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German 410: Introduction to German Intellectual History

What is Intellectual History?

- Sep 11 Introduction
- Sep 18 Hegel, *Philosophy of History*, Introduction
- Sep 25 no class
- Oct 2 Heinrich Heine, *On the History of Religion and Philosophy in Germany*
- Oct 9 Heine, *On the History* cont.

Enlightenment

- Oct 16 Selections from Lessing, Mendelssohn, Kant

Feuerbach to Marx and Nietzsche

- Oct 23 Ludwig Feuerbach, *The Essence of Christianity*, Introduction
Karl Marx, „Toward a Critique of Hegel’s *Philosophy of Right*“

Dialectic of Enlightenment

- Oct 30 Nietzsche, selection
- Nov 13 Simmel: critique of culture
- Nov 20 Adorno/Horkheimer, *Dialectic of Enlightenment*
- Nov 27 Adorno/Horkheimer, *Dialectic of Enlightenment* cont.
- Dec 4 Adorno/Horkheimer, *Dialectic of Enlightenment* cont.

Texts:

G W F Hegel, *Introduction to the Philosophy of History*. Hackett, ISBN 978-0872200562.

Heinrich Heine, *On the History of Religion and Philosophy in Germany*, Cambridge UP, ISBN 978-0521678506.

Max Horkheimer and Theodor W. Adorno, *Dialectic of Enlightenment*, Stanford UP, ISBN 978-0521678506.

All other texts will be available via links on the course website.

Marking Scheme:

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| Participation and Presentation | 10% |
| 2 short response papers (3pp.) | 30% |
| Final Paper (8-10 pp.) | 60% |