

# 0601H312

## Germany since 1945

**Instructor:** TBA

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**Time:** May 9, 2022-June 10, 2022

**Office Hours:** By Appointment

**Contact Hours:** 60 (50 minutes each)

**Credits:** 4

### Course Description

This class traces the German History from the end of World War II to the present. We will study the formation of two separate states: the German Democratic Republic and the Federal Republic of Germany, the everyday life under communism and democracy, relations between the two Germanies, and the role of these states in the Cold War. We will analyze the rise of left-wing terrorism, discuss the role of atonement for the crimes of the Holocaust, and compare the lives of workers in the two states. We will then trace the events leading to the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989, and think about the many challenges Germans continue to face following reunification.

### Required Textbook(s)

*Germany Since 1945: Politics, Culture, and Society.* Peter C. Caldwell, Karrin Hanshew, Bloomsbury, ISBN 9781474262415

Additional readings will be provided by the instructor.

### Course Schedule

Please note that the schedule is meant to give an overview of the major concepts in this course. Changes may occur in this calendar as needed to aid in the student's development.

**Week 1**

1. Germany's "Zero Hour"
2. New States, East and West
3. Stability, Consolidation, and Dissent in West and East

**Week 2**

4. Politics and Generational Change in 1960s West Germany
5. Behind the Wall: East Germany on a New Path

**Exam 1**

**Week 3**

6. New Social Republics, East and West
7. Crisis and Change: The Federal Republic in the 1970s
8. The Socialist Nation and the Rise of Dissidence: Honecker's East Germany

**Week 4**

9. The Paradoxical Conservatism of West Germany under Helmut Kohl
10. Collapse, Revolution, Unification, 1989-1990
11. Tensions of Unification

**Exam 2**

**Week 5**

12. The Berlin Republic, the Red-Green Coalition, and the Identity of the New Germany
13. Economics, Politics, and Diplomacy of a Civilian State, 2007-2017

**Final Exam**

**Grading Policy**

Your final grade in this course is based upon performance on two examinations and three paper assignments.

Paper Assignment	20%
Exam 1	25%
Exam 2	25%
<u>Final Exam</u>	<u>30%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>

## Grading Scale

The instructor will use the grading system as applied by JNU:

<b>Definition</b>	<b>Letter Grade</b>	<b>Score</b>
Excellent	A	90~100
Good	B	80~89
Satisfactory	C	70~79
Poor	D	60~69
Failed	E	Below 60

## Academic Integrity

As members of the Jinan University academic community, students are expected to be honest in all of their academic coursework and activities. Academic dishonesty, includes (but is not limited to) cheating on assignments or examinations; plagiarizing, i.e., misrepresenting as one's own work any work done by another; submitting the same paper, or a substantially similar paper, to meet the requirements of more than one course without the approval and consent of the instructors concerned; or sabotaging other students' work within these general definitions. Instructors, however, determine what constitutes academic misconduct in the courses they teach. Students found guilty of academic misconduct in any portion of the academic work face penalties that range from the lowering of their course grade to awarding a grade of E for the entire course.