

# History in ACTION

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## History in Action: Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany

For year 11, 12 and 13 students

This fascinating and eye-opening day will include a diverse range of relevant talks designed to challenge, entertain and enthuse students studying democracy and dictatorship in twentieth-century Germany. Focusing on the period 1918 - 1945, the programme is specifically designed to appeal to A-level, IB and year 11 GCSE students preparing for the Edexcel, AQA and OCR specifications. Delivered by world-class historians and leading experts, presentations will cover topics on the aftermath of WW1, the Depression and the Weimar Republic through to the rise of Hitler, propaganda and control in Nazi Germany and the impact of WW2. There will be interactive elements throughout the day with all talks drawing on recent cutting-edge academic research and presented in an engaging and illuminating way.

The day will include two optional lunchtime examination sessions for both A-level and GCSE students, providing first-hand guidance and insights to help boost students' confidence and grades. Useful handouts containing key information on the topics covered, suggested further reading together with examination advice will be provided and there will be plenty of opportunity to ask questions throughout the day.

Watch this space for further speaker announcements!

- [Discrimination and racial persecution in Nazi Germany and the Holocaust](#)
- [Talk TBC](#)
- [Why did Germans vote for Hitler?](#)



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**Venue: £25.50 +VAT \***

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## Discrimination and racial persecution in Nazi Germany and the Holocaust /

Mary Fulbrook - University College London



How did the persecution of Jews and other groups in Nazi Germany develop into a European-wide programme of mass murder? This lecture examines the radicalisation of Nazi racial policies and practices in the light of recent historical research.

Mary Fulbrook is Professor of German History at UCL and a Fellow of the British Academy. A powerful and passionate speaker, she has written widely on German history, including both popular textbooks and specialist monographs. Among her many books are the Fraenkel Prize-winning "A Small Town near Auschwitz: Ordinary Nazis and the Holocaust" and, most recently, "Reckonings: Legacies of Nazi Persecution and the Quest for Justice", which was winner of the 2019 Wolfson Prize.



## Talk TBC /

Richard J Evans - Cambridge University

We are delighted to welcome back Sir Richard J Evans, one of the world's leading historians of 20th-century Germany. Sir Richard has published over 18 books, including the highly regarded Third Reich Trilogy, considered a 'masterpiece of historical scholarship'. Watch this space for further details of his talk.

Sir Richard J Evans is Regius Professor Emeritus of History at Cambridge University. His research interests are modern German and European history, particularly social and cultural history. He has published widely, including a large-scale history of the Third Reich, winning numerous prizes. As one of the world's leading experts on Nazi Germany, he regularly appears on radio and TV documentaries.



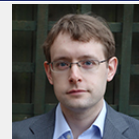
## Why did Germans vote for Hitler? /

Alexander Watson - Goldsmiths, University of London



On 30th January 1933 Adolf Hitler was appointed Chancellor of Germany, the first fateful step in the creation of a totalitarian Nazi dictatorship. Although backroom deals with political elites brought Hitler his chancellorship, it was the Nazis' extraordinary electoral successes that made possible their rise to power. Since July 1932, when an absolute majority of Germans had voted for anti-democratic parties on the right and left and nearly 14 million, 37 per cent of the electorate, had voted NSDAP, Hitler's party had become by far the most popular in Germany. This session draws on new research to explore why Germans voted for Hitler. It examines how religion, class, gender and unemployment shaped the constituencies which supported the Nazis, and it also reconstructs how propaganda, passions and a polarised 'culture war' brought about Hitler's rise, birthing a new age of extremes.

Alexander Watson is Professor of History at Goldsmiths, University of London and an award-winning author of many books and papers on East-Central Europe and Britain during the First World War. His most recent book, *The Fortress: The Great Siege of Przemysl*, was hailed as a masterpiece by *The Times* newspaper. He is currently working on a book on Weimar voting and the collapse of democracy.



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