

MODERN EUROPE (Francine Hirsch)  
SOVIET UNION Reading List

**Books Read in Seminar:**

*The Archival Revolution in Soviet History*

The Revolution and Civil War

Daniels, Robert V. *Red October: The Bolshevik Revolution of 1917* (1967) (11)

Rabinowitch, Alexander. *The Bolsheviks Come to Power: The Revolution of 1917 in Petrograd* (1976) (15-16)

Corney, Frederick. *Telling October: Memory and the Making of the Bolshevik Revolution* (2004) (2, 3, 4, 5)

Raleigh, Donald. *Experiencing Russia's Civil War: Politics, Society and Revolutionary Culture in Saratov, 1917-1922* (2002)

The Soviet 1920s

Cohen, Steven F. *Rethinking the Soviet Experience* (1985) (3)

Lewin, Moshe. *The Making of the Soviet System: Essays in the Social History of Interwar Russia* (1985) (9)

Fitzpatrick, Sheila, Alexander Rabinowitch, and Richard Stites, eds. *Russia in the Era of NEP" Explorations in Soviet Society and Culture* (1991) (2, 17)

Edgar, Adrienne. *Tribal Nation: The Making of Soviet Turkmenistan* (2004) (2,3,6, Conclusion)

Wood, Elizabeth. *Performing Justice: Agitation Trials in Early Soviet Russia* (2005) (5,6,7, 9, 10)

Everyday Life Under Stalin

Tucker, Robert C., ed. *Stalinism: Essays in Historical Interpretation* (1977) ("Stalinism as Revolution from Above")

Schapiro, Leonard. "The Concept of Totalitarianism," *Survey* (1969)

Fitzpatrick, Sheila. *Everyday Stalinism: Ordinary Life in Extraordinary Times* (2000) (3, 5, 7, 8)

Hellbeck, Jochen. *Revolution on My Mind: Writing a Diary under Stalin* (2006) (2, 3, 5)

The Great Patriotic War

Werth, Alexander. *Russia at War* (1964)

Merridale, Catherine. *Ivan's War: The Red Army, 1939-1945* (2005)

Roberts, Geoffrey. *Stalin's War: From World War to Cold War, 1939-1953* (2006)

Postwar Stalinism in the USSR and Eastern Europe

Dunham, Vera. *In Stalin's Time* (1976) (1)

Gati, Charles. *The Bloc That Failed: Soviet-East European Relations in Transition* (1990) (1)

Zubkova, Elena. *Russia after the War: Hopes, Illusions, and Disappointments* (1998) (1-14)

Gorlizki, Yoram and Oleg Khlevniuk. *Cold Peace: Stalin and the Soviet Ruling Circle, 1945-1953* (2004)

Naimark, Norman and Leonid Gibianskii, eds. *The Establishment of Communist Regimes in Eastern Europe, 1944-1948* (1998) (4, 5, 6)

The Khrushchev Era

Brzezinski, Zbigniew. *The Soviet Bloc: Unity and Conflict* (1967) (8)

Ulam, Adam. *Expansion and Coexistence* (1974) (11, Lithuania)

Taubman, William. *Khrushchev: The Man and His Era* (2003)

## Research Project

- Heller, Mikhail and Aleksandr Nekrich. *Utopia in Power: The History of the Soviet Union from 1917 to the Present* (1986) (Intro, Conclusion)
- Conquest, Robert. *Stalin: Breaker of Nations* (1991) (Lithuania)
- Senn, Alfred Erich. *Lithuania Awakening* (1990)

## *History and Historiography of the Soviet Union*

### 1917

- Daniels, Robert V. *Red October* (1967) (11)
- Suny, Ronald Grigor. "Toward a Social History of the October Revolution," *American Historical Review* 88 (1983)
- Service, Robert. *Lenin: A Biography* (2000) (?)
- Smith, Steve. *The Russian Revolution: A Very Short Introduction* (2002)
- Civil War and the Formation of the USSR
- Pipes, Richard. *The Formation of the Soviet Union: Communism and Nationalism* (rev. ed., 1991; orig. 1954) (6)
- Figes, Orlando. *A People's Tragedy: The Russian Revolution: 1891-1924* (1998) (selected passages)
- Holquist, Peter. "'Conduct Merciless, Mass Terror': Decossackization on the Don, 1919," *Cahiers du Monde russe* 38 (1997)
- Holquist, Peter. "Anti-Soviet *svodki* from the Civil War: Surveillance as a Shared Feature of Russian Political Culture," *Russian Review* 56 (1997)

### NEP

- Lewin, Moshe. *Lenin's Last Struggle* (1968) (5, 6, 10)
- Ball, Alan. *Russia's Last Capitalists* (1987) (Intro, 1, 6)
- Kaier, Christina. *Imagine No Possessions: The Socialist Objects of Russian Constructivism* (2008)

