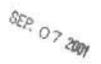
Grande Prairie Regional College



History 2600

Canada 1500 - 1867

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This is an introductory survey course which examines the formation of Canada from the earliest times to Confederation (1867). It is hoped that this course will aid students in achieving a truer understanding of how Canada evolved and how particular present day problems have developed.

Basic required readings:

Conrad, Finkel, Jaenen, History of the Canadian Peoples Volume One: Beginnings to 1867. (Copp Clark, 1998)

Additional assigned readings will be on reserve in the LCR (see lecture topics and schedule).

Requirements and Grading:

- Mid term Oct. 23 (20%)
- ii) Essay Nov. 1 (40%)*
- iii) Final Dec. (40%)
- Late papers will be penalized (one stanine grade for each week 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.
- It is also advisable for students to keep a copy of all essays they submit.

Lecture Topics and Schedule

September:

6 – Introduction/Geography and Canadian History

Readings: Conrad, Finkel, Jaenen (hereafter referred to as text)
Introduction, pp. xiii – xix

11 - The First Nations of Canada

Readings: Text - Chapter One (pp.5 - 31)

13 - Who Came and Why 1000 AD - 1608

Readings: Text - Chapter Two (pp.33 - 53) Optional background reading

18 - New France 1608 - 1663 Part One

20 - New France 1608 - 1663 Part Two

Readings: Text - Chapter Three (pp. 55 - 82).

25 - New France 1663 - 1713

Readings: Text - Chapter Four (pp. 87 - 113)

27 - The Struggle for North America: France vs England 1689 - 1760

Readings: Text - Chapter Five (pp.115 - 141) Chapter Six (pp.143 - 165)

October

2 - The Conquest in Canadian history

Readings: LRC Reserve: Fernand Ouellet, "The Legacy of New France Restored to Favour" in Carol Wilton, Change and Continuity (pp.102 – 109)

M. Brunet, "The British Conquest and the Decline of the French – Canadian Bourgeoisie in Wilton (pp. 110 – 116). Also on LRC Reserve.

4 - British North America in the Age of the American Revolution

Readings: Text - Chapter Six pp. 165 - 173 Chapter Seven (pp.179 - 209)

9 – Thanksgiving Day – No Class.

11 - Film and Discussion; New France and New England

16 - The United Empire Loyalists 1783 - 1791/ Upper Canada: The Simcoe Years

Readings; Text - Chapter Seven (review reading)

LRC Reserve : J. Petryshyn, "An Imperial Proconsul in a Wilderness Province: John Graves Simcoe in Upper Canada, 1791 - 96"

18 - Upper Canada and Lower Canada, 1791 - 1812

Readings: Text: Chapter Nine pp.243 - 249

23 - Mid - term test

25 - The War of 1812

Readings: Text - Chapter Ten pp. 274 - 278

30 - Film and Discussion: The War of 1812

November

1 - The Fur Trade Empire, 1783 - 1821 (essay due)

Readings: Text - Chapter Eleven (pp. 299 - 327)

6 - Political Unrest and Rebellion in Upper and Lower Canada, 1815 - 1837

Readings: Text – Chapter Ten pp. 278 – 287 LRC Reserve – J. Petryshyn, "The Upper Canadian Rebellion of 1837: Why the Road to Insurrection"

8 - Lord Durham and the Union of the Canadas

13 - The Achievement of Responsible Government

Readings: Text - Chapter Ten pp.287 - 297

LRC Reserve: Carol Wilton, "Responsible Government in Canada West"

15 - Political Developments in the Maritime Colonies

Readings: Text - Chapter Eight (pp.211 - 41).

20 - The Canadian Commerical Revolution 1841 - 1854

Readings: Text – Chapter Nine pp. 250 – 271 (Overview) Chapter Thirteen pp.365 – 377

22 - Immigration Before Confederation 1815 - 1860

Readings: Text - Chapter Nine pp. 249 - 271 (Review) Chapter Twelve (pp.329 - 357)

27 - Railways and Urbanization/Canadian Politics in the 1850's

Readings: Text - Chapter Ten pp. 289 - 297

Chapter Thirteen pp. 377 - 393

LRC Reserve: J. Petryshyn "Nineteenth Century Cobourg: A Historical Profile" LRC Reserve: P. Satterly, "The Cobourg – Peterborough Railway: Destiny Denied"

December

4 - The Movement Toward Confederation

Readings: Text - Chapter Fourteen (pp. 395 - 417) LRC Reserve - Brian Young, "George - Etienne Cartier; Montreal Bourgeois"

6 - Recapitulation and Review.