

Conflict and Violence
 Anthropology 230
 Tuesday and Thursday
 10:00-11:15 DI 181
 1:00-2:15 DI 276

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Course Syllabus

Why have we witnessed more carnage and atrocity in the 20th century than any other period in human history? Why do people remain silent during horrific events of murder they have the power to stop? Why are certain people attracted to apocalyptic beliefs and extremist ideologies? This course will examine conflict and violence in the 20th century from a global perspective. We will focus on war, ethnic violence, genocide and terrorism. Central concerns will be to consider and explain the brutality of the 20th century.

The following books are required and are available in the campus bookstore:

- Glover, Jonathan. *Humanity: A Moral History of the 20th Century*.
- Hinton, Alexander Laban. *Why Did They Kill? Cambodia in the Shadow of Genocide*.
- Juergensmeyer, Mark. *Terror in the Mind of God*. 3rd Edition

The following are the readings to be completed by the indicated class period. As the course relies on classroom participation (which will constitute a significant part of your course grade) rather than course lectures, it is essential to do the reading on time.

Date	Topic	Assignment
9/7	Introduction	
9/12	Ethics and Morality	Glover Chp 1-5
9/14	Ethics and Morality	Glover Chp 6-7
9/19	Morality and War	Glover Chp 8-10 E-Reserve "Haditha"
9/21	Morality and War	Glover Chp 11-13
9/26	Tribalism Film: The Triumph of Evil	Glover Chp 14-16 Paper One Due
9/28	Tribalism	Glover Chp 17-18
10/3	War as a Trap	Glover Chp 19-23
10/5	No Class	

10/10	Belief and Terror	Glover Chp 24-28
10/12	Belief and Terror	Glover Chp 29-32
10/17	Holocaust	Glover Chp 33-37 Read www.prisonexp.org and www.stanleymilgram.org
10/19	Holocaust	Glover Chp 38,40,41
10/24	Recent Moral History Paper Two Due	Glover Chp 42-Epilogue
10/26	In the Shadow of Genocide	Hinton 1-44
10/31	Disproportionate Revenge	Hinton 45-95
11/2	Prison without Walls	Hinton 96-169
11/7	Fire Without Smoke	Hinton 173-210
11/9	Manufacturing Difference	Hinton 211-251
11/14	Why People Kill	Hinton 252-298
11/16	No class	Paper Three Due
11/21	In a Homeland Far From Home	E-Reserve Sontag 2003
11/23	No Class	
11/28	Terrorism	Juergensmeyer Chp 1-2
11/30	Terrorism	Juergensmeyer Chp 3-4
12/5	Terrorism Film: Human Weapon	E-Reserve "Humiliation"
12/7	Terrorism	Juergensmeyer Chp 5-7
12/12	Terrorism	Juergensmeyer Chp 8-9
12/14	Conclusions Due	E-Reserve "Conclusions" Paper Four Juergensmeyer Chp 10-11