Introduction to Modern history. Reading list

Seminar I: “What is Modern and Contemporary History?”
Instructor: Lars M Andersson

Texts


Seminar II: “State of the Art”
Instructor: Lars M Andersson

Texts


145 pages

Instructor: Lars M Andersson


250 pages

**Seminar IV: “Understanding Modernity”**
Instructor: Lars M Andersson

**Texts**


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)


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)
Seminar VI: “History on trial and the historian as expert witness and fortune teller”
Instructors: Lars M Andersson & Heléne Lööw

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

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)
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)
Plus three shorter articles to be announced
Seminar VIII: “The Embarrassment of riches. How to avoid drowning?” (Lecture)
Instructor: Tomislav Dulic

Texts

12 pages

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

Texts

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#1manifesto (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