

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Department of History

HIST 72H-001 (First Year Honors Seminar in History): Fall 2014

# **WOMEN'S VOICES: Twentieth Century European History in Female Memory**

## **SYLLABUS**

## **Instructor:**

Time of the Course: Location of the Course: Office Hours: Office: Email:

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#### AIMS OF THE COURSE

The course examines twentieth century European history through the lens of women's autobiographical writings. It explores women's voices from different generational, social and national backgrounds. We will read and discuss autobiographical texts by six women, who grew up in middle class families in Austria, Britain, France and Germany and wrote about their lives in the first half of the twentieth century. They all tried to make a difference in society and politics: EMMELINE PANKHURST (1958-1928), a leader of the British suffragette movement; ALICE SALOMON (1872-1948), a liberal Jewish-German social reformer who advocated women's rights and social justice; VERA BRITTAIN (1893-1970), a British student who volunteered in World War I as a nurse and later became a peace activist and writer; TONI SENDER (1888-1964), one of the first female parliamentarians in Weimar Germany, who was active in the Social Democratic Party; GENEVIÈVE DE GAULLE-ANTHONIOZ (1920-2002), a member of the French resistance against Nazi occupation and a survivor of the women's concentration camp Ravensbrück; and RUTH KLÜGER (1931-), an Austrian-Jewish student who survived Auschwitz and later became a professor for German literature in the United States. (See their portrait photos on page 1, on top: Pankhurst, below from left to right: Salmon, Britain, Sender, De Gaulle-Anthonioz and Krüger)

Overarching theme of the course is the struggle of women for equal economic, social and political rights. We will explore which effects political changes, revolutions and wars as well as the Holocaust had on this struggle and the lives of women more general. Through intensive discussions of the reading in class, group work and the opportunity to write a research paper on a female autobiography of their own choice, the course offers students a unique approach to twentieth century European history and will introduce them to historical research and writing.

#### FORMAT OF THE COURSE

Active learning and independent research will play a crucial role in the course. Classes will center on discussion of the assigned readings; therefore it is important that you come having read the reading assignment carefully and come with questions and comments for discussion to each class. You will have to *prepare at least two questions/comments for each reading of every week* and bring them with you to class. Please also *note at least two important quotes from every autobiographical text we read each week* and be prepared to explain why you believe they are important. If you want you can post both on the "Forum" on Sakai. From time to time you will be asked to do so.

The course has no midterm or final examination. Instead, you will have to choose one autobiographical account listed at the end of the syllabus and write a **12-15-page research paper** (including cover page with images and bibliography) on the life and work of this woman and her autobiography. The research paper should be double-spaced, one-sides copies, *12-point-font*, *1 inch margins*). After a brief introduction of the biography of the author and her autobiography, your research paper should explore the following five questions:

- 1) Why did the author write the autobiography?
- 2) What are the major themes in her autobiography?
- 3) In which ways is this woman a reflection of her historical period? Is she representative for women from a similar national, social and cultural background?
- 4) Was this woman important in her time and if so why?
- 5) Is this woman still important for us/you today and if so why?

The research paper needs to include also complete cover page, an introduction, a conclusion and a bibliography that differentiates between primary and secondary sources as well as websites.

As a first step you will have to pick an autobiography. At the end of the syllabus you will find an extended list with possible texts. Marked in yellow are the recommended autobiographies, marked in blue are the texts we will read in class and we will have to cover by volunteers. Please send me your picks by email latest until Sunday, September 7, 2014 at noon.

As a second step for the preparation of the research paper you will be asked to prepare a 3-4-page biographical handout on the selected author and her autobiography. In the introductory paragraph of the handout you should explain why you selected this author. In the following paragraph you should briefly present the focus of her autobiography (covered time period, major themes) and the history of the text (when written and published by which publisher in which language, number of editions and translations). The main part of the handout should present in table form the biography of the author. This part should be organized in six sections: I. Childhood and Upbringing; II. Education; III. Work; IV. Family and Friends; V. Political and Social Activities; VI. Major Publications of the Author. At the end of the handout you should add a bibliography of primary and secondary literature and websites that you used for the handout. *Please make sure that your citation is complete follows the style sheet for the course on Sakai*. The DEADLINE for the handout is Tuesday, September 30, 2014.

