**OFFICE OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**
**COURSE APPROVAL FORM**
**COURSE CHANGE**

**College:** CAHS  
**Prefix/Subject Code:** HY  
**Course Number:** 486  
**Course Title:** Europe During the Cold War  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Cross Listed:** 586  
**Effective Date:** 2017/2018 Catalog

**Nature of Change:**  
*(Check all that apply)*

- ❌ Add to Charger Foundations  
- ✔ Course Title Change  
  - **Old Title:** Europe During the Cold War  
  - **New Title:** Communism and its Legacies in Russia and Eastern Europe

- ❌ Course Number Change  
- ❌ Course Description Change  
  - **Old Description:** "Seminar course focusing on Europe during the Cold War era."  
  - **New Description:** "Overview and analysis of communist states and post-communist legacies in Russia and Eastern Europe."

- ❌ Course Requisite Change  
- ❌ Course Restriction Change  
  - **Old Restriction:**  
  - **New Restriction:**

- ❌ Fee Change  
  - **Old Fee:**  
  - **New Fee:**

- ❌ Move to Inactive  
- ❌ Return to Active  
- ❌ Delete
Justification of Change:

I first taught "Europe During the Cold War," a new course which I introduced, in Fall 2014. Based on lessons learned during that semester, I am changing the course title to "Communism and its Legacies in Russia and Eastern Europe" to match the content changes I plan to make for the next offering, coming in Fall 2017.

First, the new title better reflects the geographic focus of the class by encompassing Russia, where state communism began and which remains a potent political player today. The title, by specifying Eastern Europe, also better indicates that the majority of the European focus is on communist and post-communist Eastern Europe, not Western Europe.

Second, the new title extends the chronological scope of the course both backwards, to include the 1917 Bolshevik Revolution in Russia and the high Stalinist period, and also forward, to include an analysis of the post-Cold War decades.

Additionally, the History Department is proposing a new graduate certificate in "Comparative Cultures and Conflicts," with a proposed launch date of Fall 2017. I will teach "Communism and its Legacies in Russia and Eastern Europe," which is both an undergraduate and graduate course, as part of this new certificate program, which we hope will appeal to local military and military civilian employees as well as our traditional basis of history majors and graduate students. I believe that a course emphasis on Russia, which is also conveyed in the course title, will be helpful with recruitment.

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College Dean: Graduate Dean:

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Acknowledgements from other units:

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