

John M. Cox, Ph.D.
Curriculum Vitae

Associate Professor of Holocaust and Comparative Genocide Studies

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Education

Ph.D., History

University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, 2005

M.A., History

Brandeis University, 1998

B.A., History

Appalachian State University, 1986

Past employment

Florida Gulf Coast University, 2006-2011: Assistant professor of Modern European History; Director of the Center for Judaic, Holocaust, and Human Rights Studies

Research and teaching interests

Modern Europe and Germany; the Holocaust; anti-Nazi resistance; comparative genocide; labor and working-class history; racism, colonialism, and imperialism

Publications

Books:

Circles of Resistance: Jewish, Leftist, and Youth Dissidence in Nazi Germany (Peter Lang Publishing, 2009)

Under contract with Pearson Prentice Hall: To Kill a People: Genocide in the Twentieth Century (2012)

Publications (continued)

Book chapters and journal articles:

Chapter, "Jewish Resistance Against Nazism," *The Routledge History of the Holocaust*, Jonathan C. Friedman, ed., Routledge, 2011, pp. 328-338

Article, "Raul Hilberg: In Memoriam," in the *Journal of Jewish Identities* 1:2 (July 2008), pp. 1-6

Chapter, "Herbert Baum: Jewish Resistance to the Nazi Dictatorship," for *The Human Tradition in Modern Europe, 1750 to the Present*, Cora Granata and Cheryl Koos, eds., Rowman and Littlefield, 2007, pp. 139-154

Peer-reviewed, chapter-length encyclopedia entries:

"Germany, socialism and nationalism," *International Encyclopedia of Revolution and Protest: 1500 to Present*, Immanuel Ness, ed., Blackwell Publishing, 2009, pp. 1373-1381

Book and film reviews:

Book review, Ben Kiernan, *Blood and Soil: A World History of Genocide and Extermination from Sparta to Darfur*, H-German Discussion Network, October 2009

Book review, James M. Glass, *Jewish Resistance During the Holocaust: Moral Uses of Violence and Will*, for the *Journal of Jewish Identities* 1:1 (Jan. 2008), 114-116

Book review, Walid Phares, *The War of Ideas: Jihad Against Democracy*, for *The European Legacy: Toward New Paradigms* 13:7 (Dec. 2008)

Book review, Robert Satloff, *Among the Righteous: Lost Stories from the Holocaust's Long Reach Into Arab Lands*, for the *Journal of Genocide Research* 10:4 (Dec. 2008), 609-611

Film review, "Bonhoeffer," H-German Discussion Network, May 2004

Textbooks:

Chief Content Editor and Contributor for 2nd edition of A. Daniel Frankforter and William Spellman's *The West: Culture and Ideas*, Volume II: 1400 to the Present (Pearson Prentice Hall, 2008)

Publications (continued)

Encyclopedia entries:

Entries on “Adolf Hitler’s *Mein Kampf*” and “The German Social Democratic Party,” *International Encyclopedia of World Protest and Revolution: 1500 to Present*, Immanuel Ness, ed., Blackwell Publishing, 2009

Entries on “Arthur de Gobineau on Races and Slavery,” “Malcolm X in London,” and “African-Americans in the Spanish Civil War,” *Encyclopedia of Blacks in European History and Culture*, Eric Martone, ed., Greenwood Press, 2008

Entry on Greece, *Encyclopedia of World Poverty*, Mehmet Odekon, ed., Golson Books, 2006

Essay:

“Lost Worlds: Genocide and Diego Rivera’s ‘Tenochtitlán’,” for *Evoking Genocide: Researchers and Activists Describe the Works of Art and Media That Shaped Their Lives*, Adam Jones, ed., Key Publishing, 2009, pp. 8-10

Conference papers

Upcoming: “Erasing the Boundaries Between Combatants and Non-Combatants: War and Targeted Mass Killing in Europe, 1914-1945.” To be presented at Warfare and Civilians: An International Conference, Florida Gulf Coast University, Feb. 2012

“Remembering Anti-Nazi Jewish Resistance in the GDR: Communist Martyrs or Jewish Resisters?” Presented at the American Historical Association (AHA) Annual Meeting, San Diego, Jan. 2010

“Individual vs. Official Memory: Jewish Anti-Nazi Resisters in Post-War East Germany.” Presented at the European Social Science History Conference, Lisbon, Portugal, Feb. 2008

“*Neu Beginnen*: The Origins of Anti-Nazi Resistance in the Jewish Youth Movements of Weimar Germany.” Presented at the Legacy of the Holocaust: The World Before, The World After Conference, Krakow, Poland, May 2007

“Resisting Both Hitler and Stalin: Anti-Stalinist Communists in the Third Reich.” Presented at the Triangle Area Graduate Student History Conference, Raleigh, NC, Feb. 2005

Conference papers (continued)

"Circles of Resistance: Intersections of Jewish, Leftist, and Youth Dissidence Under the Third Reich." Presented at the Barnes Club Graduate Student Conference, Temple University, Feb. 2005 (*Recipient: Best Paper in European History*)

"The Passing of an Illusion: 'The Sorrow and the Pity' and Post-War French Mythology." Presented at the War in Film, Television, and History Conference, Dallas, Nov. 2004