As a third step you will be asked to hand in a c. 2-3-page proposal of the research paper. The proposal outlines the content of the planned research paper and should include: your name, the draft title of your paper, the title of the autobiography you selected (in complete citation), a list of the primary sources, secondary literature and the websites you intend to use for the research paper. Please limit yourself to up to 10 books and articles of secondary literature in addition to the primary sources and websites make sure that your citation is complete follows the style sheet for the course on Sakai. In addition, please summarize your answers for each of the five questions you have to explore in the research paper in one brief paragraph:

- 1) Why did the author write the autobiography?
- 2) What are the major themes in her autobiography?
- 3) In which ways is this woman a reflection of her historical period? Is she representative for women from a similar national, social and cultural background?
- 4) Was this woman important in her time and if so why?
- 5) Is this woman still important for us/you today and if so why?

#### The DEADLINE for the proposal of the research paper is Tuesday, October 28, 2014.

At the end of the term you will be asked, as a *fourth step*, to present your research with a *8-minute PowerPoint presentation*. Everybody will have 15 minutes for the presentation and questions by the class. The Presentations are Tuesday November 25 and December 2, 2014. The DEADLINES for the electronic submission of the PowerPoint is Sunday, November 23, 2014.

And finally your will have to submit the *final research* paper, the DEADLINE is Wednesday, December 3, 2014.

For more information see the guide for the assignments and grading on Sakai.

#### **SUMMARY OF ASSIGNMENTS**

Five Assignments will contribute to the final grade in the course:

Course Participation	(25 percent)
<b>Biographical Handout</b> (3-4 pages)	(15 percent)
Proposal of the Research Paper (2-3 pages)	(5 percent)
PowerPoint Presentation (8-minute)	(20 percent)

#### GRADING

The written and oral assignments are intended to help develop the skills of systematic inquiry, critical analysis, and clear expression necessary for historical research. Accordingly, evaluations will be based on three major, closely-related criteria:

- mastery of the relevant material
- development of an argument or point of view that is pertinent to the issue at hand and that has breadth, coherence, and insight, and
- expression of ideas in clear, concise, even engaging prose.

#### These criteria will translate into grades as follows:

A—excellent. Outstanding in all three areas. Offers integrated, insightful coverage based on ample, sound evidence.

B-good. Strong in all three areas or notable strengths in one balanced by significant weakness in another.

C-average. Adequate performance in one or more areas offset by serious weakness in others that leaves the presentation fragmented, murky, or narrow.

**D**—**poor**. Notable problems in all three areas. Remedial work needed to improve substantive understanding or basic communication.

F—unacceptable. Serious flaws in all three areas. No evident engagement in the assignment.

## SUPPORT FOR YOUR RESEARCH

In this research-exposure course, you will be working with a Graduate Research Consultant (GRC), who will assist you in the research project. The GRC Program is sponsored by the Office for Undergraduate Research (<u>www.unc.edu/depts/our</u>), and you may be able to use this research-exposure course to meet a requirement of the Carolina Research Scholars Program (<u>http://www.unc.edu/depts/our/students/students\_crsp.html</u>). I encourage you to visit the OUR website to learn about how you might engage in research, scholarship and creative performance while you are at Carolina.

The GRC will help all students with their research. She will participate in the first classes so that you get to know her, and afterwards will offer next to the instructor weekly office hours, during which you can come with all your questions and ask for support. The GRC will

- discuss your project idea with you;
- help you to find the necessary literature for your project, compile a bibliography, and write the *4-page handout* and the *2-page paper proposals* on the selected author and her autobiography;
- support you in the process of your further research and the writing of the research paper;
- and offer you to read a draft of your research paper for feedback.

**Every student has to meet the GRC at least two times during the course**, first during September before you hand in the *3-4-page handout*, and second during October to discuss your further developed plans for the research paper.

