



DEPARTMENT OF ARTS AND EDUCATION

COURSE OUTLINE – WINTER 2011

HI 3220 A3 Russia in the 20th Century - 3 (3-0-0) 45 Hours

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OFFICE HOURS: Mon. 2:30-4:30; Tues. 1-4;

PREREQUISITE(S)/COREQUISITE: None

REQUIRED TEXT/RESOURCE MATERIALS:

Text: Russia in the Twentieth Century. 6th Ed. Pearson Education.

A History of Russia. 8th Ed.

The Rise and Fall of the Soviet Union. Pearson Longman.

Russia the Soviet Period and After. 4th Edition. Prentice Hall.

A reading schedule will be available on Moodle.

Links to reading materials will be available on Moodle.

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:

A historical survey of Russia in the Soviet period from the revolutions of 1917 to the fall of Gorbachev.

CREDIT/CONTACT HOURS:

HI 2100 consists of three hours of lecture and discussion each week.

DELIVERY MODE(S):

The course work includes lectures, discussions, research and writing assignments as well as a midterm and final exam.

COURSE OUTCOMES:

The primary objectives of HI3220 are:

- To present students with an overview of the history of Russia in the Soviet period of time in 20th century
- To develop and enhance historical research and synthesis skills as well as composition skills.

TRANSFERABILITY:

**** Grade of D or D+ may not be acceptable for transfer to other post-secondary institutions. Students are cautioned that it is their responsibility to contact the receiving institutions to ensure transferability**

This course has university transferability to the University of Alberta, University of Calgary, University of Lethbridge, Athabasca University, Concordia University College of Alberta, Canadian University College, Grant MacEwan University and King's University College. For complete information consult the Alberta Transfer Guide (www.transferalberta.ca).

GRADING CRITERIA:

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| Class Participation | 10% |
| Assignment #1 (Article Review) | 10% |
| Assignment #2 (Essay) | 25% |
| Midterm Exam | 20% |
| Final Exam | 35% |

All assignments must be word-processed. It is particularly important to save a copy of any written work handed in for credit or grading.

All assignments will be submitted electronically via Moodle. This procedure will be demonstrated in class.

All assignments are to be submitted before midnight on the due date. To encourage promptness and in fairness to those who complete their work on time, late assignments will be reduced 15% for each twenty-four hour period (or part thereof, including weekends and holidays) after the due date.

Students will be granted five (5) days of extension to use at their discretion during the term. They may be applied to any of the three assignments in any combination (ie. submitting one assignment three days late, another two days late and the third one time). Extensions beyond this will only be considered when students contact the instructor prior to the deadline and present evidence of

extenuating circumstances. Other scheduled coursework will not be considered an extenuating circumstance.

Grades will be assigned on the Letter Grading System.

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| GRADING CONVERSION CHART | | | |
| Alpha Grade | 4-point Equivalent | Percentage Guidelines | Designation |
| A ⁺ | 4.0 | 90 – 100 | EXCELLENT |
| A | 4.0 | 85 – 89 | |
| A ⁻ | 3.7 | 80 – 84 | FIRST CLASS STANDING |
| B ⁺ | 3.3 | 77 – 79 | |
| B | 3.0 | 73 – 76 | GOOD |
| B ⁻ | 2.7 | 70 – 72 | |
| C ⁺ | 2.3 | 67 – 69 | SATISFACTORY |
| C | 2.0 | 63 – 66 | |
| C ⁻ | 1.7 | 60 – 62 | |
| D ⁺ | 1.3 | 55 – 59 | MINIMAL PASS |
| D | 1.0 | 50 – 54 | |
| F | 0.0 | 0 – 49 | FAIL |
| WF | 0.0 | 0 | FAIL, withdrawal after the deadline |

EVALUATION:

Students will be assessed on their research, synthesis and writing in the three course assignments. The presentation of information in terms of organization and writing will be given equal weight in grading to the research and analysis.

There will also be a midterm exam scheduled during class in February and a final exam written during the exam period in April. These will consist of both short answer and essay questions.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Students are expected to commit the required time to complete this course. Requests to reschedule assignments or exams are extraordinary and will only be granted under such circumstances.
- Submitting assigned work on the dates set by the instructor. Late assignments will be penalized 15% per 24 hour period beyond the due date.
- Regular attendance is important to success in HI1120. The lectures contain important information and interpretations for exams and instructions and examples for essays.
- Participation in course discussions is important and 10% of your final grade is based on your contributions to these classroom discussions.
- Students who are unable to write the midterm on the scheduled date should advise the instructor as soon as possible either by e-mail or office telephone. Makeup midterms will only be granted under extenuating circumstances.

STATEMENT ON PLAGIARISM AND CHEATING:

Please refer to pages 49-50 of the College calendar regarding plagiarism, cheating and the resultant penalties. These are serious issues and will be dealt with severely.

COURSE SCHEDULE/TENTATIVE TIMELINE:

January 7: INTRODUCTION

January 10: FROM KIEV TO MOSCOW. KIEVAN RUS, MUSCOVY, THE RUSSIAN EMPIRE.

January 14: RUSSIA THE LAND OF THE TSARS.FROM PETER THE GREAT TO NICHOLAS 2nd.

January 17: RUSSIA BEFORE THE GREAT WAR. RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR (1904/05). RUSSIA AND BALKAN CRISIS.

January 21:THE WORLD WAR I AND REVOLUTIONS IN RUSSIA (1914-1918).

January 24: SEMINAR:ALEXANDER KERENSKY VS VLADIMIR ILYANOV(LENIN)

January 28: SEMINAR: "WHO PAID LENIN FOR THE REVOLUTION?"

January 31: THE CIVIL WAR IN RUSSIA 1917-1920. THE "WHITE" RUSSIANS GENERALS: KORNILOV,VRANGEL,MANNERHEIM,KOLCHAK,DENIKIN. THE "RED" BOLSHEVIKS: TROTSKY,STALIN,LENIN,BYKHARIN

February 4: THE STRUGGLE FOR POWER AND THE RISE OF STALIN. CREATION OF THE USSR

February 7: STALIN'S REVOLUTION PART ONE

February 11: STALIN'S REVOLUTION PART TWO

February 14: RESEARCH WORKSHOP:"WHITE EMIGRE ERA"(NADEZHDA PLEVITSKAYA-"RUSSIAN MATA HARI")

February 18: THE GREAT PATRIOTIC WAR.RUSSIA IN WORLD WAR II

February 22 and 25 – Winter Break – No Classes

February 28: SEMINAR:STALIN VS HITLER

March 4: MIDTERM EXAM

March 7: RUSSIA THE BIGGEST EURASIAN EMPIRE.THE CREATION OF THE SOVIET BLOCK

Assignment #1 (Research Report) Due

March 11: THE COLD WAR AND RUSSIA

March 16 - Last Day to Withdraw without Academic Penalty

March 14: TOTALITARIANISM -THE SOVIET VARIANTS

March 18: SEMINAR: TRUE FACE OF TYRANNY.

March 21: THE KRUSCHEV ERA 1954-1964

March 25: SEMINAR:NIKITA KRUSCHEV VS JOHN KENNEDY

March 28: THE BREZHNEV ERA 1964-1982

Assignment #2 (Essay) Due

April 1: THE GORBACHEV ERA FROM THE USSR TO THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION

April 4: SEMINAR: MICHAEL GORBACHEV VS RONALD REAGAN

April 8: : THE POST-GORBACHEV RUSSIA. BORIS YELTSIN, VLADIMIR PUTIN

April 11: EXAM REVIEW - HAVE A GREAT SPRING/SUMMER!