HIST 133C: WEB PROJECT GUIDELINES

Timeline

• In order to qualify for the web option (otherwise you must take the final exam), you must:
  1. have received a 7 or better on your first draft
  2. submit a printed, revised version of that draft, with all prior submissions (prospectus and draft), on Friday, Feb. 27.
  3. I will return these by March 3 (if you really want yours on Mar. 1, please write that on the printout).
  4. Make the recommended corrections and resubmit the printed revision with my comments, with an electronic copy in microsoft word format, at my office by Friday, March 5, 1pm.
     The electronic copy can be e-mailed or on a disk (I will return your disk—do write your name on it).
  5. If you would like to include any images, these must be mailed/saved as separate files (do not just insert them into the word document). However, indicate on the printout where they should be inserted.
  6. For bonus credit, you can do a short (3-5 minute) presentation of your essay to the class on 3/8 or 3/10.

Project Elements

Your final submission must have the following elements in addition to your book essay text:

§1. Full author, title, and (publication information) of the book or books on which your essay is based. They should be in the following form:
   Authorsfirstname Authorslastname, Title and Subtitle in Italics (Cityofpublication: Publisher, yearpublished), number of pages. UCSB call number.

§2. A second, centered paragraph with the text on four lines (I'll turn the "course homepage" into a link):
   Book essay[review, whatever] written by Yourfirstname Yourlastname
   February 2004
   for Prof. Marcuse's upper division lecture course Germany since 1945 (course homepage)
   UC Santa Barbara, Winter 2004

§3. An about the author sentence or paragraph, in which you describe: yourself (major, class year, relevant interests), and the extent of your knowledge of German/European history (e.g. personal/family connections, previous coursework, travel). You might also say why you chose this particular book or topic.
   Example: I am a junior political science major who has been studying the formation of political parties. I traveled through Germany after I graduated from high school, and I hope to intern at the German Bundestag next summer. I chose to write about the German Green party because I am interested in environmental issues.

§4. An abstract of your essay (about 150-200 words), in which you briefly describe what the book is about, and state the author's and/or your main thesis (the main point they/you are trying to make).

§5. The text of your essay. Please do not use underlining, only bold and italics (underlining is for links only).

§6. At the end you should have a sources section, with the full bibliographic information for the book reviews you found. This is also the place to list at least two other books or journal articles on your topic, or relevant links you have found. You should briefly annotate them. An annotation is a brief description, possibly with an assessment. For an example you how to do this for links, see the course website, section "examples for paper topics;" for books, see the listing of course books on the syllabus or website.

Grading
This project, like the final exam, is worth 15 points (plus up to 3 bonus points for presentations). You will receive 5 points for the extra round of revision, meeting the deadlines, and getting the format right. You will receive up to 5 more points for your "about the author" (2pts) and abstract (3pts) texts. You will receive up to 5 more points for sources section (the list of books, articles, and links).