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:

Mid – term test – 20% (Feb. 22) Essay (approx. 2000 – 2500 words) – 40% (due March 5)* 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 I/Sir John A. and the Pacific Seandal

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 Debute: Metis Migrations pp. 65 - 67

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

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