

History and Philosophy

New!

SALLUST AND THE FALL OF THE ROMAN REPUBLIC

FEE: \$60

Join **Robert Gourley**, professor of history, to explore the life and times of the Gaius Sallustius Crispus. This ancient Roman historian lived during the first century B.C., when the collapse of Rome's centuries-old republic gave way to the dictatorship of Julius Caesar. Sallust's direct accounts of some of the most important events in Roman history may be found in two classical works, *The Jugurthine War* and *The Conspiracy of Catiline*.

HIS T46-61, OC/SK, 4 Fri., 10/2-10/23, 9:30-11 am CRN 60893

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AN INTRODUCTION TO STRATEGIC STUDIES FOR HISTORY BUFFS

FEE: \$60

Join political and strategic analyst **Michael Zimmerman** to learn and discuss central themes of international security affairs. We'll consider key concepts of classic thinkers, like Clausewitz, Sun Tzu., and Thucydides, look at strategic concepts including deterrence, asymmetric warfare, surprise war and deception in warfare, reflect on intentions and capabilities, and consider factors in crisis analysis. The discussion will cover some of America's current and recent strategic concerns. Zimmerman has a master's degree in international relations from the London School of Economics.

HIS T53-61, OC/SK, 4 Wed., 9/9-9/30, 10-11:30 am CRN 61168

THE LIFE AND TIMES OF WINSTON S. CHURCHILL

FEE: \$80

Historian **Bill Haase** considers Winston Churchill one of the "top four" greatest individuals of the last millennium – a strong statement, to say the least. Churchill was Great Britain's Prime Minister during most of World War II, and a pivotal figure in the effort to defeat the Nazis. A prolific writer and brilliant speaker, his memorable speeches offer a treasure trove of wit and wisdom. Churchill's many-faceted life is testimony to triumph over adversity.

HIS T47-61, OC/SK, 5 Tue., 10/6-11/3, 10:30 am-12 pm CRN 60851

JEWS, CHRISTIANS, MUSLIMS

FEE: \$110

Did Muhammad think he was founding a new religion? Muhammad heard God's message from the angel Gabriel, but he also was certainly inspired by stories he heard from fellow travelers in caravans, as well as those featured in the Jewish Bible and Christian Gospels. Join **Marianka Fousek, Th.D.**, to explore the commonalities of these three monotheistic religions, and how barriers to understanding were erected between them.

HIS T48-61, OC/SK, 10 Thu., 9/24-12/3, 10 am-12 pm CRN 60852

New!

MARX: PROPHET OF ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL CRISIS?

FEE: \$80

The current and unprecedented worldwide financial and economic crisis is spurring new interest in Karl Marx's critique of capitalist value production. Join **Peter Hudis**, instructor of philosophy, to explore how Marx's analysis of credit, overproduction, and the tendency of profit to decline illuminate the serious contradictions that plague today's global economy. To what extent did Marx anticipate the kind of crises we are now experiencing?

PHL E90-61, OC/SK, 5 Thu., 8/20-9/17, 10-11:30 am CRN 60853

New!

THE EMERGENCE OF MONOTHEISTIC BELIEF SYSTEMS IN THE ANCIENT MEDITERRANEAN AND NEAR EAST

FEE: \$120

After two centuries of investigation by biblical scholars and literary specialists, it is now possible to document the evolution of monotheistic belief systems in the ancient Mediterranean and Near East. Rather than an isolated phenomenon of Hebreo-Judahitic, later Christian, and Islamic theologies, monotheism was more likely a broad movement towards the unification of many God-images from ancient Hellenic, Egyptian, Assyrian, Canaanite, and Iranian cultures, as well as post-exile Jews. Join **Douglas Gillette, M.A., M.Div.**, for a provocative exploration of the monotheistic roots of Western civilization. (no class 9/18)

PHL E91-61, OC/SK, 10 Fri., 9/11-11/20, 10 am-12 pm CRN 60854