#### **REQUIRED READINGS**

Chapters of the following autobiographies we will read in class. I will place these chapters on *Sakai*. You will find the autobiographies **on reserve in the UNC Undergraduate Library**:

- VERA BRITTAIN, *Testament of Youth: An Autobiographical Study of the Years 1900-1925* (New York: Penguin Classics, 2005, first published in 1933) (UNC Store)
- GENEVIEVE DE GAULLE-ANTHONIOZ, *The Dawn of Hope: A Memoir of Ravensbrück* (New York: Arcade Publishing, 1999). (UNC Store)
- RUTH KLÜGER, *Still Alive: A Holocaust Girlhood Remembered* (New York: Feminist Press at the City University of New York, 2001). (UNC Store)
- EMMELINE PANKHURST, My Own Story (Westport: Greenwood Press, 1985). (PDF on Sakai)
- ALICE SALOMON, *Character is Destiny: The Autobiography of Alice Salomon* (Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press, 2004). (UNC Store)
- TONI SENDER, *The Autobiography of a German Rebel* (New York, The Vanguard Press, 1939). (PDF on Sakai)

To provide you with an overview over twentieth century European women's history we will integrate in the course the reading and discussion of parts of the following books:

- RACHEL G. FUCHS, *Women in Nineteenth Europe* (Basingstoke and New York: Palgrave MacMillan, 2005)
- ANN T. ALLEN, *Women in Twentieth-Century Europe* (Basingstoke and New York: Palgrave MacMillan, 2007)

You will also find these books in the Textbook Department of the UNC Student Stores.

#### SAKAI

To help you to track the historical development in Europe and important events, you will find on *SAKAI* the following material: a timeline, maps, a bibliography with selected literature, and useful links.

I also will be using SAKAI to make updates of the Syllabus, readings and other course materials, as well as announcements available to you.

- Under "*Syllabus*" you will find the updated syllabus;
- Under "*Resources*" you will find the following folders:
  - "Course Reading" with the weekly readings;
  - "Supplementary Documents" with additional material (chronologies, maps, tables);
  - *"Support for Assignments"* with guides for the different assignments, a guideline for good writing, a style sheet with the basics of the Chicago Manual of Style that we will use in this seminar etc.;
  - "Bibliographies, Literature and Internet Resources" with an extended bibliography for the seminar and several Online resources including a website especially for this seminar provided by the UNC Davis Library;

We also will use the "*Forum*" on SAKAI, where you can place your questions/comments on the required reading. It will be organized by seminar sessions.

You are expected to check SAKAI regularly and are responsible for the material that appears on it.

We also will communicate regularly by EMAIL. Please check your email regularly too.

For your feedback, comments and questions in respect of the course work I organized a special section in the "Forum" on Sakai that allows anonymous postings.

To access SAKAI:

- 1. Go to http://Sakai.unc.edu
- 2. Type in the name you use for your email and then your password
- 3. You will then receive a list of all the courses for which you are registered this semester. Click on HIST 72H-001.

- 4. Please familiarize yourself with the course web site. It is an essential tool for taking this course.
- 5. If you do not want to use your UNC email address, you must contact the Help Desk at 962-HELP.
- 6. A copy of the syllabus is on Sakai under Course Information. It may be updated periodically.

## **COURSE PROGRAM**

## Week 1:

Tuesday, August 19, 2014 (with GRC)

Introduction I: Let us get started I: Aims and Format of the Course III: Get to know your GRC (Graduate Research Consultant) II: What Is Your (Family) Story? Methodological Theme: What you need to consider, when you select the autobiography?

## Week 2:

#### Tuesday, August 26, 2014 (with GRC)

#### Introduction II: Theory and Methodology

#### I: What is Women's and Gender History?

#### Required Reading:

• SONYA O. ROSE, *What is Gender History*? (Cambridge: Polity Press 2010), chapter 1: Why Gender History?, 1-16.

Methodological Theme:

• What is women's and gender history?

## Break

#### **II:** History and Autobiography

Required Reading:

• MARY JO MAYNES ET AL., eds., *Telling Stories: The Use of Personal Narratives in the Social Sciences and History* (Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 2008), 1-14 and 70-97.

Methodological Theme:

• What are primary documents and how can historians use autobiographies for our historical studies?

