

Grande Prairie Regional College

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History 2610

Canada: 1867 – 2000

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This is an introductory survey course which examines the development of Canada from Confederation to the present. Major topics/themes include national expansion, resistance and the rise of regionalism; Quebec's place in Confederation; immigration; labour; class conflict; agrarian protest; the "Great Depression" and the impact of two World Wars. Special attention will be paid to the nation's politicians and to its political/constitutional structures since these major themes/issues are played out in the political arena.

Basic Required Readings:

Alvin Finkel and Margaret Conrad, *History of the Canadian Peoples Vol. 11, 1867 to the Present* (Copp Clark, 1998)

Additional readings will be assigned and placed on reserve in the LRC.

Requirements and Grading:

- i) Mid – term test – 20% (Feb. 22)
- ii) Essay (approx. 2000 – 2500 words) – 40% (due March 5)*
- iii) Final Examination – 40% (April)

Late papers will be penalized (one stanine grade for each week that they are late) unless there is a compelling reason for the tardiness. Late essays will be accepted until the last day of formal classes; however, essays handed in after the due date may not receive the instructor's written comments.

Lecture Topics and Schedule

January

3 Introduction/Canada and Sir John A Macdonald

Readings: Text Chap. 1, pp. 5 – 33; Chap. 2 pp 35 – 38
Suggested further readings (LRC Reserve) , Warner, *The Post Confederation Annexation Movement in Nova Scotia*

8 Canada and the North – West

Readings: Text Chap. 2 pp.38 – 42

10 Rounding Out Confederation: B C and P E /Sir John A. and the Pacific Scandal

Readings: Text Chap. 2 pp.42 – 46

Suggested further readings (LRC Reserve) , Sage, *British Columbia Becomes Canadian, 1871 – 1901*

Weale and Baglole, *The Island and Confederation: The End of an Era*

15 Alexander Mackenzie and the Liberals, 1874 – 78/The National Policy and the Resurgence of Sir John A.

Readings: Text Chap. 2 pp. 46 – 48

17 The North – West Rebellion, 1884 – 86/Riel and Quebec

Readings: Text. Chap. 2 pp.48 – 51

Note: Historiographical Debate; Metis Migrations pp. 65 – 67

✓Suggested further Readings (LRC Reserve) David Lee, *The Metis Militant Rebels of 1885*.

22 National Unity and the Old Chieftan

Readings: Text Chap. 2 pp. 51 – 58; Chap 6 pp.157 – 166

24 The Decline and Fall of the Conservative Party, 1891 – 1896

29 Canada in the Laurier Era 1896 – 1911

Readings:Text Chap.2 pp.58 – 69; Chap. 3 pp.71 – 97.

Suggested further readings (LRC Reserve) Carl Berger, *Imperialism amd Nationalism, 1884 – 1914: A Conflict in Canadian Thought*

Note: The National Policy vs Regional Development: Historiographical Debate pp. 95 – 96.

31 Immigration into Canada

Readings: text Chap. 4 pp. 99 – 126

Note: Urban Poverty During the Laurier Period Historiographical Debate pp 122 – 123.

February

5 Henri Bourassa and French Canada/The Election of 1911

Readings: Text Review Chap 6 pp. 157 – 161; Chap. 7, pp.197 - 200

Suggested further readings (LRC Reserve) J. Levitt, *Henri Bourass on Imperialism and Biculturalism*

7 Canada and World War 1

Readings: Text Chap. 7 pp. 200 – 217.

12 The Conscription Crisis of 1917

Note : Conscription: Historiographical Debate pp. 222 – 223.

14 Reform, Recession and Class Conflict

Readings Text Chap. 5 pp.127 – 155; Chap. 7 pp. 217 – 222

Note: The Suffragists: Historiographical Debate pp. 151 – 152.

19 Mackenzie King

Readings: Text: Chap. 8 pp.227 – 230

21 Mid – term test

March

5 The Progressives/The "Roaring" Twenties

Readings: Text Chap.8 pp.230 – 238;Chap. 9 pp.255 – 262

Suggested further readings (LRC Reserve) Walter Young, *The Progressives*.

7 The Great Depression Part 1

Readings: Text Chap 8 pp.238 – 242; Chap. 9 pp. 262 – 274

Note: What Caused the Great Depression: Historiographical debate pp. 272 – 273.

12 The Great Depression Part 11

Readings: Text Chap. 8 pp.246 – 254

Suggested further readings (LRC reserve) James Struthers *Canada's Unemployment Policy in the 1930's*

14 Aberhart and Social Credit/Duplessis and Quebec

Readings: Text Chap. 8 pp.242 – 246.

19 Canada and WW 11

Readings: Text Chap. 11 pp. 305 – 332

21 Post War Canada/Louis St. Laurent and the Liberals

Readings: Text Chap. 12 pp.337 – 360

Note: Origins of the Welfare State: A Historiographical Debate pp. 329 – 330

21 Diefenbaker and Pearson

28 The Quiet Revolution

Readings: Text Review pp.352 – 353; Chap 17 pp.467 – 478
Suggested further readings (LRC Reserve) Richard Jones, *Politics and the Reinforcement of French language in Canada and Quebec.*

April

2 The Trudeau Era

Readings: Text Review Chap.12 pp.352 – 360.

4 The Mulroney Years

Readings: Text Chap. 17 pp. 459 – 467; Review pp. 467 – 476
Note: If Quebec Leaves: Historiographical Debate pp. 489 – 490

9 "We're Back! ":Chretien and the Liberals

Readings: Text Chap. 17 pp. 476 – 492
Note: The Development of Quebec Nationalism: Historiographical Debate p.358

11 Recapitulation and Review