#### **Term Information**

**Effective Term** 

Autumn 2025

#### **General Information**

| Course Bulletin Listing/Subject Area | German   |
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| Fiscal Unit/Academic Org             | Germanic Languages & Lit - D0547   |
| College/Academic Group               | Arts and Sciences  |
| Level/Career                         | Undergraduate  |
| Course Number/Catalog                | 3456   |
| Course Title                         | Global Changemakers  |
| Transcript Abbreviation              | GlobalChangemakers   |
| Course Description                   | This course explores what it means to be a global changemaker, emphasizing critical thinking, truth-<br>telling, and advocacy for change. Students will study the qualities of changemakers through figures like<br>Arendt, Gandhi, and Tolstoy, and examine global citizenship, cultural diversity, and social equity. The<br>aim is to develop new visions for a just world and apply these concepts to future challenge |
| Semester Credit Hours/Units          | Fixed: 4   |

#### **Offering Information**

| Length Of Course   | 14 Week, 12 Week, 8 Week, 7 Week, 6 Week, 4 Week   |
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| Flexibly Scheduled Course  | Never  |
| Does any section of this course have a distance education component? | Yes  |
| Is any section of the course offered                                 | Less than 50% at a distance                        |
| Grading Basis  | Letter Grade                                       |
| Repeatable   | No   |
| Course Components  | Lecture  |
| Grade Roster Component   | Lecture  |
| Credit Available by Exam   | No   |
| Admission Condition Course   | No   |
| Off Campus   | Never  |
| Campus of Offering   | Columbus, Lima, Mansfield, Marion, Newark, Wooster |

#### **Prerequisites and Exclusions**

| Prerequisites/Corequisites |   |
|----------------------------|---|
| Exclusions                 | Not open to students with credit for SASIA 3456 or Slavic 3456. |
| Electronically Enforced    | Yes   |

#### **Cross-Listings**

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Cross-listed in German and Slavic.

#### Subject/CIP Code

Subject/CIP Code Subsidy Level Intended Rank 05.0112 Baccalaureate Course Sophomore, Junior, Senior

#### **Requirement/Elective Designation**

Citizenship for a Diverse and Just World; Interdisciplinary Seminar The course is an elective (for this or other units) or is a service course for other units

#### **Course Details**

| Course goals or learning<br>objectives/outcomes | • Reflect critically on the concept of social and cultural change in a global context.                               |
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| objectives/outcomes                             | • Identify pathways toward advocacy for social and cultural change as an essential element of being a global citizen |
|   | in the 21st century.   |
|   | • Develop a sense of how social justice and diversity can be shaped by time and thinkers of the time.                |
|   | • Develop an understanding of challenges and incentives associated with being a global changemaker through           |
|   | analyses of diverse perspectives on citizenship across cultural, historical, and political communities.              |
|   | • Identify individual changemaking goals.  |
| Content Topic List                              | • Essential elements of being a global changemaker   |
|   | The Age of Enlightenment and Kant  |
|   | Nonviolence, politics, citizenship and Gandhi  |
|   | Realism and Philosophy   |
|   | • Holocaust trials, German responsibility discourse, citizenship as responsibility to the state                      |
|   | Marx, film and Marx in India   |
|   | Caste and gender   |
|   | The White Rose opposition movement   |
|   | Globalization and the environment  |
|   | • Cosmopolitanism, Cosmism, and Global Citizenship   |
| Sought Concurrence                              | Νο   |
| Attachments                                     | Global Changemakers Syllabus. CJD. Birkhold. Gleissner. Nagar (006).pdf: Syllabus                                    |
|   | (Syllabus. Owner: Miller, Natascha)  |
|   | CJD Themes form (005).pdf: CJD Themes form   |
|   | (Other Supporting Documentation. Owner: Miller, Natascha)  |
|   | Integrative Collaborative Teaching (003).pdf: Integrative Collab Teaching  |
|   | (Other Supporting Documentation. Owner: Miller, Natascha)  |
|   | CurriculumMap_Update_2024Sep.pdf: Curriculum Map - German  |
|   | (Other Supporting Documentation. Owner: Miller,Natascha)   |
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| Comments  |  |

#### Comments

#### **COURSE REQUEST** 3456 - Status: PENDING

Last Updated: Vankeerbergen,Bernadette Chantal 09/19/2024

### **Workflow Information**

| Status           | User(s)  | Date/Time           | Step                   |
|------------------|--|---------------------|------------------------|
| Submitted        | Miller,Natascha  | 09/04/2024 10:34 AM | Submitted for Approval |
| Approved         | Taleghani-<br>Nikazm,Carmen  | 09/04/2024 10:39 AM | Unit Approval          |
| Approved         | Vankeerbergen,Bernadet te Chantal  | 09/19/2024 01:24 PM | College Approval       |
| Pending Approval | Jenkins,Mary Ellen Bigler<br>Hanlin,Deborah Kay<br>Hilty,Michael<br>Neff,Jennifer<br>Vankeerbergen,Bernadet<br>te Chantal<br>Steele,Rachel Lea | 09/19/2024 01:24 PM | ASCCAO Approval        |



# **Global Changemakers**

# **GLL/SASIA/SLAVIC 3456**

## 4 Credit Hours (High Impact Practice)

### This course is part of the Citizenship Theme

## Hybrid

80-minute asynchronous sessions to be completed by 11:59 PM on Monday of each week before the in-person session.

### In person sessions:

| Wednesday | 9:35-10:55am |
|-----------|--------------|
| Friday    | 9:10-10:05am |

All instructors will be present in all in-person sessions.

# **Course overview**

# Instructors

- Matthew Birkhold, Philip Gleissner, Ila Nagar
- Instructor emails: birkhold.22@osu.edu, gleissner.4@osu.edu, nagar.5@osu.edu
- Office Hours: TBA (3 hours per week)

Note: Our preferred method of contact is email.

# **Course description**

The power to shape the future belongs not just to a few but to all of us as citizens of pluralistic societies. To be a changemaker, one must think for



oneself, speak the truth, be mindful, and resist evil. A changemaker is someone who can identify problems in the world, dream up new possibilities, and advocate for change. What does it mean to be a global changemaker? How does it relate to global citizenship? In this course students will explore the qualities that changemakers possess around the globe, learning from diverse thinkers like Arendt, Gandhi, and Tolstoy. To develop new visions of a just, diverse, and equitable world for themselves, students will further examine different ideas of citizenship and how they intersect with cultural, social, and economic models of human relations. Students will develop a sense of how to apply the fundamentals of thought they learn in the class to problems that the future might hold, learning to live in a world that is diverse both culturally and socially.

# **Course expected learning outcomes**

By the end of this course, students should successfully be able to:

- 1. Reflect critically on the concept of social and cultural change in a global context
- 2. Identify pathways toward advocacy for social and cultural change as an essential element of being a global citizen in the 21st century
- 3. Develop a sense of how social justice and diversity can be shaped by time and thinkers of the time
- 4. Develop an understanding of challenges and incentives associated with being a global changemaker through analyses of diverse perspectives on citizenship across cultural, historical, and political communities
- 5. Identify individual changemaking goals

# General education goals and expected learning outcomes

As part of the Citizenship GE category of the General Education curriculum, this course is designed to prepare students to be able to do the following:

- 1. Successful students will analyze concepts of citizenship, justice and diversity at a more advanced and in-depth level than in the Foundations component.
  - a. Engage in critical and logical thinking about the topic or idea of citizenship for a just and diverse world.
  - b. Engage in an advanced, in-depth, scholarly exploration of the topic or idea of citizenship for a just and diverse world.
- 2. Successful students will integrate approaches to understanding citizenship for a just and diverse world by making connections to out-of-classroom experiences with academic knowledge or across disciplines and/or to work they have done in previous classes and that they anticipate doing in future.
  - a. Identify, describe and synthesize approaches or experiences as they apply to citizenship for a just and diverse world.
  - b. Demonstrate a developing sense of self as a learner through reflection, self-assessment and creative work, building on prior experiences to respond to new and challenging contexts.
- 3. Successful students will explore and analyze a range of perspectives on local, national or global citizenship and apply the knowledge, skills and dispositions that constitute citizenship.
  - a. Describe and analyze a range of perspectives on what constitutes citizenship and how it differs across political, cultural, national, global and/or historical communities.
  - b. Identify, reflect on and apply the knowledge, skills and dispositions required for intercultural competence as a global citizen.
- 4. Successful students will examine notions of justice amid difference and analyze and critique how these interact with historically and socially constructed ideas of citizenship and membership within society, both within the United States and around the world.
  - a. Examine, critique and evaluate various expressions and implications of diversity, equity and inclusion, and explore a variety of lived experiences.



b. Analyze and critique the intersection of concepts of justice, difference, citizenship, and how these interact with cultural traditions, structures of power and/or advocacy for social change.

