University of Guelph – Department of History

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**HIST\* 3380  
British Imperialism in Asia and Africa**

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**Course Objectives and Description**

British Imperialism in Asia and Africa is specifically interested in the impact of British imperialism on the non-Western societies of Asia and Africa and the latter’s responses. The course combines a narrative, analytical and historiographical approach to the material. The course challenges students to think critically about what imperialism meant for both the British and their subject peoples. British Imperialism in Asia and Africa examines four main contextual themes:

1. The course begins with an examination of the ideologies of British colonization that include moral, political and economic ideas.
2. The course continues with examination of the British impact on societies in Asia and Africa.
3. The course will examine the impact of imperialism on such things as race, gender, sex and class.
4. Finally the course examines the challenges to British imperialism both in terms of war and on the part of non-Western societies in the form of colonial nationalist movements; processes that eventually lead to decolonization.

**Course Learning Objectives**

Coupled to understanding the historical content of British Imperialism in Asia and Africa, the course aims to further develop existing student academic skills. This is an integral part of the student’s learning process at university, and one the student by third year should be mastering. The course aims to help the student develop:

1. Critical and creative thinking- The ability to undertake critical inquiry and analysis in general and as relates to course work.
2. Literacy and Communication- Reading, writing and oral communication skills through engagement of assignments, examinations and class discussions.
3. Understanding- A student’s sense of historical understanding and how history interacts with the present.
4. Professional and ethical behaviour- The practices and proper methodologies of the student of history, and an understanding of academic integrity in general as applied to the responsible use of historical sources and ethical presentation of one’s work.

**Lectures and Discussion**

Lectures are on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. For a successful grade and full understanding of the course, regular attendance is essential. All students must come to lectures and discussions having reviewed and understood the required readings, and should be prepared to actively participate in the discussions.

**Contact and Email Communication**

I will be holding regular, weekly office hours. (TIME AND PLACE TBD). If this time does not fit into your schedule, we can arrange a meeting as a different time. As per university regulations, all students are required to check their <mail.uoguelph.ca> e-mail account regularly: e-mail is the official route of communication between the University and its students. Contact me through the provided e-mail address and I will respond as soon as I am able.

**Required Text**

Lloyd, T.O. *The British Empire 1558-1995 Second Edition*. New York: Oxford University Press, 1996.

**Website**

HIST\* 3380 has a website on Courselink. The Department of History also maintains a website (<http://www.uoguelph.ca/history>), which is helpful to students in history courses. News of developments in the department is posted monthly to keep interested persons informed of upcoming events and proposals.

Recording of Materials and Classroom Etiquette   
Presentations which are made in relation to course work—including lectures—cannot be recorded or copied without the permission of the presenter, whether the instructor, a classmate or guest lecturer. Material recorded with permission is restricted to use for that course unless further permission is granted.

**Course Requirements and Grading**

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**Mid-term Test**

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**Research Paper**

Satfqaw

**Email Submission of Late Assignment**

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Copies of out-of-class assignments

Keep paper and/or other reliable back-up copies of all out-of-class assignments: you may be asked to resubmit work at any time

**Late Penalty**

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**Inability to Meet Course Requirements**

When you find yourself unable to meet an in-course requirement because of illness or compassionate reasons, please advise the course instructor (or designated person, such as a teaching assistant) in writing, with your name, id#, and e-mail contact. See the undergraduate calendar for information on regulations and procedures for Academic Consideration.

**Academiuc Consideration and Counselling**

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**Drop Date**

The last date to drop one-semester courses, without academic penalty, is.  For regulations and procedures for Dropping Courses, see the Undergraduate Calendar.

**Academic Intergrity and Misconduct**

The University of Guelph is committed to upholding the highest standards of academic integrity and it is the responsibility of all members of the University community – faculty, staff, and students – to be aware of what constitutes academic misconduct and to do as much as possible to prevent academic offences from occurring.  University of Guelph students have the responsibility of abiding by the University's policy on academic misconduct regardless of their location of study; faculty, staff and students have the responsibility of supporting an environment that discourages misconduct.  Students need to remain aware that instructors have access to and the right to use electronic and other means of detection.

Please note: Whether or not a student intended to commit academic misconduct is not relevant for a finding of guilt. Hurried or careless submission of assignments does not excuse students from responsibility for verifying the academic integrity of their work before submitting it. Students who are in any doubt as to whether an action on their part could be construed as an academic offence should consult with a faculty member or faculty advisor. The Academic Misconduct Policy is detailed in the Undergraduate Calendar.

Student Rights and Responsibilities

Each student at the University of Guelph has rights which carry commensurate responsibilities that involve, broadly, being a civil and respectful member of the University community. The Rights and Responsibilities are detailed in the Undergraduate Calendar

**Accessibility**

The University of Guelph is committed to creating a barrier-free environment. Providing services for students is a shared responsibility among students, faculty and administrators. This relationship is based on respect of individual rights, the dignity of the individual and the University community's shared commitment to an open and supportive learning environment. Students requiring service or accommodation, whether due to an identified, ongoing disability or a short-term disability should contact Student Accessibility Services as soon as possible. For more information, contact CSD at 519-824-4120 ext. 56208 or email [sas@uoguelph.ca](mailto:sas@uoguelph.ca) or see the website: <http://www.csd.uoguelph.ca/csd/>

Resources  
The Academic Calendars are the source of information about the University of Guelph’s procedures, policies and regulations which apply to undergraduate, graduate and diploma programs.

**Course Schedule (Starts Sept. Thursday 8)**

**Week 1:** Introduction and Ideological Background to the British Empire

**Week 2:** Driving Forces Towards Colonization, Seven Years War, Joint Stock

**Week 3:** India

**Week 4:** China

**Week 5:** Africa

**Week 6:** Religion and Race (No Class Monday 10)

**Week 7:** Women, Gender and Class

**Week 8:** Colonial Culture and Sport

**Week 9:** War Nationalism and Imperialism (Last Day to Drop Class Nov. 4)

**Week 10:** Decolonization: India, Burma Middle East

**Week 11:** Decolonization: Africa (Fri. Dec. 2 Last Day of Class)