#### Methodological Theme:

#### Preparation of the 5-minute presentation of the (auto)biographies in class

## Afterwards Pizza Party: Dinner Conversation: What do you expect from college? What you feel is expected from you?

## Week 3:

## Tuesday, September 2, 2014

## I: Historical Background: Female Education and Upbringing in the Middle Class

Required Background Reading:

• FUCHS / THOMPSON, Women, 43-61 and 84-100.

## Break

## II: Middle Class Women's Memories: Childhood, Family and Education

PRESENTATION OF THE (AUTO)BIOGRAPHIES BY ALICE SALOMON (1872-1948), VERA BRITTAIN (1893-1970) and EMMELINE PANKHURST (1858-1928) BY STUDENTS. (For each presentation not more than 5 minutes.)

Autobiography:

- SALOMON, Character is Destiny, 1Introduction, and 11-23.
- BRITAIN, *Testament*, Preface Foreword, and 17-43.
- PANKHURST, My Own Story, Foreword, and 1-13.

Methodological Themes:

1) What characterizes these three different autobiographies?

2) Preparation of the biographical handout I

Please send your selection and ranking of two autobiographies from the below list (syllabus page 14ff) by Sunday, September 7, 2014, noon, to the instructor.

## Week 4:

Tuesday, September 9, 2014

# I: Historical Background: The Women's Movement Before World War I: Moderate Relational Feminism

Required Reading:

• UTE GERHARD, "The Women's Movement in Germany in an International Context," in ibid., 102-124.

## Break

#### II: Middle Class Women's Memories: Maternalism and Social Work

Autobiography:

• SALOMON, Character is Destiny, 24-47 and 68-80.

#### Methodological Theme:

## Preparation of the biographical handout II

## Week 5:

Tuesday, September 16, 2014

No Class.

This week consultations with the GRC and the instructor about the plans for the research paper

In this and the next week all students are invited to meet the GRC during office hours to talk about their individual questions in respect of the handout and their research project. We will setup appointments.

Week 6:

Tuesday, September 23, 2014 (with GRC) How to do Library Research? An Introduction

Visit of the 4:00-6:30 pm: Libraries – a tour through the UNC libraries and introduction to the library catalogues and our special website. We will the meet librarian Robert Dalton in room: Davis 246

Methodological Themes:

1) How to find secondary and primary literature?

2) How use the Davis Library resources efficiently

3) How to create and write a bibliography and footnotes according to Chicago Manual of Style?

## Week 7:

Tuesday, September 30, 2014

I: STUDENT SUCCESS WORKSHOP: UTILIZING UNIVERSITY RESOURCES

**II:** *Documentary:* "Emmeline Pankhurst (1858-1928) and the Suffragists", Britain, 1994 (55 min.)

More on Emmeline Pankhurst: <u>http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Emmeline\_Pankhurst</u>

Required Reading:

• FUCHS / THOMPSON, *Women*, 155-176 (the same as for week 5).

The handout on the selected author and her autobiography is due. Please bring one copy to class and submit and electronic version by email. We will post all handouts on Sakai so that all students have access to them.

## Week 8:

## Tuesday, October 7, 2014 (with GRC part I)

# *I: Some tips from the GRC to survive your college time (Time management, securing electronic files, professional email communication, course evaluation etc.)*

## II: Historical Background: The Women's Movement Before World War I: Radical Individual Feminism

#### Required Reading:

- FUCHS / THOMPSON, Women, 155-176 (the same as for week 5).
- LAURA E. NYM MAYHALL, *The Militant Suffrage Movement: Citizenship and Resistance in Britain, 1860-1930* (Oxford and New York: Oxford University Press, 2003), 98-116.

#### Break

#### III: Middle Class Women's Memories: The Struggle for Female Suffrage

Autobiography:

• PANKHURST, My Own Story, 37-56, 205-220 and 303-322.

#### Methodological Theme:

1) How to prepare the proposal for the research paper?