Being a global citizen means being aware of challenges to just, inclusive, and equitable modes of life around the world. In this course, students develop an understanding of models of citizenship and the ways they create or inhibit space for change. They get to know a diverse group of historical and contemporary thinkers that explain challenges encountered by their respective communities and that imagined trajectories toward social change. This course's emphasis on putting changemakers from across the globe into dialogue especially encourages students to develop their intercultural competence as a global citizen.

# How this online course works

# Mode of delivery

This is a hybrid course. Our weekly instruction is divided into three parts. The first 80 minutes of the week are completed through asynchronous online modules, consisting of lectures, quizzes, and discussion board posts, to be completed by Monday by 11:59pm of each week. The nature of asynchronous lectures will vary, and each instructor will be part of each lecture. However, it is possible that some weeks will have more lecture time by one instructor due to their expertise on the material. Each instructor will be present for each in-person session as well. On Fridays, we convene in breakout groups for 55 minutes. These sessions will ensure that smaller groups of students get a chance to interact with each instructor. Breakout groups of 25 or 30 will meet in three concurrent sessions with a rotation of each instructor for breakout groups. These sessions will follow a pattern like such:

SG: Student group; groups will be assigned before the first day of class. There will be a maximum of three student breakout groups.



| Birkhold  | Week 1, SG 1; Week 2, SG 3; Week 3, SG 2 |
|-----------|--|
| Gleissner | Week 1, SG 2; Week 2, SG 1; Week 3, SG 3 |
| Nagar     | Week 1, SG 3, Week 2, SG 2; Week 3, SG 1 |

# Pace of Online Activities

This course is hybrid. Students are required to engage with weekly lectures that will need to be completed by Monday by 11:59pm. These lectures are asynchronous. Students are required to participate in two in-person sessions per week where they will interact with their classmates and faculty instructors and participate in in-class discussions and activities.

# Credit hours and work expectations

This is a **4-credit-hour course**. According to Ohio State policy (<u>go.osu.edu/credithours</u>), students should expect around 9 hours of engagement with the class each week to receive a grade of (C) average. Actual hours spent will vary by student learning habits and the assignments each week.

# **Participation requirements**

Because this is a hybrid course, your attendance is based on your online and in-person activity and participation. The following is a summary of students' expected participation:

Participating in online activities

• Participating in online activities for attendance: AT LEAST ONCE PER WEEK

You are expected to log in to the course in Carmen every week. (During most weeks you will probably log in many times.)

• **Participating in in-person sessions:** Twice every week on Wednesdays and Fridays at assigned class times.



#### **Office hours: OPTIONAL**

Course communication guidelines

- Important communications, reminders and announcements will be posted in *Announcements* on CarmenCanvas. Make sure to enable your notifications to receive email reminders of these notifications.
- Reach out to the instructors via email with any questions or concerns.
- Emails will be answered within two work days, Monday Friday between 9am 5pm.
- <u>Office hours</u>: scheduled weekly and by appointment. Please email at least 48 hours in advance to set up a time by appointment.

Tone and Civility

Let's maintain a supportive learning community where everyone feels safe and where people can disagree amicably. Instructors will provide specific guidance for discussions on controversial or personal topics.

Equity

If you have experienced harassment or discrimination in this class or in any context related to this class, please let the instructors know immediately. To report harassment, discrimination, sexual misconduct, or retaliation and/or seek confidential and non-confidential resources and supportive measures, contact the Office of Institutional Equity:

Online reporting form at <u>www.equity.osu.edu</u>, Call 614-247-5838 or TTY 614-688-8605, Or Email <u>equity@osu.edu</u>

Citing your sources

Make sure to cite all sources you are using for discussion board, paper summaries and the research project (including online, primary and secondary sources). Citations should follow <u>Chicago Manuel of Style</u>.



Protecting and saving your work

Make sure to save your work on your personal computer in a separate file before submitting it to CarmenCanvas.

Course materials and technologies

# Textbooks

All required texts, videos and links will be posted on CarmenCanvas.

# **Course technology**

# **Technology support**

For help with your password, university email, Carmen, or any other technology issues, questions, or requests, contact the Ohio State IT Service Desk. Standard support hours are available <u>at</u> <u>it.osu.edu/help</u>, and support for urgent issues is available 24/7.

- Self-Service and Chat support: <u>it.osu.edu/help</u>
- Phone: 614-688-4357(HELP)
- Email: <u>8help@osu.edu</u>
- TDD: 614-688-8743

## Technology skills needed for this course

- Basic computer and web-browsing skills
- Navigating Carmen (go.osu.edu/canvasstudent)
- CarmenZoom virtual meetings (<u>go.osu.edu/zoom-meetings</u>)

## **Required Equipment**

- Computer: current Mac (MacOs) or PC (Windows 10) with highspeed internet connection
- Webcam: built-in or external webcam, fully installed and tested
- Microphone: built-in laptop or tablet mic or external microphone

• Other: a mobile device (smartphone or tablet) to use for BuckeyePass authentication

### **Required software**

• Microsoft Office 365: All Ohio State students are now eligible for free Microsoft Office 365. Full instructions for downloading and installation can be found at <u>go.osu.edu/office365help</u>.

### **Carmen Access**

You will need to use BuckeyePass (<u>buckeyepass.osu.edu</u>) multi-factor authentication to access your courses in Carmen. To ensure that you are able to connect to Carmen at all times, it is recommended that you take the following steps:

- Register multiple devices in case something happens to your primary device. Visit the BuckeyePass
- Request passcodes to keep as a backup authentication option. When you see the Duo login screen on your computer, click **Enter a Passcode** and then click the **Text me new codes** button that appears. This will text you ten passcodes good for 365 days that can each be used once.
- Download the Duo Mobile application to all of your registered devices for the ability to generate one-time codes in the event that you lose cell, data, or Wi-Fi service

If none of these options will meet the needs of your situation, you can contact the IT Service Desk at 614-688-4357(HELP) and IT support staff will work out a solution with you.

# **Grading and instructor response**

# How your grade is calculated



| Assignment Category       | Points and/or Percentage |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Lecture quizzes           | 15%                      |
| Panel discussions         | 15%                      |
| Friday reflection paper   | 20%                      |
| Bi-weekly journal entries | 10%                      |
| Podcast                   | 20%                      |
| Final exam                | 20%                      |
| Total                     | 100%                     |

# **Description of major course assignments**

#### Lecture quizzes

Students answer three to five questions about the content presented during the asynchronous lectures which students have to complete by Mondays, 11:59 PM. The questions should be answered by 11:59pm on Mondays.

#### Panel discussions

Starting week 2, students will be grouped into panels. For each Wednesday, one panel of students will be tasked with preparing and asking questions about the material for the day. Another panel of students, joined by the faculty instructors (Birkhold, Gleissner, Nagar) will be tasked with answering those questions. Panel discussions should be between 25-30 minutes and every student on each panel is expected to participate. By Tuesday at 3:00pm each individual student assigned to that week's questioner panel will submit 3-5 questions they intend to ask the following day. The panel discussion grade will be based on active participation, familiarity with the material, and being a productive and respectful panel citizen.

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#### **Friday reflection papers**

Throughout the semester, students will complete 1,200- to 1,500-word papers to discuss in the Friday small-group sessions on weeks 1, 2, 8, and 10. All assignments will be submitted on Carmen and will be due on Friday at 9:10am.

