

The Holocaust SOAR course Spring 2017 - from Elun Gabriel

Optional readings (none expected)

Session 1

General reading

Doris L. Bergen, *War & Genocide: A Concise History of the Holocaust*, 3rd ed. (Rowman & Littlefield, 2016)

- Introduction, chapters 1-3

Simone Gigliotti and Berel Lang, eds., *The Holocaust: A Reader* (Blackwell, 2005)

- Part I

Additional sources

Background on antisemitism:

- Walter Laqueur, *The Changing Face of Antisemitism: From Ancient Times to the Present Day* (Oxford UP, 2006)

Background on biological racism and eugenics:

- Henry Friedlander, *The Origins of Nazi Genocide: From Euthanasia to the Final Solution* (University of North Carolina Press, 1995)

Interesting memoir and diary:

- Peter Gay, *My German Question: Growing Up in Nazi Berlin* (Yale UP, 1998)
- Victor Klemperer, *I Will Bear Witness: A Diary of the Nazi Years*, vol. 1: 1933-1941 (Random House, 1999)

Session 2

General reading:

Bergen, *War & Genocide*

- Chapters 4-6

Gigliotti and Lang, eds., *The Holocaust: A Reader*

- Parts II-V

Additional sources

The development of the Final Solution:

- Christopher Browning, *The Origins of the Final Solution: The Evolution of Nazi Jewish Policy, September 1939-March 1942* (University of Nebraska Press, 2004)
- Patrick Desbois, *The Holocaust by Bullets: A Priest's Journey to Uncover the Truth Behind the Murder of 1.5 Million Jews* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2008)

The ghettos and the problem of the Judenrat:

- Isaiah Trunk, *Judenrat: The Jewish Councils in Eastern Europe under Nazi Occupation* (Stein & Day, 1979)
- Emmanuel Ringelblum, *Notes from the Warsaw Ghetto: The Journal of Emmanuel Ringelblum* (Schoken, 1974)

Polish-Jewish relations:

- Yisrael Gutman and Shmuel Krakowski, *Unequal Victims: Poles and Jews during World War II* (Holocaust Library, 1986)
- Jan T. Gross, *Neighbors: The Destruction of the Jewish Community in Jedwabne, Poland* (Penguin, 2002)

Session 3

General reading

Bergen, *War & Genocide*

- Chapters 7-9, conclusion

Gigliotti and Lang, eds., *The Holocaust: A Reader*

- Part VI: Genocide and the Holocaust

Additional sources

Aspects of the Nazi genocide:

- Yitzhak Arad, *Belzec, Sobibor, Treblinka: The Operation Reinhard Death Camps* (Indiana UP, 1987)
- Simone Gigliotti, *The Train Journey: Transit, Captivity, and Witnessing in the Holocaust* (Berghahn, 2010)
- Christopher Browning, *Remembering Survival: Inside a Nazi Slave Labor Camp* (Norton, 2010)
- Daniel Blatman, *The Death Marches: The Final Phase of Nazi Genocide* (Belknap Press, 2011)
- Anton Weiss-Wendt, *The Nazi Genocide of the Roma: Reassessment and Commemoration* (Berghahn, 2013)
- Michael Barenbaum, ed., *A Mosaic of Victims: Non-Jews Persecuted and Murdered by the Nazis* (NYU Press, 1990)

Perpetrators:

- Christopher Browning, *Ordinary Men: Reserve Police Battalion 101 and the Final Solution in Poland* (HarperPerennial, 1998)
- Mary Fulbrook, *A Small Town Near Auschwitz: Ordinary Nazis and the Holocaust* (Oxford UP, 2012)

Rescue and resistance:

- Samuel and Pearl Oliner, *The Altruistic Personality: Rescuers of Jews in Nazi Europe* (Collier Macmillan, 1988)
- Nechama Tec, *Resistance: Jews and Christians Who Defied the Nazi Terror* (Oxford UP, 2013)
- Patrick Henry, ed., *Jewish Resistance against the Nazis* (Catholic University of America Press, 2014)

Of the many incredible accounts of the Holocaust by victims:

- Victor Klemperer, *I Will Bear Witness: A Diary of the Nazi Years, vol. 2: 1942-1945* (Random House, 1999)
- Art Spiegelman, *Maus I & II* (Pantheon, 1986, 1992)
- Primo Levi, *Survival in Auschwitz* (Touchstone, 1996)
- Primo Levi, *The Drowned and the Saved* (Vintage, 1989)
- Sara Nomberg-Przytyk, *Auschwitz: True Tales from a Grotesque Land* (University of North Carolina Press, 1986)
- Filip Müller, *Eyewitness Auschwitz: Three Years in the Gas Chambers* (Ivan R. Dee, 1999)