



## Course Schedule

### Introduction

- Th. 4<sup>th</sup>, Jan.            Introductory meeting
- Mo. 8<sup>th</sup>, Jan.            Germany at 1945: ‘catastrophe’ or liberation? The challenging legacy of the Third Reich and twelve years of totalitarian rule  
*Reading: Jarausch introduction; Kettenacker introduction*

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### Germany under Allied Occupation

#### *Post-war politics and the inauguration of the two German states (1945-55)*

- Th. 11<sup>th</sup>, Jan.            The new beginning at „Hour Zero“  
*Reading: Jarausch ch. 1; Kettenacker, ch. 1*
- Mo. 15<sup>th</sup>, Jan.            The power of the Cold War: The end of the post-war alliance and the Berlin crisis  
*Reading: Kettenacker, ch.2*
- Th. 18<sup>th</sup>, Jan.            The constitution of both German states  
*Reading: Jarausch, ch. 2*
- Mo. 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan.            Reorganizing socio-economic and political life in the Federal Republic of Germany  
*Reading: Jarausch, ch. 3 + 4*
- Th. 25<sup>th</sup>, Jan.            Film: “The Marriage of Maria Braun”, Film Assignment I

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### The two German States between 1955 and 1961

#### *The Federal Republic of Germany*

- Mo. 29<sup>th</sup>, Jan.            Era Adenauer: The conservative hegemony and „Chancellor Democracy“

#### *The German Democratic Republic*

- Th. 1<sup>st</sup>, Feb.              From June, 17th 1953 to the erection of the Wall
- Mo. 5<sup>th</sup>, Feb.              Stabilizing the system of the GDR  
*Reading: Kettenacker ch. 4*

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### **Political Instability and the Second Foundation of the Federal Republic (1961-1974)**

- Th. 8<sup>th</sup>, Feb.            The end of the Adenauer era: Towards political change and unrest in the 1960s.  
*Reading: Jaraus ch. 5*
- Mo. 12<sup>th</sup>, Feb.            **Reading break**
- Th. 15<sup>th</sup>, Feb.            **Reading break**
- Mo. 19<sup>th</sup>, Feb.            Modernizing Germany: Student movement, political-cultural change in Germany and the “Years of Stone”  
*Reading: Jaraus ch. 6*

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### **Inner stability, the growing European commitment, and new political cleavages (1974-1989)**

- Th. 22<sup>nd</sup>, Feb.            **Mid-Term Exam**
- Mo. 26<sup>th</sup>, Feb            Brandt’s new politics: *Ostpolitik* and „daring more democracy“  
*Reading: Kettenacker ch. 3*
- Th. 1<sup>st</sup> Mar.                Change in political culture: social movements and the rise of the Green Party

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### **Re-unification and its effects on German society (1990-present)**

- Mo. 5<sup>th</sup>, Mar.            The collapse of the GDR  
*Reading: Jaraus ch.7*
- Th. 8<sup>th</sup>, Mar.            1989-1990: The process of Unification  
*Reading: Kettenacker ch.5 +6*
- Mo. 12<sup>th</sup>, Mar.            Unified, but not United: Political culture in a divided Germany  
*Reading: Jaraus ch.8; Kettenacker ch.7*

Th. 15<sup>th</sup>, Mar.

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formatting and referencing guidelines. **Please submit your essay at the end of the course on April 5.** I will grant deadline extensions only in the event of an illness, an emergency, or on compassionate grounds (with documentation provided in each scenario). Late essays will be penalized 3% a day (including weekends).

Film Reviews:

As per University of Victoria policy, you must complete all assignments. Failure to do so will result in a grade of 'N' (incomplete) for the course.

**Accessibility**

Students with diverse learning styles and needs are welcome in this course. In particular, if you have a disability/health consideration that may require accommodations, please feel free to approach me and/or the Resource Centre for Students with a Disability (RCSD) as soon as possible. The RCSD staff are available by appointment to assess specific n(t)-416, please