#### **Bi-weekly journal entries**

In weeks 3, 5, 7, 9, 11 students will write 300- to 500-word responses to the following question: how have the readings, lectures, and class discussions over the past two weeks developed, challenged, and influenced your sense of self as a global changemaker and global citizen? Journal entries must be submitted on Carmen by Monday the following week at 5:00pm.

#### Podcast (open to the public and public facing) 20%

Beginning week 12, students will work in groups of 3-4 to create a 6- to 8-minute public-facing podcast that responds to the following prompt: Is it possible for me to be a changemaker? How could I change the world to make it more just? Drawing on the diverse cultural, national, historical, and political cases analyzed in this class, who are my inspirations on my journey as a changemaker and global citizen? To complete this assignment, students will map the evolution in their thinking by drawing on their bi-weekly journal entries and synthesize their findings as a group.

| Week 9  | Students should have identified their group members                            |
|---------|--|
| Week 10 | Students should have exchanges information from each other's journal entries   |
| Week 11 | Students should have a 1- to 2-page blueprint for the content of their podcast |
|         | and should record a two-minute sample podcast                                  |
| Week 13 | Students should submit the final podcast                                       |

#### Final exam

Students will take a final exam during finals week. The exam consists of 20 short-answer and long-answer questions. These questions will draw from our weekly lectures, readings, and discussions, including contextual historical information, theoretical arguments, models of what constitutes citizenship, notions of justice amid a variety of lived experiences, and how these interact with cultural traditions, structures of power, and advocacy for social change.

#### Academic integrity and collaboration guidelines

All activities and assignments in this course, except for the final, are 'open book,' though it is crucial that you cite your sources. You are encouraged to discuss your

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research and writing assignments with the instructor and with other students. However, you should still produce your own work, and it is not permissible to pass off others' work as your own.

Use of AI for any assignments is strictly prohibited.

# Late assignments

No late work will be accepted without consent from instructors (this consent will only be given in the rarest emergencies). Do your assignments well in advance, save your work frequently and in multiple locations, know where the nearest computer lab is in case of technical problems, do whatever you need to do to ensure that assignments will be handed in on time. We recommend you write your Carmen posts in a separate document or copy them before you attempt to post so you have them if the post fails to go through. "Carmen ate my homework" is the new "the dog ate my homework"—and is not an excuse.

# Grading Scale

- 93-100: A
- 90-92: A-
- 87-89: B+
- 83-86: B
- 80-82: B-
- 77-79: C+
- 73-76: C
- 70-72: C-
- 67-69: D+
- 60-66: D
- Under 60: E

# Instructor feedback and response time

 Emails will be answered within 48 hours, Monday – Friday between 9am – 5pm.



• <u>Office hours</u>: weekly schedule will be announced at the beginning of the semester; also available by appointment. For the latter, please email the instructors at least 48 hours in advance with your questions and availability (at least three different dates or times).

#### **Grading and feedback**

Grading for assignments and feedback will be provided within 15 business days after submission.

#### **Preferred contact method**

Reach out to the instructor via email with any questions or concerns.

# **Academic policies**

# Academic integrity policy

See **Descriptions of major course assignments**, above, for my specific guidelines about collaboration and academic integrity in the context of this online class.

It is the responsibility of the Committee on Academic Misconduct to investigate or establish procedures for the investigation of all reported cases of student academic misconduct. The term "academic misconduct" includes all forms of student academic misconduct wherever committed; illustrated by, but not limited to, cases of plagiarism and dishonest practices in connection with examinations. Instructors shall report all instances of alleged academic misconduct to the committee (Faculty Rule 3335-5-487). For additional information, see the Code of Student Conduct: http://studentlife.osu.edu/csc/.

If I suspect that a student has committed academic misconduct in this course, I am obligated by university rules to report my suspicions to the Committee on Academic Misconduct. If COAM determines that you have violated the university's Code of Student Conduct (i.e., committed academic misconduct), the sanctions for the misconduct could include a failing grade in this course and suspension or dismissal from the university.



If you have any questions about the above policy or what constitutes academic misconduct in this course, please contact me.

Other sources of information on academic misconduct (integrity) to which you can refer include:

- Committee on Academic Misconduct web page (<u>go.osu.edu/coam</u>)
- Ten Suggestions for Preserving Academic Integrity (<u>go.osu.edu/ten-</u> <u>suggestions</u>)

# **Copyright for instructional materials**

The materials used in connection with this course may be subject to copyright protection and are only for the use of students officially enrolled in the course for the educational purposes associated with the course. Copyright law must be considered before copying, retaining, or disseminating materials outside of the course.

# Statement on title IX

Title IX makes it clear that violence and harassment based on sex and gender are Civil Rights offenses subject to the same kinds of accountability and the same kinds of support applied to offenses against other protected categories (e.g., race). If you or someone you know has been sexually harassed or assaulted, you may find the appropriate resources at http://titleix.osu.edu or by contacting the Ohio State Title IX Coordinator at titleix@osu.edu

# Commitment to a diverse and inclusive learning environment

The Ohio State University affirms the importance and value of diversity in the student body. Our programs and curricula reflect our multicultural society and global economy and seek to provide opportunities for students to learn more about persons who are different from them. We are committed to maintaining a community that recognizes and values the inherent worth and dignity of every person; fosters sensitivity, understanding, and mutual respect among each member of our community;

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and encourages each individual to strive to reach his or her own potential. Discrimination against any individual based upon protected status, which is defined as age, color, disability, gender identity or expression, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or veteran status, is prohibited.

# Land acknowledgement

We would like to acknowledge the land that The Ohio State University occupies is the ancestral and contemporary territory of the Shawnee, Potawatomi, Delaware, Miami, Peoria, Seneca, Wyandotte, Ojibwe and Cherokee peoples. Specifically, the university resides on land ceded in the 1795 Treaty of Greeneville and the forced removal of tribes through the Indian Removal Act of 1830. I/We want to honor the resiliency of these tribal nations and recognize the historical contexts that has and continues to affect the Indigenous peoples of this land.

More information on OSU's land acknowledgement can be found here: <u>https://mcc.osu.edu/about-us/land-acknowledgement</u>

# Your mental health

As a student you may experience a range of issues that can cause barriers to learning, such as strained relationships, increased anxiety, alcohol/drug problems, feeling down, difficulty concentrating and/or lack of motivation. These mental health concerns or stressful events may lead to diminished academic performance or reduce a student's ability to participate in daily activities. The Ohio State University offers services to assist you with addressing these and other concerns you may be experiencing. If you or someone you know are suffering from any of the aforementioned conditions, you can learn more about the broad range of confidential mental health services available on campus via the Office of Student Life's Counseling and Consultation Service (CCS) by visiting ccs.osu.edu or calling 614-292-5766. CCS is located on the 4th Floor of the Younkin Success Center and 10th Floor of Lincoln Tower. You can reach an on-call counselor when CCS is closed at 614-292-5766 and 24 hour emergency help is also available 24/7 by dialing 988 to reach the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline.

# Accessibility accommodations for students with disabilities

## **Requesting accommodations**

The university strives to maintain a healthy and accessible environment to support student learning in and out of the classroom. If you anticipate or experience academic barriers based on your disability (including mental health, chronic, or temporary medical conditions), please let me know immediately so that we can privately discuss options. To establish reasonable accommodations, I may request that you register with Student Life Disability Services. After registration, make arrangements with me as soon as possible to discuss your accommodations so that they may be implemented in a timely fashion.

If you are ill and need to miss class, including if you are staying home and away from others while experiencing symptoms of a viral infection or fever, please let me know immediately. In cases where illness interacts with an underlying medical condition, please consult with Student Life Disability Services to request reasonable accommodations. You can connect with them at <u>slds@osu.edu</u>; 614-292-3307; or <u>slds.osu.edu</u>.

# **Religious accommodations**

Ohio State has had a longstanding practice of making reasonable academic accommodations for students' religious beliefs and practices in accordance with applicable law. In 2023, Ohio State updated its practice to align with new state legislation. Under this new provision, students must be in early communication with their instructors regarding any known accommodation requests for religious beliefs and practices, providing notice of specific dates for which they request alternative accommodations within 14 days after the first instructional day of the course. Instructors in turn shall not question the sincerity of a student's religious or spiritual

belief system in reviewing such requests and shall keep requests for accommodations confidential.

