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# Guide to the Edward Tannenbaum Papers 1938-1959



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# **Descriptive Summary**

Identifier	ICU.SPCL.TANNENBAUME
Title	Tannenbaum, Edward. Papers
Date	1938-1959
Size	2.5 linear feet (5 boxes)
Repository	Special Collections Research Center University of Chicago Library 1100 East 57th Street Chicago, Illinois 60637 U.S.A.
Abstract	Edward Robert Tannenbaum (1921-?) University of Chicago graduate (AB 1942, PhD 1950) and scholar of modern European history studied at at Colorado State University (1950-1956), Rutgers University (1956-1962), and the New York University (1962 - ). Papers include course notes, writings and teaching materials from Tannenbaum's studies and teaching.

# Acknowledgments

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# Information on Use

# Access

Series IV includes student evaluative material restricted until 2033. The remainder of the collection is open for research.

# Citation

When quoting material from this collection, the preferred citation is: Tannenbaum, Edward. Papers, [Box #, Folder #], Special Collections Research Center, University of Chicago Library

# **Biographical Note**

Edward Robert Tannenbaum was born on June 20, 1921, in Chicago, Illinois, to Esther Kaplan and Abraham Tannenbaum. After graduating from Senn High School, located on the North Side of Chicago, Tannenbaum went to the University of Wisconsin. In 1939, he went to the University of Chicago, where he would remain until the completion of his bachelor's degree.

During World War II, Tannebaum served in the U.S. Army and was stationed in France from 1943 to 1946. He earned two Bronze Stars for his military service. Once the war was over, he returned to the University of Chicago to pursue a doctoral degree in History. From 1946 to

1948, he enrolled in various graduate history courses. The following year, Tannenbaum spent a year abroad at the University of Paris from 1948 to 1949. In June of 1950, he completed his doctoral degree with a dissertation entitled, "The 'Action Français' before the First World War".

Soon afterwards, Tannenbaum began his teaching career at Colorado State University, where he taught from 1950 to 1956. After teaching at this institution for six years, he moved to Rutgers University and taught there until 1962. In 1961, Tannenbaum published his first book entitled The New France by the University of Chicago Press. A year later, Tannenbaum moved to the New York University and became an associate professor at the age of 40. In 1965, after fifteen years of completing his doctorate, Tannenbaum became a full professor at the New York University. During his tenure at the New York University, Tannenbaum published a few books: The Action Francaise (1962); European Civilization since the Middle Ages (1965); The Fascist Experience: Italian Society and Culture, 1922-1945 (1972); and 1900: The Generation before the Great War (1977). He also edited and co-edited the books, A History of World Civilizations (1973) and Modern Italy: A Topical History Since 1861 (1974).

# **Scope Note**

The Edward Tannenbaum Papers are organized into three series: Series I: Course Notes; Series II: University Teaching; Series III: Writing and Notes. The collection contains Tannenbaum's handwritten class notes, typed notes from readings, and other course materials. As a professor, Tannenbaum collected his lecture notes along with bibliographies, quizzes, and exams. Tannenbaum also did some writing while teaching. This includes a few book reviews and short essays. All of these materials date between 1938 and 1959, with the bulk of the materials from 1938 to 1948. These papers primarily document Tannenbaum's notes from History courses as an undergraduate and graduate student at the University of Chicago.

Series I, Course Notes, contains Tannenbaum's lecture notes as a student at the University of Wisconsin and the University of Chicago between 1938 and 1948.

The first subseries, University of Wisconsin, 1938-1939, contains Tannenbaum's notes on medieval history; the crusades; and western civilization.

The second subseries, The College, University of Chicago, 1939-42, contains Tannenbaum's handwritten and typed notes from readings and lectures. The first part contains notes on a philosophy sequence course; history courses, largely focusing on Europe; and a sociology course.

The third subseries, History Department, University of Chicago, 1946-1948, contains thirteen folders that are Tannenbaum's lecture notes, exams, papers, as well as reading notes.

Series II, University Teaching, contains Tannenbaum's lecture notes, syllabi, handwritten course plans, and exams.

The first subseries, Colorado State University, 1953-55, contains three folders that consist of Tannenbaum's notes, quizzes, and other materials related to the courses he taught at this institution.

The second subseries, Rutgers University, 1959, contains Tannenbaum's lecture and course notes for Russian History.

The third subseries, Course Materials, contains Tannenbaum's exams and quizzes that he used for courses and a folder with bibliographies he collected.

Series III, Writings and Notes, contains Tannenbaum's book reviews and drafts of these documents; a few short essays; and documents that he collected related to political thought, fascism, and social psychology.

