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Weimar Culture and Beyond  
German 323H / Spring 2014

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**HANNAH HÖCH, 1919**

**DESCRIPTION & OBJECTIVES**

The course offers an introduction to the culture of the Weimar Republic (1919-1933). A time of social and political turmoil and economic uncertainty bounded by the end of the First World War and the transfer of power to Hitler, the Weimar Republic is also associated with an explosion of activity in theatre, painting, literature, cinema, and the other arts. On the basis of close readings across a variety of genres, we will consider key cultural, social, and political moments of the period and their legacy today.

The course is also designed to improve German language skills in reading, writing, and speaking.

**REQUIREMENTS / EVALUATION**

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**COURSE MATERIALS**

Available via BlackBoard and course packet/handouts.