With sufficient notice, instructors will provide students with reasonable alternative accommodations with regard to examinations and other academic requirements with respect to students' sincerely held religious beliefs and practices by allowing up to three absences each semester for the student to attend or participate in religious activities. Examples of religious accommodations can include, but are not limited to, rescheduling an exam, altering the time of a student's presentation, allowing make-up assignments to substitute for missed class work, or flexibility in due dates or research responsibilities. If concerns arise about a requested accommodation, instructors are to consult their tenure initiating unit head for assistance.

A student's request for time off shall be provided if the student's sincerely held religious belief or practice severely affects the student's ability to take an exam or meet an academic requirement and the student has notified their instructor, in writing during the first 14 days after the course begins, of the date of each absence. Although students are required to provide notice within the first 14 days after a course begins, instructors are strongly encouraged to work with the student to provide a reasonable accommodation if a request is made outside the notice period. A student may not be penalized for an absence approved under this policy.

If students have questions or disputes related to academic accommodations, they should contact their course instructor, and then their department or college office. For questions or to report discrimination or harassment based on religion, individuals should contact the Office of Institutional Equity.

Policy: Religious Holidays, Holy Days and Observances

# **Course Schedule**

Refer to our Carmen course page for up-to-date assignment due dates.

Syllabus

#### INTRODUCTION

|  | Online Asynchronous Session | In-person session 1<br>Wednesday | In-person session 2,<br>Friday |
|--|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
|--|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|



|                             | 80 minutes  | Birkhold, Gleissner,<br>Nagar will be part of<br>each in-person<br>session<br>80 minutes   | Small-group sessions<br>led by one faculty<br>member<br>55 minutes   |
|-----------------------------|---|--|--|
| Week 1<br>Intro-<br>duction | <u>Homework</u> : Review syllabus<br><u>Online lecture</u> . Welcome to the<br>course: faculty introductions,<br>course parameters,<br>expectations, assignments, and<br>learning goals and outcomes. | Homework:<br>Review website of<br>Ashoka: Innovators<br>for the Public, using<br>the guiding questions<br>on Carmen.   | Homework:<br>Short essay: How do<br>you think global<br>changemaking<br>relates to citizenship<br>for a just and diverse<br>world?                                     |
|                             | Quiz about course goals and<br>logistics.   | In-class discussion:<br>What is a<br>changemaker? What<br>is a global<br>changemaker? How<br>is a changemaker a<br>global citizen?<br>In-class activity:<br>Discussion board<br>posts and group<br>discussion:<br>Do you want to<br>change the world?<br>How do you want to<br>change the world? | In-class activity:<br>Peer review and<br>discussion of student<br>essays.<br>In-class activity: How<br>to ask a good<br>question. How to<br>answer a good<br>question. |

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#### PART 1: WHAT QUALITIES DO GLOBAL CHANGEMAKERS POSSESS?

Part 1 of the course is designed to meet this ELO: 3.2 Identify, reflect on and apply the knowledge, skills and dispositions required for intercultural competence as a global citizen.

Weeks 2-5 cover some essential elements of being a global changemaker. Students start learning about fundamental ideas associated with global changemaking but also critique established ways of how organizations such as businesses have capitalized on the idea of making change.

|                                 | Online Asynchronous<br>Session   | In-person<br>session 1                                 | In-person<br>session 2  | ELO   |
|---------------------------------|--|--|---|---|
| Week 2<br>Think for<br>yourself | Homework:<br>Read John Robertson,<br><i>The Enlightenment</i> , p.<br>1-14, 49-81<br><u>Online lecture</u> : The Age<br>of Enlightenment and<br>Kant. What does it<br>mean to be a citizen of<br>a nation-state?<br>Lecture quiz | Homework:<br>Read Kant,<br>"What is<br>Enlightenment?" | Homework:<br>Write an essay<br>on the topic:<br>Do we live in an<br>enlightened<br>age?<br>Discussion: Do<br>we live in an<br>enlightened<br>age? Is your<br>community at<br>home<br>enlightened? | ELO 1.1: 1.1<br>Engage in critical<br>and logical<br>thinking about<br>the topic or idea<br>of citizenship for<br>a just and<br>diverse world.<br>ELO 2.2:<br>Throughout the<br>semester,<br>students will<br>engage in critical<br>thinking about<br>the idea of<br>citizenship,<br>particularly as it<br>relates to<br>concepts of<br>justice and<br>diversity. This<br>will begin in<br>week 2, when<br>students<br>critically reflect |



|                              |  |   |  | on Kant's idea of<br>Enlightenment<br>and the<br>responsibilities<br>of a citizen in<br>the nation-state,<br>and then map<br>those ideas in an<br>essay to their<br>own lives. This<br>will also launch<br>the students'<br>diary entries,<br>through which<br>students will<br>reflect on and<br>assess<br>themselves as<br>learners |
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| Week 3<br>Speak<br>the truth | <u>Homework</u> :<br>Read Gandhi, <i>My</i><br><i>Experiments with Truth</i> ,<br>Chapters 8 and 12<br><u>Online lecture</u> :<br>Nonviolence, politics,<br>citizenship and Gandhi | <u>Homework</u> : Read<br>Gandhi, <i>My</i><br><i>Experiments with</i><br><i>Truth</i> , Chapters<br>14, 15, and 16 | <u>Homework</u> :<br>Read Gandhi,<br><i>My Experiments</i><br><i>with Truth,</i> Part<br>I, Chapter 25;<br>Part II, chapter<br>5; Part III,<br>chapter 9 | ELO 1.2<br>Engage in an<br>advanced, in-<br>depth, scholarly<br>exploration of<br>the topic or<br>ideas within this<br>theme.   |
|                              | Lecture quiz   |   | <u>Discussion</u> : Can<br>we live like<br>Gandhi? Is living<br>like Gandhi<br>ideal?  |   |



| Week 4<br>Be<br>mindful  | <u>Homework</u> :<br>Read Isaiah Berlin,<br><i>Russian Thinkers,</i> p.<br>238-261<br><u>Online lecture</u> : Russian<br>Realism and Philosophy<br>Lecture quiz  | <u>Homework</u> :<br>Read Lev Tolstoy,<br><u>The Kingdom of</u><br><u>God Is Within</u><br><u>You</u><br>p. 1-47, 235-263  | <u>Homework</u> :<br>Read Kate<br>Pickert, <u>The</u><br><u>Mindful</u><br><u>Revolution</u> and<br>Ronald Purser,<br><u>The Mindfulness</u><br><u>Conspiracy</u><br><u>Discussion</u> : Is<br>mindfulness a<br>good thing? | ELO 2.2<br>Demonstrate a<br>developing<br>sense of self as a<br>learner through<br>reflection, self-<br>assessment, and<br>creative work,<br>building on prior<br>experiences to<br>respond to new<br>and challenging<br>contexts. |
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| Week 5<br>Resist<br>evil | Homework:<br>Review history section<br>on Yad Vashem<br>website, <u>The</u><br><u>Nuremberg Trials, The</u><br><u>Anguish of Liberation</u> ,<br>and <u>The Eichmann Trial</u><br><u>Online lecture</u> :<br>Holocaust trials,<br>German responsibility<br>discourse, citizenship as<br>responsibility to the<br>state<br>Lecture quiz | <u>Homework</u> :<br>Hannah Arendt,<br><i>Eichmann in</i><br><i>Jerusalem: A</i><br><i>Report on the</i><br><i>Banality of Evil</i> ,<br>p. 3-35, 83-111,<br>220-252 | Homework:<br>Watch Triumph<br>of the Will<br>(director: Leni<br>Riefenstahl)<br>Discussion: How<br>does ideological<br>seduction work<br>and how does<br>one resist it?   | ELO 3.1<br>Describe and<br>analyze a range<br>of perspectives<br>on what<br>constitutes<br>citizenship and<br>how it differs<br>across political,<br>cultural,<br>national, global,<br>and/or historical<br>communities.           |

#### PART 2: TO CHANGE THE WORLD, YOU MUST UNDERSTAND THE WORLD

Part 2 of this course is designed to meet this ELO: 2.1 Identify, describe and synthesize approaches or experiences as they apply to citizenship for a just and diverse world.

