
COURSE CONTENT – THE FRENCH RESISTANCE – SPRING 2024



Wednesday: 10:45 - noon

Duration: 5 weeks – online

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This is an advanced course conducted in French so it is important that you can handle detailed information, understand the essence to participate in discussions. Depending on the topic, we will use authentic documents, maps, short videos/texts. We may also present the material via lecture with structured documents as medium to support comprehension.

The goal of this very informative online class is to stimulate discussion, share thoughts/ideas/emotions that are relevant to the topic.

The following topics will be discussed:

- Which events led to the Second World War?
- How did divided France (1940 - 1944) called *État français* look like and what was the impact on the life of the French in general?
- Collaboration (Pétain and the Vichy government) and Resistance (Charles de Gaulle)
- Jean Moulin and his role in the French resistance
- Authentic documents and personal testimonies
- Life in France after the Second World War (art, literature, philosophers, ...)