## Week 9:

#### Tuesday, October 14, 2014

#### I: Historical Background: Women and the First World War, 1914-1918

Required Reading:

- ALLEN, Women in Twentieth Europe, 6-20.
- SONYA O. ROSE, "Women on the Home Front in World War I," *Journal of British Studies* 42, no. 3 (2003): 406-411.

#### Break

# **II:** Women's Stories: Female War Experiences – 'The Homefront': War Support and War Opposition

PRESENTATION OF THE (AUTO)BIOGRAPHY BY TONI SENDER (1888-1964) BY STUDENT (5 minutes).

Autobiography:

- BRITTAIN, *Testament*, 135-145, 164-173, 205-214 and 405-426.
- SENDER, The Autobiography, 60-90 (in particular 60-80)

## Week 10:

#### Tuesday, October 21, 2014

#### I: Historical Background: The "New Women" in Inter-war Europe

Required Reading:

• ALLEN, Women in Twentieth Europe, 21-41.

• KAREN HAGEMANN, "Men's Demonstrations and Women's Protest: Gender in Collective Action in the Urban Working-Class Milieu during the Weimar Republic," *Gender and History* 5, no. 1 (1993): 101-119.

#### Break

#### **II:** Women's Stories: Gendering Politics and Society the Interwar Year

Autobiography:

- SENDER, *The Autobiography*, 160-167 and 244-249.
- SALOMON, Character is Destiny, 150-158.

In this and the next week all students are invited to meet the GRC during office hours to talk about their individual questions in respect of the proposal for the research paper, esp. der bibliography. We will setup appointments.

## Week 11:

#### Tuesday, October 28, 2014

## I: Historical Background: Women and the Rise of Authoritarian and Totalitarian Sates of the Inter-war and War Years

Required Reading:

- ALLEN, Women in Twentieth Europe, 43-78.
- HELEN L. BOAK, "Our Last Hope: Women's Votes for Hitler A Reappraisal," *German Studies Review* 12 (1989): 289-310

#### Break

#### II: Women's Stories: Women and the Rise of Nazism

Autobiography:

- SENDER, The Autobiography, 275-279 and 294-308.
- SALOMON, Character is Destiny, 158-164.

If you want to explore the background:

Your proposal for your research paper is due. Please bring one copy to class and submit and electronic version by email.

#### Methodological Theme:

**Preparation of the PowerPoint Presentation (What makes a good PowerPoint?)** 

## Week 12:

#### Tuesday, November 4, 2014

## I: Historical Background: Jewish Women's Life in Austria and Nazi Germany before World War II

#### Required Reading:

• MARION KAPLAN, "Jewish Women in Nazi Germany: Daily Life, Daily Struggles, 1933-1939," *Feminist Studies* 16, no. 3 (1990): 579-606.

See also the special Timeline on the Holocaust under Resources on SAKAI.

#### Break

## II: Women's Stories: Jewish Life in Austria and Nazi Germany before World War II

PRESENTATION OF THE (AUTO)BIOGRAPHY BY RUTH KLÜGER (1931-) BY STUDENT (5 minutes)

Autobiography:

- SALOMON, Character is Destiny, 173-187.
- KLÜGER, Still Alive, Foreword, 15-58 (in particular, 29-58)

## Methodological Themes:

1) Preparation of the research paper I

2) How to read and interpret the autobiographies – further reflections

## VISIT OF A UNDERGRADUTE STUDENT AMBASSADOR FROM THE UNC OFFICE OF UNGERGRADUATE RESEARCH

## Week 13:

#### Tuesday, November 11, 2014

#### Women's Stories: Political Prisoners in Nazi Germany: The Women's Concentration Camp Ravensbrück

#### I: Historical Background: The Women's Concentration Camp Ravensbrück

Required Background Reading:

- Jack G. Morrisson, "FOR WOMEN ONLY: THE RAVENSBRÜCK CONCENTRATION CAMP," *Proteus* Vol. 12 Issue 2 (1995): 51-55.
- Margaret Collins Weitz, "GENEVIEVE DE GAULLE: REFUSING THE UNACCEPTABLE," *Contemporary French Civilization*, Vol. 18 Issue 1 (1994): 56-63.