|                              | Online<br>Asynchronous<br>Session   | In-person session 1  | In-person session<br>2 (small group)   |   |
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| Week 6<br>Economics          | Homework: Film<br>Deewar<br>(director Yash<br>Chopra)<br>Online lecture:<br>Marx, film and<br>Marx in India<br>(Amitabh<br>Bachchan as the<br>angry young<br>man)<br>Lecture quiz | <u>Homework</u> :<br>Read Karl Marx and<br>Friedrich Engels, <i>The</i><br><i>Communist</i><br><i>Manifesto</i>  | Homework: Read<br>"Rumpelstiltskin"<br>and Gandhi All<br>Men are Brothers,<br>p. 143-157<br>Discussion: How<br>can you apply<br>Marx's concepts to<br>"Rumpelstiltskin"?<br>How do we<br>challenge what we<br>are asked to do<br>and be as citizens? | 2.1 Identify,<br>describe and<br>synthesize<br>approaches or<br>experiences as<br>they apply to<br>citizenship for<br>a just and<br>diverse world.      |
| Week 7<br>Discriminati<br>on | Homework:<br>Read B.R.<br>Ambedkar,<br><u>Annihilation of</u><br><u>Caste</u><br>Online lecture:<br>Caste and<br>gender and<br>whether all  | <u>Homework</u> :<br>Read Shailaja Paik,<br><i>The Vulgarity of</i><br><i>Caste,</i> p. 125-175,<br>and Joshua<br>Rothman, "The<br>Origins of 'Privilege'" | <u>Homework</u> : Read<br>Mahashweta<br>Devi's <i>Draupadi;</i><br>Kerketta, <i>God and</i><br><i>the Marketplace</i><br>122-127   | 1.2 Engage in<br>an advanced,<br>in-depth,<br>scholarly<br>exploration of<br>the topic or<br>idea of<br>citizenship for<br>a just and<br>diverse world. |



|                  | citizens have<br>the same rights<br>Lecture quiz   |  | Discussion: How<br>do intersections of<br>caste, gender, and<br>class operate in<br>this story? How do<br>intersections<br>between different<br>cultural systems<br>operate in your<br>life?  | 4.2 Analyze<br>and critique<br>the<br>intersection of<br>concepts of<br>justice,<br>difference,<br>citizenship,<br>and how these<br>interact with<br>cultural<br>traditions,<br>structures of<br>power and/or<br>advocacy for<br>social change.  |
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| Week 8<br>Gender | Homework:<br>Read Judith<br>Butler:<br>"Performative<br>Acts and<br>Gender<br>Constitution: An<br>Essay in<br>Phenomenology<br>and Feminist<br>Theory"<br><u>Online lecture</u> :<br>Gender as<br>performance,<br>the Socialist<br>Revolution and<br>Sexuality | <u>Homework</u> :<br>Read Alexandra<br>Kollontai, "Make<br>Way for Winged<br>Eros: A Letter to<br>Working Youth" | <ul> <li><u>Homework</u>:</li> <li>Watch <i>Bed and</i><br/><i>Sofa</i> (director<br/>Abram Room)</li> <li>and write a one-<br/>page essay on the<br/>topic:</li> <li>How do love<br/>relationships work<br/>in today's society?</li> <li><u>Discussion</u>: How<br/>does one change<br/>relationships and<br/>love in practice?</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>2.1 Identify,<br/>describe and<br/>synthesize<br/>approaches or<br/>experiences as<br/>they apply to<br/>citizenship for<br/>a just and<br/>diverse world.</li> <li>4.2 Analyze<br/>and critique<br/>the<br/>intersection of<br/>concepts of<br/>justice,<br/>difference,<br/>citizenship,<br/>and how these</li> </ul> |



|                     | Lecture quiz   |   |   | interact with<br>cultural<br>traditions,<br>structures of<br>power and/or<br>advocacy for<br>social change.  |
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| Week 9<br>Culture   | Homework:<br>Read Czesław<br>Miłosz, <i>The</i><br><i>Captive Mind</i> , p.<br>3-24.<br>Online lecture:<br>How culture<br>workers<br>became<br>complicit in<br>authoritarian<br>regimes, and<br>introduction to<br>the Frankfurt<br>School<br>Lecture quiz | <u>Homework</u> :<br>Read Theodor<br>Adorno and Max<br>Horkheimer,<br><i>Dialectic of</i><br><i>Enlightenment</i> , p.<br>94-136. | Homework:<br>Watch Avengers:<br>Endgame<br>(directors Russo<br>Brothers)<br>Discussion: Is<br>Avengers Endgame<br>high art? (How)<br>does cinema make<br>us politically<br>complicit? | 2.1 Identify,<br>describe and<br>synthesize<br>approaches or<br>experiences as<br>they apply to<br>citizenship for<br>a just and<br>diverse world. |
| Week 10<br>Language | Homework:<br>Read Václav<br>Havel, The<br>Power of the<br>Powerless, p. 1-<br>20.  | <u>Homework</u> : Read<br><i>The Politics of</i><br><i>Language.</i> David<br>Beaver and Jason<br>Stanley, p. 19-65.              | Homework:<br>Keep a language-<br>use diary where<br>you write<br>observations<br>about your own<br>and other people's<br>language use<br>around any one<br>topic (detailed            | 2.1 Identify,<br>describe and<br>synthesize<br>approaches or<br>experiences as<br>they apply to<br>citizenship for                                 |



| Lynne Tirrell,  | instructions on  | a just and  |
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| Genocidal   | Carmen).   | diverse world.  |
| Language  |  |   |
| <i>Games,</i> p. 174-   | Discussion: How  |   |
| 221.<br><u>Online lectures</u> :<br>How language<br>works<br>Lecture quiz | does language<br>shape our<br>understanding of<br>the world? | 2.2<br>Demonstrate a<br>developing<br>sense of self<br>as a learner<br>through<br>reflection,<br>self-<br>assessment<br>and creative<br>work, building<br>on prior<br>experiences to<br>respond to<br>new and<br>challenging<br>contexts. |
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# PART 3: HOW DO YOU WANT TO CHANGE THE WORLD? HOW MUCH OF THE WORLD CAN YOU CHANGE?

|                           | Online<br>Asynchronous<br>Session   | In-person<br>session 1 | In-person<br>session 2 (small<br>group)                             | ELO  |
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| Week 11<br>Social Justice | <u>Homework</u> :<br>Read the <u>Leaflets</u><br><u>of the White</u><br><u>Rose</u> | <u>Homework</u> :      | <u>Homework</u> :<br>Review Fridays<br>for Future<br><u>Website</u> | 1.2 Engage in an<br>advanced, in-<br>depth, scholarly<br>exploration of<br>the topic or idea |



|                        | Online lecture:<br>The White Rose<br>opposition<br>movement,<br>student protests | Indian Farmer<br>Protest (2020-<br>21)<br>Read Jacinta<br>Kerketta, <i>God</i><br><i>and the</i><br><i>Marketplace</i> ,<br>11, 65, 108, 110,<br>Kai Arzheimer,<br>"Every Monday,<br>thousands of<br>Germans rally<br>against Muslims.<br>Here are the 6<br>things you need<br>to know about<br>the 'Pegida'<br>movement."<br>Pussy Riot<br>Eliot Borenstein,<br><i>Pussy Riot</i><br><i>Speaking Punk</i><br><i>to Power</i> , p. 1-<br>33 | Discussion: Does<br>protest affect<br>social change on<br>campus, in Ohio,<br>in the United<br>States and the<br>world? Do<br>citizens have an<br>obligation to<br>protest? | of citizenship for<br>a just and<br>diverse world.<br>4.1 Examine,<br>critique and<br>evaluate various<br>expressions and<br>implications of<br>diversity, equity<br>and inclusion,<br>and explore a<br>variety of lived<br>experiences.<br>4.2 Analyze and<br>critique the<br>intersection of<br>concepts of<br>justice,<br>difference,<br>citizenship, and<br>how these<br>interact with<br>cultural<br>traditions,<br>structures of<br>power and/or<br>advocacy for<br>social change. |
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| Week 12<br>Environment | <u>Homework</u> :<br>Read Ursula<br>Heise <i>, Sense of</i>                      | <u>Homework</u> :<br>Read Sunil<br>Amrith. <i>Crossing</i><br><i>the Bay of</i>   | <u>Homework</u> :<br>Greta Thunberg,<br>"Hope Is<br>Something We<br>Have to Earn,"  | 4.1 Examine,<br>critique and<br>evaluate various<br>expressions and  |