"Jewish Anti-Nazi Resistance and Its Relation to Jewish Identity During the Third Reich." Presented at the German Studies Association (GSA) Annual Conference, Washington, D.C., Oct. 2004

"The Herbert Baum Groups." Presented at the Western Jewish Studies Association Conference, San Diego, March 2004

Conference participation

Discussant, "War Crimes Law on the Eve of World War I and its Postwar Development," Association for the Studies of Nationalities annual convention, Columbia University, April 2011

Speaker on book panel, "War Crimes, Genocide, and Justice: A Global History," Association for the Studies of Nationalities annual convention, Columbia University, New York, April 2010

Speaker on book panel, "David M. Crowe's *The Holocaust: Roots, History, and Aftermath*: Its Contributions to Holocaust Education and Scholarship," Southern Conference on Slavic Studies annual conference, Gainesville, FL, March 2010

Panel organizer and commentator, "Undergraduate Research on Social and Political Injustice," Florida Conference of Historians annual conference, Fort Myers, FL, Feb. 2009

Panel commentator, "Human Rights and War Crimes," at "War and Its Discontents" conference, organized by Historians Against the War, Atlanta, April 2008

Selected recent invited & public lectures

- “Righteous Gentiles and Unsung Heroes,” for Edison State College’s Holocaust Memorial Week, Fort Myers, FL, April 2011
- “Was the Holocaust ‘Unique’? The *Shoah* and Modern Genocide,” Ninth Annual Martin and Doris Rosen Summer Symposium, Appalachian State University, Boone, NC, July 2010
- “The Purpose of Holocaust Education in the 21st Century: Racism and Genocide in Today’s World,” (keynote address), Annual Holocaust Memorial Day Remembrance, Sponsored by Holocaust Museum of Southwest Florida, Naples, FL, January 2010
- “Did They Fight Back? Jewish Resistance, Resilience, and Survival Strategies During the Holocaust” and “The Legacy of the Holocaust for Today” (closing keynote address), Eighth Annual Martin and Doris Rosen Summer Symposium, Appalachian State University, Boone, NC, July 2009
- “The Use and Misuse of the Holocaust,” lecture for Edison State College’s Holocaust Memorial Week, Fort Myers, FL, March 2009
- “New Insights into German-Jewish Resistance,” featured lecture for Edison State College’s Holocaust Memorial Week, Fort Myers, FL, March 2008
- “Lessons from Islam and Islamic History,” lecture presented to bi-annual meeting of the Phi Beta Kappa Association of Southwest Florida, Nov. 2007
- “Holocaust Denial in Iran and the Arab Countries,” Temple Shalom, Naples, FL, Oct. 2007
- “The Origins and Development of Islamist Fundamentalism,” lecture sponsored by FGCU Renaissance Academy, Oct. 2007
- “An Eternal ‘Clash of Civilizations’? Muslims, Jews, and Christians in Medieval Spain,” two-part lecture series sponsored by the FGCU Renaissance Academy, March 2007
- “European and American Policy in Iraq Since World War I,” lecture sponsored by Amnesty International, FGCU, March 2007
- “European Racism and Nazi Anti-Semitism,” lecture sponsored by the FGCU Renaissance Academy, Nov. 2006

Fellowships and grants

FGCU Professional Development Research Grant, \$5,000, 2010-2011

FGCU Professional Development travel grants, 2007, 2008, and 2009

UNC-Chapel Hill Department of History, Mowry Fellowship, 2003

Social Science Research Council Berlin Program for Advanced German and European Studies, Fellowship, 2001-2002

UNC-Chapel Hill, Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship, 2000

UNC-Chapel Hill, Graduate School Tuition Waivers, Academic Stipends, Research Assistantship, and Teaching Assistantships, 1999-2003

Brandeis University, tuition grant for \$10,000, 1997-98

Courses offered

University of North Carolina Charlotte, 2011-
Comparative Genocide
The Holocaust and Resistance

Courses taught

Florida Gulf Coast University, 2006-2011
Graduate Seminar: Revolution and Counter-Revolution in the 20th Century
Graduate Seminar: Colonialism and Imperialism
Graduate Seminar: The Spanish Civil War
Graduate Seminar: Genocide in World History
Graduate Seminar: History of Antisemitism
History of Modern Germany
The Holocaust
Genocide in World History
Music and Social Change in the 20th Century (honors class)
The Islamic World
History of Modern Russia
Renaissance and Reformation Europe
Hate Crimes and Genocide
Introduction to Historical Studies (later renamed "History Theories & Methods")
The Western Experience, 1650-Present
Modern Europe, 1789-Present
Intro to International Studies

George Mason University, 2006
History of Western Civilization

University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, 2004-2006
The World Since 1945
The Holocaust (online course)

Service to the profession

Founding member, Editorial board, *Journal of Jewish Identities*

Advisory Board member, Institute for Genocide Awareness and Applied Research
(based at Nova Southeastern University)

Article referee, *Peace & Change: A Journal of Peace Research* (Blackwell Publishing)

Manuscript referee, Oxford University Press

Manuscript referee, Pearson Prentice Hall

Professional organizations

American Historical Association
German Studies Association
World History Association
Labor and Working Class History Association
International Network of Genocide Scholars
Association of Holocaust Organizations