### Soviet Empire?

- Connor, Walker. *The National Question in Marxist-Leninist Theory and Strategy* (1984) (2, 3)
- Caroe, Olaf. *Soviet Empire: The Turks of Central Asia and Stalinism* (1954) (8-11)
- Massell, Gregory. *The Soviet Proletariat: Moslem Women and Revolutionary Strategies in Soviet Central Asia, 1919-1929* (1974) (Intro, 3, 4, Conclusion)
- Slezkine, Yuri. "The USSR as a Communal Apartment, or How a Socialist State Promoted Ethnic Particularism," *Slavic Review* 53 (1994)
- Northrop, Douglas. *Veiled Empire: Gender and Power in Stalinist Central Asia* (2004)
- Edgar, Adrienne. "Bolshevism, Patriarchy, and the Nation: The Soviet 'Emancipation' of Muslim Women in Pan-Islamic Perspective," *Slavic Review* 65 (2006)

### The "Great Break"

- Fainsod, Merle. *How Russia is Ruled* (1963) (15, 16)
- Fitzpatrick, Sheila. "Cultural Revolution as Class War," *The Cultural Front* (1992)
- David-Fox, Michael. "What is Cultural Revolution?" *Russian Review* 58 (1999) (?)
- Viola, Lynne. *The Unknown Gulag: The Lost World of Stalin's Special Settlements* (2007)

### Stalinism

Boffa, Giuseppe. *The Stalin Phenomenon* (1992) (?)  
Kotkin, Stephen. *The Magnetic Mountain: Stalinism as Civilization* (1995)  
Krylova, Anna. "The Tenacious Liberal Subject in Soviet Studies," *Kritika* 1 (2000)  
Edele, Mark. "Soviet Society, Social Structure, and Everyday Life: Major Frameworks Reconsidered," *Kritika* 8 (2007)

#### World War II

Dallin, Alexander. *German Rule in Russia, 1941-1945* (1957) (3-5)  
Overy, Richard. *Russia's War: A History of the Soviet Effort: 1941-1945* (1998)  
Weiner, Amir. *Making Sense of War: The Second World War and the Fate of the Bolshevik Revolution* (2002)

#### The Revolution Abroad

Gati, Charles. *The Bloc That Failed: Soviet-East European Relations in Transition* (1990)  
Naimark, Norman and Leonid Giabianskii, eds. *The Establishment of Communist Regimes in Eastern Europe, 1944-1949* (1997) (selected chapters)  
Brzezinski, Zbigniew K. *The Soviet Bloc: Unity and Conflict* (1960) (passages)  
Naimark, Norman. *The Russians in Germany: A History of the Soviet Zone of Occupation, 1945-1949* (1995)  
Gross, Jan. *Revolution from Abroad: The Soviet Conquest of Poland's Western Ukraine and Western Belorussia* (2002)  
Zubok, Vladislav. *A Failed Empire: The Soviet Union in the Cold War from Stalin to Gorbachev* (2007)

#### The Postwar USSR

Dunham, Vera. *In Stalin's Time: Middleclass values in Soviet fiction* (1976) (passage)  
Timasheff, Nicholas. *The Great Retreat* (1946)  
Djilas, Milovan. "The New Class: An Analysis of the Communist System" (1957)  
Holloway, David. *Stalin and the Bomb: The Soviet Union and Atomic Energy, 1939-1956* (1996)  
Pollock, Ethan. "Stalin as the Coryphaeus of Science: Ideology and Knowledge in the Postwar Years," in Davies and Harris, eds., *Stalin: A New History* (2005)

#### The Khrushchev Era

Zubok, Vladislav and Constantine Pleshakov. *Inside the Kremlin's Cold War: From Stalin to Khrushchev* (1997) (Intro, 6, 7, 8)  
Fursenko, Aleksandr and Timothy Naftali. *Khrushchev's Cold War* (2006)  
Kozlov, Vladimir A. *Mass Uprisings in the USSR: Protest and Rebellion in the Post-Stalin Years* (2002)  
Gorsuch, Anne E. "Time Travelers: Soviet Tourists to Eastern Europe," in Gorsuch and Koenker, eds. *Turizm: The Russian and East European Tourist Under Capitalism and Socialism* (2006)

#### The Brezhnev Era

Millar, J. "The Little Deal," *Slavic Review* 44 (1985)  
Brudny, Yitzhak. *Reinventing Russia: Russian Nationalism and the Soviet State, 1953-1991* (1998)  
Yurchak, Alexei. *Everything Was Forever, Until It Was No More: The Last Soviet Generation* (2006)