|  | Place and Sense<br>of Planet, p. 17-<br>90<br><u>Online lecture</u> :<br>globalization and<br>the environment<br>Lecture quiz                                 | <i>Bengal,</i> p. 212-<br>249 and<br>Vandana Shiva<br>and J.<br>Bandyopadhyay,<br>p. 133-142               | in <i>The Climate</i><br><i>Book</i> , p. 421-<br>436.<br><u>Discussion</u> :<br>What is our<br>relationship to<br>the natural<br>world? What is<br>the best way to<br>achieve global<br>consensus?               | implications of<br>diversity, equity<br>and inclusion,<br>and explore a<br>variety of lived<br>experiences.  |
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| Week 13<br>Cosmos and<br>Global<br>Citizenship | <u>Homework</u> : Read<br>Kant, "Perpetual<br>Peace"<br><u>Online lecture</u> :<br>Cosmopolitanism<br>, Cosmism, and<br>Global<br>Citizenship<br>Lecture quiz | Homework:<br>Read Boris<br>Groys, Russian<br>Cosmism, p. 1-<br>16, 55-62, 113-<br>132.                     | <u>Homework</u> :<br>Watch <i>Mission</i><br><i>Mangal</i><br>(director Jagan<br>Shakti)<br><u>Discussion</u> :<br>What do we<br>want the<br>cosmos to look<br>like? Is it<br>possible to be a<br>global citizen? | 3.1 Describe and<br>analyze a range<br>of perspectives<br>on what<br>constitutes<br>citizenship and<br>how it differs<br>across political,<br>cultural,<br>national, global<br>and/or historical<br>communities. |
| Week 14<br>Conclusion                          | <u>Homework</u> :<br>Work on<br>application essay   | <u>Homework</u> :<br>Listen to three<br>student<br>podcasts<br><u>Semester</u><br><u>reflection</u> : what | Homework:<br>Work on<br>application<br>essay  | 2.2<br>Demonstrate a<br>developing<br>sense of self as a<br>learner through<br>reflection, self-   |



| Online le<br>What do<br>mean to<br>global<br>changem | es it observe in<br>be a student<br>podcasts? | Discussion:<br>How can global<br>changemakers<br>help promote<br>justice and<br>equality in a<br>diverse world?<br>How will you<br>become a global<br>citizen and<br>global<br>changemaker? | assessment and<br>creative work,<br>building on prior<br>experiences to<br>respond to new<br>and challenging<br>contexts. |
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# 1.1 Engage in critical and logical thinking about the topic or idea of citizenship for a just and diverse world.

While readings from each week encourage critical thinking, readings from weeks 2, 3, 6, 8, and 9 are built such that they respond to student's ability to access their critical skills and build on them. For example, in week 2, students read Kant's "What is Enlightenment," a foundational text that teaches students how to think critically for themselves. The same applies to the design for building logical thinking. Panel discussions which students participate in each week in groups also respond to building logical as well as critical thinking abilities. The goal is for students to feel challenged as well as validated in their learning abilities and goals.

# **1.2** Engage in an advanced, in-depth, scholarly exploration of the topic or idea of citizenship for a just and diverse world.

Throughout the term students read primary texts from diverse figures such as Gandhi, Karl Marx, Alexandra Kollontai, Mahashweta Devi, among others that encourage an understanding of the social, political, and cultural contexts of citizenship and its connection to changemaking as it can be experienced by the individual. The engagement with primary and secondary texts is multilayered--students hear their professors' take, they engage in discussions about the material, and they write about the material in quizzes and reflection papers. This level of engagement will enable in-depth exploration of citizenship and global changemaking.

# 2.1 Identify, describe and synthesize approaches or experiences as they apply to citizenship for a just and diverse world.

Throughout the course, students will explore the concepts of global changemaking and citizenship through a variety of approaches: gender studies (week 8), literature (week 7), media studies (week 5), philosophy (week 2, 4), economics (week 6), environmental humanities (week 12), and language and linguistics (week 10). For the final project, students will synthesize a number of these approaches to answer the question: who are my inspirations on my journey as a changemaker and global citizen?

#### 2.2 Demonstrate a developing sense of self as a learner through reflection, selfassessment and creative work, building on prior experiences to respond to new and challenging contexts.

Reflection papers due during weeks 1, 2, 8, and 10 ask students to reflect on what they have learned and how the learning has helped them evolve as thinkers. In journal entries due during weeks 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, students will be asked to write 300- to 500-word responses to the following question: how have the readings, lectures, and class discussions over the past two weeks developed, challenged, and influenced your sense of self as a global changemaker and global citizen? These assignments, distributed throughout the term, will be scaffolded and students will get a sense of how material they have learned has helped them understand global challenges from a variety of perspectives.

# 3.1 Describe and analyze a range of perspectives on what constitutes citizenship and how it differs across political, cultural, national, global and/or historical communities.

The multidisciplinary focus of this course, with its emphasis on different cultural communities around the world, as well as constant reflection on students' own experiences allows students to develop their awareness of understandings of citizenship around the globe. In each unit, we analyze texts on the respective topic from German-speaking countries, Eastern Europe/Russia, and South Asia. For example, Part I: What Qualities Do Global Changemakers Possess? answers this question through the juxtaposition of texts from 18<sup>th</sup>-century Germany, 19<sup>th</sup>–century Russian Empire, and 20<sup>th</sup>-century India. The introductory lectures provide the relevant political and historical context of each of our topics (assessed by the lecture quizzes), setting up students not only to analyze our works as expressions of specific cultural communities but also to develop ideas of limitations and potential applicability of ideas for their own communities. In our discussions on Fridays and written reflections, students demonstrate their newly gained understanding of the diverse cultural and historical determination of citizenship concepts.

# 3.2 Identify, reflect on and apply the knowledge, skills and dispositions required for intercultural competence as a global citizen.

Panel discussions ask students to apply what they have learned. Students do this by asking the right types of questions and preparing answers for their classmates. In addition, the public facing podcast assignment requires students to map the evolution in their thinking by drawing on their bi-weekly journal entries and synthesizing their findings as a group. In so doing, students will reflect on the knowledge they have gained and draw on their sharpened critical thinking skills and ability to recognize and learn from a variety of perspectives and lived experiences to identify how they might become global citizens and global changemakers.

# 4.1 Examine, critique and evaluate various expressions and implications of diversity, equity and inclusion, and explore a variety of lived experiences.

Students will be required to examine the role of diversity, equity, and inclusion as they relate to global changemaking in several course sessions. Students will evaluate class (week 6), caste (week 7), gender (weeks 7, 8), and sexual orientation (week 8), as they bear on conceptions of citizenship, rights, and power as established in the first part of the course. In Part III of the course, students will then critique these expressions and implications of diversity as they apply them to case studies involving social justice (week 11), the environment (week 12), and the cosmos (week 13). Weekly lecture quizzes will further help ensure students examine each of these various lived experiences.

# 4.2 Analyze and critique the intersection of concepts of justice, difference, citizenship, and how these interact with cultural traditions, structures of power and/or advocacy for social change.

Readings and discussions from several weeks throughout the term respond to this ELO. For example, in week 7 students are asked to examine caste from a multidisciplinary perspective where they read Ambedkar's views of caste and complement this primary text with a contemporary commentary on caste as it is experienced in modern day India. In weeks 5 and 11, students will analyze how concepts of citizenship, diversity, and justice were mobilized in the Holocaust and how people from different background and in different positions of power reacted. Students reflect on how histories of oppression inform analysis of diverse lived experiences today. The podcast assignment will also position students to engage with their own understanding of how justice, difference, and power interact and how to structure their own advocacy for social change.

