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HI2370 – THE HISTORY OF THE CANADIAN NORTH
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Description:

Since 1970, a good deal has been written on the history of the Canadian North and this course will concentrate on the history of the western portion of our North, from Hudson Bay to the Pacific, and from the 55th parallel to the Arctic. This university transfer credit (3) course is designed to provide a general view of major stages of human and economic development in the Canadian North, both north of 60 and the 'forgotten' provincial north between 55 and 60, and a more detailed view of the historical experience of the Peace River Country. Community members as individuals or as administrators/managers in our northern region, along with teachers and undergraduates in a wide variety of disciplines, will find this course of value personally and professionally.

Part A: History of the Canadian Northwest

1. The Northwest as a Human Community and Economy Before 1867
2. From Rupert's Land to North-West Territories
3. The Creation of a Northern Image
4. Creation of Provincial Agricultural North in the Prairie Provinces and BC
5. Developing Industrial Resource Economies in the Northwest
6. The Modern Northwest

Part B: Peace River Country History

1. Natural and Pre-History and Native Culture to 1900
2. The Fur Trade
3. Exploration and Surrendering the Land
4. Euro-Canadian Settlement and Institutions to 1914
5. Economic Development and Social and Political Issues to 1940
6. Post 1940 Expansion and the Peace River Country today

Texts:

<u>The Forgotten North</u>	Coates & Morrison	1992
<u>The True North</u>	Morrison	1998

Evaluation:

Book Report	20%
Mid-Term Exam	30%
Film Report	20%
Final Exam	30%