lynne Viola	