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"Collaborative" Meaning and context: Teaching partners are expected to collaborate on (1) defining the objectives for the course, (2) putting together the course materials, (3) conducting the formal instruction of students, and (4) evaluating student performance. Note that courses in which one faculty member of record convenes the course and invites one or more guest speakers to take part in the class are not considered courses taught collaboratively. (Those courses may, however, utilize outside speakers when appropriate in addition to the primary faculty members of record.)

In the box below, list which two or more faculty members from what departments/units within which college(s) will engage in the interdisciplinary and integrated collaborative teaching. (This information should also be readily visible on the syllabus.)

Dr. Matthew Birkhold, associate professor of Germanic Languages and Literatures, College of Arts and Sciences; affiliated and adjunct associate professor, Moritz College of Law.

Dr. Ila Nagar, associate professor of Hindi and South Asian Studies, College of Arts and Sciences; specializes in: linguistics, anthropology, gender and sexuality studies, and South Asia Studies

Dr. Philip Gleissner, assistant professor of Slavic and East European Languages and Cultures/Global Arts + Humanities Discovery Theme, courtesy affiliation with Womens', Gender, and Sexuality Studies, College of Arts and Sciences; specializes in: migration studies, media history, queer studies, and film in Czechoslovakia and Soviet Union

"Interdisciplinary" Meaning and context: Participating faculty must be from demonstrably different disciplines, programs, or departments. (Think along the lines of Art & Molecular Genetics, Pharmacy & History, Public Health & Music, etc.) In the box below, explain what the distinct disciplines and contributions of each faculty member are. Furthermore, explain where and how these will show in/contribute to the course GEN Theme. (This information should also be readily visible on the syllabus.)

"Global Changemakers" organically weaves together a range of disciplines and approaches to empower students to develop new visions of a just, diverse, and equitable world for themselves. Relying on the expertise of the faculty and the carefully curated readings and assignments, students examine different ideas of citizenship and how they intersect with cultural, social, and economic models of human relations. Students will develop a sense of how to apply the fundamentals of thought they learn in the class to problems that the future might hold, learning to live in a world that is diverse both culturally and socially. This course draws on the expertise of Ila Nagar on South Asia Studies, Philip Gleissner on Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies, and Matthew Birkhold on German-speaking Europe to enable students to engage in a deep analysis of diverse perspective on global changemaking and citizenship across diverse political, cultural, national, global and historical communities.

Matthew Birkhold is a scholar of jurisprudence, German literature and philosophy from 1750-1945, and the environmental humanities. His expertise will be used in readings and discussions about Kant (weeks 2, 13), Hannah Arendt and Leni Riefenstahl (week 5), Karl Marx and the Brothers Grimm (week 6), Theodor Adorno and Max Horkheimer (week 9), Sophie Scholl (week 11), Ursula Heise and Greta Thunberg (week 12). Birkhold's expertise in the theory of philosophy of law will be particularly deployed in conversations about the intersection of concepts of justice, difference, and citizenship and how they interact with structures of power and cultural traditions.

Ila Nagar is a sociolinguist and a linguistic anthropologist who works in India and is interested in ways language use defines everyday life and social change. Nagar relies on interdisciplinary frameworks to understand the unique ways in which language reflects social hierarchies and lived experiences. Nagar also researches postcolonial South Asia studies and reflects on interactions between language and postcolonial critique. Nagar will be the lead instructor for weeks 3, 6, 7, and 10 where students read primary texts by Gandhi, Devi, Ambedkar, and Karketta. These texts will situate students in a way of understanding politics, economics, and social hierarchies that are fundamentally different from ways of thinking they are likely used to.

In his scholarship and teaching, Philip Gleissner focuses on the lived experience of people under the socio-political system of state socialism in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union. From his interdisciplinary research that connects intellectual history, media studies, and transnationalism studies, he brings to this course the disciplinary frameworks of gender and queer studies (highlighted in the discussion on Soviet socialist feminist writing on gender in week 8), the study of dissidence and oppositional movements under authoritarian socialism (highlighted in the discussion of dissident intellectuals in post-war East Central Europe in weeks 9 and 10), and the study of socialism as a utopian cultural project (highlighted in the analysis of revolutionary writing about the creation of utopianist projects of colonizing outer space in week 13).

"Integrated" Meaning and context: Interdisciplinary integrative teaching is different from multidisciplinary teaching where "faculty present their individual perspectives one after another, leaving differences in underlying assumptions unexamined and integration up to the students. In interdisciplinary courses [...] faculty interact in designing a course, bringing to light and examining underlying assumptions and modifying their perspectives in the process. They also make a concerted effort to work with students in crafting an integrated synthesis of the separate parts that provides a larger, more holistic understanding of the question, problem, or issue at hand." (Klein & Newell, 12) In the box below, explain how the faculty members will be teaching the course together by being both present during all or most course meetings (at least 50% of the meetings) and bringing their different disciplines and perspectives into dialogue to address the GEN Theme. Exactly where and in what manner will this happen? What kinds of assignments will the students produce that demonstrate their ability to integrate the different disciplinary questions, methods, or knowledge to address the GEN Theme at hand? Be specific. (This information should also be readily visible on the syllabus.)

Our course is designed in a way that has students consistently engaged with all three faculty members. The first 80 minutes of the week are completed through asynchronous online modules, consisting of lectures, quizzes, and discussion board posts. All faculty members will be present together in all in-person classes. In most weeks, there are several lectures on different angles of the topics, featuring different faculty members. For example, in week 6 Birkhold and Nagar will lecture on the influence of Marxist philosophy in Bollywood film. In week 10, Nagar and Gleissner offer a joint lecture on the connection between authoritarianism (with a focus on socialist Czechoslovakia) and theory of genocidal language games. We also collaboratively design quizzes and moderate discussions together. Our first in-person class meeting of the week is 80 minutes long and the panel format of the meetings explicitly prompts students to engage with all three instructors, taking into consideration their regional and disciplinary expertise. On Fridays, we convene in breakout groups for 55 minutes. These sessions will ensure that smaller groups of students get a chance to interact with each instructor. Breakout groups of 25 or 30 will meet in three concurrent sessions with a rotation of each instructor for breakout groups. Faculty expertise is weaved in a way that positions students to reflect on multiple perspectives. For example, in week 11, students read the Leaflets of the White Rose, written by Sophie Scholl to protest the policies of Nazi Germany, and then read poetry by contemporary tribal activist from north-east India, Jacinta Karketta. Finally, students review the goals of the global climate strike movement, Fridays for the Future, begun by Greta Thunberg before applying the concepts of protest to their own lives on campus and

beyond. Through course readings, assignments, and in-class discussions, students will thus be able to reflect on and synthesize diverse methods and perspectives while addressing the concept of global changemaking and global citizenship.