### *Research Colloquium*

- Fitzpatrick, Sheila. "Revisionism in Retrospect: A Persona View." *Slavic Review*, Vol. 67, No. 3 (Fall, 2008).
- Kotkin, Stephen. "Modern Times: The Soviet Union and the Interwar Conjuncture." *Kritika* 2(1).
- Editorial. "Really-Existing Revisionism?" *Kritika* 2: 4.
- Kritika* editorial. "The Imperial Turn," *Kritika* 7: 4 (2006): 705–12.
- Engelstein, Laura. "New Thinking about the Old Empire: Past Soviet Reflections." *Russian Review* 60: 4 (2001): 487-496.
- Editors, *Ab imperio*. "In Search of a New Imperial History," *Ab imperio*, 1/2005: 33-56.
- Berelowitch, Wladimir. "History in Russia Comes of Age: Institution Building, Cosmopolitanism, and Theoretical Debates Among Historians in Late Imperial Russia," *Kritika* 9: 1 (2008): 113–34.
- "Letter," *Kritika*, vol. 8, no. 1 (Winter 2007): 222–24.
- Kotkin, Stephen. "1991 and the Russian Revolution: Sources, Conceptual Categories, Analytical Frameworks." *The Journal of Modern History* 70: 2 (1995): 384-425.
- Mickenburg, Julia. "The New Generation and the New Russia: Modern Childhood as Collective Fantasy," *American Quarterly*.

### *Independent Study*

- Montefiore, Simon Sebag. *Young Stalin* (2007).
- Pollock, Ethan. *Stalin and the Soviet Science Wars* (2006).
- Brown, Kate. *A Biography of No Place: From Ethnic Borderland to Soviet Heartland* (2004).
- Kirschenbaum, Lisa A. *The Legacy of the Siege of Leningrad, 1941-1995: Myth, Memories, and Monuments* (2006).
- Pleshakov, Constantine. *Stalin's Folly: The Tragic First Ten Days of World War II on the Eastern Front* (2005).
- Zubok, Vladislav M. *A Failed Empire: The Soviet Union in the Cold War from Stalin to Gorbachev* (2007).
- Hirsch, Francine. *Empire of Nations: Ethnographic Knowledge and the Making of the Soviet Union* (2005).

### **Other Books Read:**

- Alexiyevich, Svetlana. *War's Unwomanly Face [Y Voiny – ne zhenskoe litso]* (1988)
- Armstrong, John A. *Soviet Partisans in World War II* (1964)
- Brooks, Jeffrey. *Thank You, Comrade Stalin! Soviet Public Culture from Revolution to Cold War* (2000).
- Burds, Jeffrey. "Gender and Policing in Soviet West Ukraine, 1944-1948." *Cahiers du Monde russe*, 42/2-3-4 (Avril-décembre 2001): 279-320.
- Chatterjee, Choi. *Celebrating Women: Gender, Festival Culture, and Bolshevik Ideology*,

- 1910-1939 (2002).
- . *Soviet Heroines and Public Identity, 1930-1939*. The Carl Beck Papers in Russian and East European Studies, Number 1402 (1999).
- . “Soviet Heroines and the Language of Modernity, 1930-39.” In *Women in the Stalin Era*, edited by Melanie Illič, 49-68 (2001).
- Fürst, Juliane. “Heroes, Lovers, Victims – Partisan Girls during the Great Fatherland War: An analysis of documents from the spetsotdel of the former Komsomol Archive.” *Minerva*, Vol. XVIII, No. 3-4 (2000): 38.
- Gorsuch, Anne E. *Youth in Revolutionary Russia: Enthusiasts, Bohemians, Delinquents* (2000).
- Grenkevich, Leonid. *The Soviet Partisan Movement 1941-1944: A Critical Historiographical Analysis* (1999).
- Hill, Alexander. *The War Behind the Eastern Front: The Soviet Partisan Movement in North-West Russia 1941-1944* (2005).
- Holquist, Peter. *Making War, Forging Revolution: Russia’s Continuum of Crisis, 1914-1921* (2002).
- Howell, Edgar M. *The Soviet Partisan Movement, 1941-1944* (1956).
- Kirschenbaum, Lisa A. “Gender, Memory, and National Myths: Ol’ga Berggol’ts and the Siege of Leningrad.” *Nationalities Papers*, Vol. 28, No. 3 (2000): 551-564.
- Krylova, Anna. *Soviet Women in Combat: A History of Violence on the Eastern Front* (2010).
- . “Stalinist Identity from the Viewpoint of Gender: Rearing a Generation of Professionally Violent Women-Fighters in 1930s Stalinist Russia.” *Gender and History*, Vol. 16, No. 3 (November 2004): 626-653.
- Mawdsley, Ewan. *Thunder in the East: The Nazi-Soviet War 1941-1945* (2005).
- Shepherd, Ben. *War in the Wild East: The German Army and Soviet Partisans* (2004).
- Slepyan, Kenneth. *Stalin’s Guerillas: Soviet Partisans in World War II* (2006).
- Tirado, Isabel A. *Young Guard! The Communist Youth League, Petrograd 1917-1920* (1988).
- Tumarkin, Nina. *The Living & The Dead: The Rise and Fall of the Cult of World War II in Russia* (1994).

### **Additional Reading:**

10 books by Russians: Review essays

Kritika, *Ab Imperio*

State of Russian research since 1989

Literature changing? Being published in West

Oleg Khlevniuk

Burbank, Jane, Mark Von Hagen, and Anatolyi Remnev. *Russian Empire: Space, People, Power, 1700-1930* (2007)



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