If you want to explore more:

- <u>http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ravensbr%C3%BCck\_concentration\_camp</u>
- http://isurvived.org/Frameset\_folder/-Ravensbruck.html

#### Break

#### I: Female Memories: A Political Prisoner in Ravensbrück

PRESENTATION OF THE (AUTO)BIOGRAPHY BY **GENEVIEVE DE GAULLE-ANTHONIOZ** (1920-2002) BY STUDENT (5 minutes)

Autobiography:

• GAULLE-ANTHONIOZ, The Dawn of Hope, 1-83.

## Methodological Themes:

1) How to read and interpret the autobiographies – further reflections

2) Final Questions: Preparation of the PowerPoint presentation and the research paper

## Week 14:

#### Tuesday, November 18, 2014

#### I: Women's Stories: Jewish Women in the Ghetto Theresienstadt and the Death Camp Auschwitz

#### Autobiography:

• KLÜGER, Still Alive, 70-131

Required Background Reading:

• JUDITH T. BAUMEL, "Women's Agency and Survival Strategies during the Holocaust," Women's Studies International Forum 22, no. 3 (1999): 329-347.

#### Break

#### II: Women's Stories: Surviving and Remembering the Holocaust

Autobiography:

• KLÜGER, Still Alive, 136-165, 63-69 and 205-214.

Required Background Reading:

• MYRNA GOLDENBERG, "Lessons Learned from Gentle Heroism: Women's Holocaust Narratives," *The ANNALS of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* 548, no. 1 (1996): 78-93

#### Methodological Theme:

How to read and interpret the autobiographies – further reflections

## Week 15:

Tuesday, November 25, 2014, 4:00-7:30, room: HM 569 *PowerPoint Presentation of Your Research in Class* 

#### End of the Term Celebration with Pizza.

## Week 16:

Tuesday, December 2, 2014, 4:00-7:30, room: HM 569 Final Class: PowerPoint Presentation of Your Research in Class Methodological Theme: Evaluation of the Course

End of the Term Celebration with Pizza.

Wednesday, December 4, 2014: The final research paper is due. Please bring one copy to my office and send it in addition to me by email.

## **RULES OF THE ROAD**

- 1. **Read this syllabus carefully**. You should consider it a contract between you and the professor. Your enrollment in the course signifies your agreement to adhere to it. Keep it for reference.
- 2. Please read the email and announcements on SAKAI carefully and regularly. I will communicate with you by email and announcements on SAKAI during the course.
- 3. Communicate appropriately. Learning how to write a professional email and address a professor, TA, supervisor or administrators appropriately is an important skill. As a starting point, when you email any professor or instructor, please have a subject line and begin with "Dear Professor..." or "Dear Dr. ..." and end with "Thank you" and "Sincerely," or "Best regards". Please read over the handout from the UNC Writing Center on email etiquette and effective communication at colleges and universities: <u>http://writingcenter.unc.edu/handouts/effective-e-mail-communication/</u>
- 4. Attendance will be taken in every class. No more than two missed classes will be accepted and you need to excuse yourself for the missed classes in ADVANCE. After two missed classes, your participation grade will go down five points for every day you miss class. Thus, if you have a B+, your participation grade will fall to a B or if you have a C, your grade will fall to a C-. *However, if you have more than two excused absences you can make them up with a 2-page response paper to the required reading.*
- 5. No late papers or other written work will be accepted except in the case of documented dire emergencies or a previous agreement. If you anticipate problems to finish an assignment in time, please contact me right away and let us find for a solution. Remember to make back-up copies of your drafts and papers; a hard disk crash a day or two before papers are due is not an acceptable excuse for turning in a late paper. For unexcused lateness your grade will go down ten points. Thus, if you have a B+, your grade will fall to a C+ or if you have a C, your grade will fall to a D."
- 6. Plagiarism: to take or pass off as one's own the ideas, key writings, etc. of another; to copy the exact words or to use key phrases from another author; to steal key ideas, even if you put them in your own words. If you do any of these things, without using a footnote to indicate your source, you are guilty of plagiarism. The exact words of another author must be put in quotation marks. Be forewarned that it is extremely easy to trace sources of plagiarism with software and on the web. If you plagiarize a paper you will receive a zero on that piece of work, and you will be subject to prosecution under the UNC Honor Code. It is your responsibility to familiarize yourself with the Honor Code (http://instrument.unc.edu).
- 7. **Cheating**: In case of cheating, you will flunk the exam. We will also report delinquents to either the UNC Honor Court or the Duke Dean of Academic Affairs. Students may not bring any material related to the course to the final examination unless it is contained in a closed book bag or knapsack. It is your responsibility to be familiar with, and act according to, the universities' honor codes.
- 8. Finally Electronics: I support "old school" communication and note-taking during classes, however, I will allow laptops in seminar sessions as a tool for your class work. Pen, paper and face-to-face dialogue reduce unnecessary distractions. Thus, the use of a laptop and cell phones are *not* allowed during classes. Please turn off all electronic devices including, but not limited to, Iphones, cell phones, Ipods, Ipads or any other devices that ring, buzz or ding. These devices should be properly secured *in your backpack*.

