

Germany and the Cold War: From Allied Occupation to Division & Reunification (1945-1990)



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This course will investigate the central role played by the "German question" in the break-up of the wartime alliance and the political division of western and eastern Europe. The cold war—its causes, origins, and consequences—is of overwhelming importance not only to the history of the 20th century, European and global, but generated consequences that can be shown to linger on to this day. The specific "cold war" instance of a divided Germany, where the philosophical, ideological, political, economic, and cultural split ran right through the middle of a single country, offers students a unique opportunity to study some of the most grievous results of an extended and long-lasting process of international polarization.

Historical Analysis, Global Issues, North Atlantic World.

Readings & Class Discussions in English.

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