### German Major--Curriculum Map

B = Beginning I = Intermediate

A = Advanced

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|   | Cultural<br>Knowledge<br>&<br>Awareness | Compre-<br>hension | Speaking | Critical<br>Analysis | Writing &<br>Critical<br>Expression |
|---|---|--------------------|----------|----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Core Required Courses   |   |                    |          |                      |                                     |
| 1101.01 German 1 -GE  | В                                       | В                  | В        |                      | В                                   |
| 1101.02 German 1 (DL) -GE   | В                                       | В                  | В        |                      | В                                   |
| 1101.51 German 1: Self-paced -GE  | В                                       | В                  | В        |                      | В                                   |
| 1102.01 German 2 -GE  | В                                       | В                  | В        |                      | В                                   |
| 1102.02 German 2 (DL) -GE   | В                                       | В                  | В        |                      | В                                   |
| 1102.51 German 2: Self-paced -GE  | В                                       | В                  | В        |                      | В                                   |
| 1103.01 German 3 -GE  | B/I                                     | B/I                | B/I      |                      | B/I                                 |
| 1103.02 German 3 (DL) -GE   | B/I                                     | B/I                | B/I      |                      | B/I                                 |
| 1103.51 German 3: Self-paced -GE  | B/I                                     | B/I                | B/I      |                      | B/I                                 |
| 2101 Texts & Contexts 1: Contemporary Germany   | Ι                                       | Ι                  | Ι        | B/I                  | Ι                                   |
| 2102 Texts & Contexts 2: 20th-century Germany   | Ι                                       | Ι                  | Ι        | Ι                    | Ι                                   |
| 3101 Texts & Contexts 3: Historical Perspectives  | I/A                                     | I/A                | I/A      | Ι                    | Ι                                   |
| 3102 News & Views: Current Issues   | I/A                                     | I/A                | I/A      | Ι                    | Ι                                   |
| 2350 Introduction to German Studies   | В                                       |                    |          | B/I                  | Ι                                   |
| 3689 or equiv. (data) Words Across the World  |   |                    |          | Ι                    | Ι                                   |
| Advanced Required Courses   |   |                    |          |                      |                                     |
| 3200 Topics in German Literature, Art and Film  | Ι                                       | Ι                  | Ι        | Ι                    | Ι                                   |
| 3300 Topics in German Culture Studies, Social and   | Ι                                       | Ι                  | Ι        | Ι                    | Ι                                   |
| Intellectual History  |   |                    |          |                      |                                     |
| 3600 Topics in German Linguistics/Language  | I                                       | Ι                  | I        | Ι                    | Ι                                   |
| 3602 German for the Professions 1   | Ι                                       | Ι                  | Ι        | Ι                    | Ι                                   |
| 3603 Translation 1  | Ι                                       | Ι                  | Ι        | Ι                    | Ι                                   |
| 4200 Senior Seminar in German: Literature, Art and Film (German)                            | A                                       | A                  | A        | A                    | A                                   |
| 4300 Senior Seminar in German: Culture Studies,<br>Social and Intellectual History (German) | A                                       | A                  | А        | A                    | A                                   |
| 4600 Senior Seminar in German:<br>Linguistics/Language (German)                             | A                                       | A                  | А        | A                    | A                                   |
| 4602 German for the Professions 2   | А                                       | A                  | А        | А                    | А                                   |
| 4603 Translation 2  | А                                       | A                  | A        | А                    | А                                   |
| Advanced Required Courses in English  |   |                    |          |                      |                                     |
| 4250 Senior Seminar in German Studies: Literature,<br>Art and Film (English)                | A                                       |                    |          | A                    | A                                   |
| Elective Courses in German  |   |                    |          |                      |                                     |
| 5602 ALI: German for the Professional World   | A                                       | A                  | Α        | A                    | A                                   |
|   |   |                    |          |                      |                                     |

|   | Cultural<br>Knowledge<br>&<br>Awareness | Compre-<br>hension | Speaking | Critical<br>Analysis | Writing &<br>Critical<br>Expression |
|---|---|--------------------|----------|----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Elective Courses in English   |   |                    |          |                      |                                     |
| 2250 Berlin: Stories, Languages, and Ideas GE   | В                                       |                    |          | В                    | В                                   |
| 2251 German Literature and Popular Culture GE   | В                                       |                    |          | В                    | В                                   |
| 2252H The Faust Theme GE  | В                                       |                    |          | В                    | В                                   |
| 2253         Magic, Murder and Mayhem         GE  | B                                       |                    |          | B                    | B                                   |
| 2254.01   | B                                       |                    |          | B                    | B                                   |
| Grimms' Fairy Tales and their Afterlives GE   | D                                       |                    |          | D                    | D                                   |
| 2254.02 (DL)  | В                                       |                    |          | В                    | В                                   |
| Grimms' Fairy Tales and their Afterlives GE   | D                                       |                    |          | D                    | D                                   |
| 2255 Postwar Germany and Japan GE   | В                                       |                    |          | В                    | В                                   |
| 2256 Fan Fiction: From Homer to Harry Potter GE   | В                                       |                    |          | В                    | В                                   |
| 2310 Introduction to Literature, Culture, and the   | B                                       |                    |          | B                    | B                                   |
| Environment   | D                                       |                    |          | U D                  | U                                   |
| 2352 Dresden Yesterday and Today GE   | В                                       | -                  |          | В                    | В                                   |
| 2367 German Literature and American Culture <i>GE</i>                                     | B                                       |                    |          | B                    | B                                   |
|   | B                                       |                    |          | B                    | B                                   |
| , ,   |   |                    |          |                      |                                     |
| 2798.02 Berlin, Then and Now: People, Places, and Experiences <i>GE</i>                   | В                                       |                    |          | В                    | В                                   |
| 3250.01 Citizenship in the Age of Technology: Exploring                                   | Ι                                       |                    |          | Ι                    | Ι                                   |
| Social Justice through Science Fiction in Germany GE                                      | I                                       |                    |          | I                    | 1                                   |
| 3250.02 Citizenship in the Age of Technology: Exploring                                   | Ι                                       |                    |          | Ι                    | Ι                                   |
| Social Justice through Science Fiction in Germany GE                                      | 1                                       |                    |          | 1                    | 1                                   |
| 3252.01   | Ι                                       |                    |          | Ι                    | Ι                                   |
| The Holocaust in Literature and Film GE   | -                                       |                    |          | -                    | -                                   |
| 3252.02 (DL)  | Ι                                       |                    |          | Ι                    | Ι                                   |
| The Holocaust in Literature and Film GE   |   |                    |          |                      |                                     |
| 3253.01 German immigration in the US GE   | Ι                                       |                    |          | Ι                    | Ι                                   |
| 3253.02 German immigration in the US GE   | Ι                                       |                    |          | Ι                    | Ι                                   |
| 3254H Representations and Memory of the   | Ι                                       |                    |          | Ι                    | Ι                                   |
| Holocaust in Film GE  |   |                    |          |                      |                                     |
| 3354.01 From Viking Saga to Climate Fiction: Nature in Nordic and Germanic Literatures GE | Ι                                       |                    |          | Ι                    | Ι                                   |
| 3354.02 From Viking Saga to Climate Fiction: Nature in Nordic and Germanic Literatures GE | Ι                                       |                    |          | Ι                    | Ι                                   |
| 3256 Coming to Terms with the Holocaust and War   | Ι                                       |                    |          | Ι                    | Ι                                   |
| in Germany: Vergangenheitsbewaeltigung GE   |   |                    |          |                      |                                     |
| 3317 Black Identity & Culture in German-Speaking  | Ι                                       |                    |          | Ι                    | Ι                                   |
| Europe GE   |   |                    |          |                      |                                     |
| 3317H Black Identity & Culture in German-<br>Speaking Europe GE                           | Ι                                       |                    |          | Ι                    | Ι                                   |
| 3351 Democracy, Fascism and German Culture GE   | Ι                                       |                    |          | Ι                    | Ι                                   |
| 3352 Dresden Yesterday and Today GE   | Ι                                       | T                  |          | Ι                    | Ι                                   |
| 3353H German Intellectual History: Marx,  | Ι                                       | 1                  |          | Ι                    | Ι                                   |
| Nietzsche, and Freud GE   | · ·                                     |                    |          |                      | 1                                   |
| 3451H Religion in Modern German Literature and Philosophy GE                              | Ι                                       |                    |          | Ι                    | Ι                                   |

| 3456 Global Changemakers | Ι |  | Ι | Ι |
|--------------------------|---|--|---|---|
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| 4191 Internship in German                      | А |  | А | А |
|--|---|--|---|---|
| 4252 Masterpieces of German Literature GE      | А |  | А | А |
| 4670H Cinema and the Historical Avant Garde GE | А |  | А | А |

#### Appendix

#### Program Goals of the German Major at The Ohio State University

**Linguistic Proficiency** Students demonstrate linguistic proficiency in German at the B2 or C1 level of CEFR, they reflect on their own language and gain translation skills.

**Knowledge** Students demonstrate knowledge of German Linguistics, German History, German Cultural Achievements, and the current German-speaking world.

**Critical Analysis** Students demonstrate the ability to undertake critical reading and analysis of texts, to interpret cultural products and events within relevant contexts, and to express ideas and perspectives clearly, cogently and persuasively.

**Understanding/Perspective** Students demonstrate an understanding of differences in verbal and nonverbal communication, recognize cultural differences and similarities, and gain perspective on their own world view and cultural values.

**Research/Inquiry** Students demonstrate the ability to use sophisticated tools for research and knowledge acquisition, and to evaluate the validity of resources available in the media landscape.