## HONOR CODE

Papers and exams must bear either the full honor code pledge ("On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid on this assignment.") or the word "Pledge" followed by your name as a shorthand way of communicating your adherence. Otherwise, no grade will be recorded. More information is also available at http://instrument.unc.edu and at:

http://www.unc.edu/depts/wcweb/handouts/plagiarism.html.

## **SELECTED LITERATURE**

## On SAKAI under "Resources" you will find a much more extended bibliography for your research for the final paper.

#### THEORY AND METHODOLOGY OF WOMEN'S AND GENDER HISTORY

These are introductory texts into the theoretical and methodological approach of women's and gender history:

- Bock, Gisela, "Women's History and Gender History: Aspects of an International Debate," *Gender and History* 1 (1989): 7-30. (UNC lib: HQ1101 .G46)
- Hunt, Lynn, "The Challenge of Gender: Deconstruction of Categories and Reconstruction of Narratives in Gender History", in *Geschlechtergeschichte und allgemeine Geschichte: Herausforderungen und Perspektiven*, ed. by Hans Medick and Anne-Charlotte Trepp (Göttingen: Wallstein, 1998, 59-97. (Duke Lib: HQ1121 .G48 1998 c.1)
- Offen, Karen, "Defining Feminism: A Comparative Historical Approach," *Signs* 14 (1988): 119-157. (UNC Lib: HQ1101 .S5)
- Rose, Sonya O., What is Gender History?, Cambridge: Polity Press 2010
- Scott, Joan W., "Gender: A Useful Category of Historical Analysis," in *American Historical Review* 98 (1986): 1053-1075. (UNC Lib: E171 .A57)
- Scott, Joan W., "Women's History," in *New Perspectives on Historical Writing*, ed. by Peter Burke (University Park, Pennsylvania: Penn State University Press, 2001 (2)), 43-70. (UNC lib: D13 .N45 2001)

#### **ON EUROPEAN WOMEN'S HISTORY**

If you have no background knowledge in Modern European or Women's History you could consult some of the following introductive readings during the course:

- Abrams, Lynn, *The Making of Modern Woman: Europe 1789-1918* (London and New York: Pearson, 2002). (UNC lib: HQ1587 .A27 2002)
- Allen, Ann T., Women in Twentieth-Century Europe (Basingstoke and New York: Palgrave MacMillan, 2007)
- Bock, Gisela, *Women in European History* (Oxford and Malden, Mass: Blackwell, 2002). (UNC lib: HQ1587 .B63 2002)
- Boxer, Marilyn J. and Jean H. Quataert (eds.), *Connecting Spheres: European Women in a Globalizing World*, *1600 to the present*, 2nd ed., (New York and Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2000). (UNC lib: HQ1150 .C66 2000)
- Bridenthal, Renate, Susan Mosher Stuard and Merry E. Wiesner (eds.), *Becoming Visible: Women in European History* (Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 1998). (UNC lib: HQ1588 .B43 1998)
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## **BIOS, RESEARCH PATH AND CURRENT RESEARCH INTERESTS OF THE INSTRUCTORS AND THE GRC**

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