Series IV, Restricted Materials, contains two student quizzes from Tannenbaum's World History course at Colorado State University in 1953. Access to materials in this series is restricted until the year 2033.

# **Related Resources**

The following related resources are located in the Department of Special Collections:

http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/spcl/select.html

# **Subject Headings**

- Tannenbaum, Edward R.
- University of Chicago. Division of the Social Sciences
- University of Chicago. Department of History

# INVENTORY

# **Series I: Course Notes**

# Subseries 1: University of Wisconsin, 1938-1939

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Box 1
Folder 1
Medieval History, University of Wisconsin, 1938
Box 1
Folder 2
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History Notes, University of Wisconsin, 1939

## Box 1

# Folder 3

The Crusades, University of Wisconsin, 1938-1939

## Subseries 2: The College, University of Chicago, 1939-1942

#### Box 1

#### Folder 4

Philosophy 101, University of Chicago, Autumn 1939

#### Box 1

Folder 5

Philosophy 102, University of Chicago, Winter 1940

#### Box 1

#### Folder 6

Philosophy 103, University of Chicago, Spring 1940

#### Box 1

#### Folder 7

Logics, University of Chicago, Summer 1940

#### Box 1

#### Folder 8

Introduction to the Study of History, History 201, University of Chicago, Autumn 1941

## Box 1

#### Folder 9

The Age of Absolute Monarchy, History 233, University of Chicago, Autumn 1941

#### Box 1

#### Folder 10

The Reformation, History 231, University of Chicago, Spring 1941

## Box 1

## Folder 11

Social Orientation of Children, Sociology 354, University of Chicago, Summer 1941

# Box 2

# Folder 1

Europe from 1789 to 1878, History 235, Winter 1942 and Europe 1871 to 1920, History 238, University of Chicago, Spring 1942

# Subseries 3: History Department, University of Chicago, 1946-1948

# Box 2

# Folder 2

German Foreign Policy, 1871 to 1946, History 344A, University of Chicago, Summer 1946

# Box 2

#### Folder 3

Carolingian History and Feudalism, History 320A, University of Chicago, Autumn 1946 Box 2

#### Folder 4

Feudal Germany and the Holy Roman Empire, History 322, University of Chicago, Winter 1947

## Box 2

## Folder 5

20th Century French Political Thought, History 339, University of Chicago, Winter 1947 Box 2

# Folder 6

England and France in the Later Middle Ages, History 325, University of Chicago, Spring 1947

# Box 2

# Folder 7

Medieval France, History 321, University of Chicago, Spring 1947

#### Box 2

## Folder 8

European Historiography in the 19th Century, University of Chicago, Summer 1947

# Box 3

# Folder 1

Revolutionary Tradition, History 334, University of Chicago, Autumn 1947

# Box 3

## Folder 2

Modern European History, History 447, University of Chicago, Winter 1948

# Box 3

# Folder 3

French Revolution, History 334, University of Chicago, Winter 1948

# Box 3

#### Folder 4

Revolution of 1848, University of Chicago, Spring 1948

# Box 3

# Folder 5

Central Eastern Europe in in the 18th Century, History 343A, University of Chicago, Spring 1948

#### Box 3

# Folder 6

Contemporary European and American Historians, University of Chicago, History 408, no date

# Series II: University Teaching

# Subseries 1: Colorado State University, 1953-1955

# Box 3

# Folder 7

World History, ES 86, Colorado State University, 1953

# Box 3

# Folder 8

Current World History Problems, ES 90, Colorado State University, no date **Box 4** 

Folder 1

Era of the French Revolution, ES 187, Colorado State University, no date

#### Subseries 2: Rutgers University, 1956-1962

#### Box 4

#### Folder 2

Russian History, History 367 and 368, Rutgers University, 1956-1962, 1 of 4

#### Box 4 Folder 3

Russian History, History 367 and 368, Rutgers University, 1956-1962, 2 of 4

# Box 4

## Folder 4

Russian History, History 367 and 368, Rutgers University, 1956-1962, 3 of 4

# Box 4

Folder 5

Russian History, History 367 and 368, Rutgers University, 1956-1962, 4 of 4

# **Subseries 3: Course Materials**

#### Box 5

Folder 1

Exams and Quizzes, 1953-1962

#### Box 5

Folder 2

Bibliographies, no dates

## **Series III: Writings and Notes**

#### Box 5

#### Folder 3

Essays and Drafts, no dates

## Box 5

Folder 4

Miscellaneous, no dates

# **Series IV: Restricted Materials**

#### Box 5

## Folder 5

Student Quizzes, World History, ES 86, Colorado State University, 1953