

HIS 102: Modern European History, 18th c. to the Present

Satisfies: GLO, SBS [DEC: F]

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Summer Session II
Asynchronous

We will examine how Europe transitioned from the absolutist monarchies of the seventeenth century to the era of nation-states and world wars, ending with the fall of the Berlin Wall through discussion of major events and ideologies. These include the French Revolution and the Revolutions of 1848, industrialization, nationalism, colonialism and empire, the world wars, and the postwar welfare state. These will be interpreted through the lenses of gender, class, and ethnicity to better understand concepts such as “modernity” that shaped European culture and politics through the twentieth century. Students will submit weekly reading responses and a final paper based on lecture recordings and primary sources.