



Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
History

Course Reading

History as Social Therapy and Trauma Recovery

Valid from 09/01/2025

Course Code: HIA200

Course Title: History as Social Therapy and Trauma Recovery

Credits: 7.5

Degree Level: Master's level

Book Chapter

Alexander, J. C.. Toward a Theory of Cultural Trauma. *Cultural Trauma and Collective Identity* (p. 1-30) Berkeley: University of California Press.

<https://doi.org/10.1525/9780520936768-002>

Harris, V. (2002). The Archival Sliver: A Perspective on the Construction of Social Memory in Archives and the Transition from Apartheid to Democracy. In Hamilton, C., Harris, V., Taylor, J., Pickover, M., Reid, G., Saleh, R. (Editor). *Refiguring the Archive* (p. 135-160) Dordrecht: Springer https://doi.org/10.1007/978-94-010-0570-8_9

Simon, Roger I., Eppert, Claudia, Simon, Roger I. (2005). *Remembering Obligation: Witnessing Testimonies of Historical Trauma* (p. 50) New York: Palgrave Macmillan US https://doi.org/10.1007/978-1-137-11524-9_4

Articles

Abrutyn, Seth (2023/11/30, 2023, 2025/06/15). The Roots of Social Trauma: Collective, Cultural Pain and Its Consequences: Society and Mental Health. *Society and Mental Health*, 14 (3), p. 240. <https://doi.org/10.1177/21568693231213088> doi: 10.1177/21568693231213088

AHLSKOG, JONAS (2024/12/01, 2024, 2025/06/15). ?TESTIMONY STOPS WHERE HISTORY BEGINS?: UNDERSTANDING AND ETHICS IN RELATION TO HISTORICAL AND PRACTICAL PASTS: History and Theory. *History and Theory*, 63 (4), p. 23.

<https://doi.org/10.1111/hith.12362>

Assmann, Aleida (2006). History, Memory, and the Genre of Testimony. *Poetics Today*, 27 (2), p. 261-273. <https://doi.org/10.1215/03335372-2005-003>

Assmann, Aleida (2008, 2025/06/16/). Transformations between History and Memory: Social Research. 75 (1), p. 49. <http://www.jstor.org/stable/40972052>

Hirschberger, Gilad (2018). Collective Trauma and the Social Construction of Meaning. *Volume 9 - 2018*.
<https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/psychology/articles/10.3389/fpsyg.2018.01441>

LACAPRA, DOMINICK (2016, 2025/06/16/). TRAUMA, HISTORY, MEMORY, IDENTITY: WHAT REMAINS?: History and Theory. 55 (3), p. 375.
<http://www.jstor.org/stable/24809608>

Martinez, Angelica R., Rubenstein, Richard E. (2016, 2025/06/16/). The Truth of Fiction, Literature as a Source of Insight into Social Conflict and Its Resolution: International Journal of Conflict Engagement and Resolution. 4 (2), p. 208.
<https://www.jstor.org/stable/26928702>

Minow, Martha (2015, 2025/06/16/). Forgiveness, Law, and Justice: California Law Review. 103 (6), p. 1615. <http://www.jstor.org/stable/24758550>

In addition, the above list of literature is accompanied by 300-500 pages of optional fiction.

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