

Preliminary Web Course Description

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY. WINTER, 2015

HIST* 4900 W (3-0) [1.00]

Topics in Modern India

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Course Format: 1 (120 min.) seminar per week

Course Synopsis:

Hist*4900 examines select topics in the development of India as an independent nation state and modern nation from the late 19th to the 21st century. It examines issues and readings in Indian political nationalism and the nation state, caste, economic reform, foreign policy, gender, social and environmental activism, gay rights, contemporary culture, and post-colonial identity and the new India

Seminar Discussions

Hist*4900 is a seminar course intended for upper-level students, and individuals with specialized interests in Indian and non-Western history. The seminars are devoted to the discussion of readings, and selected students each seminar will be required to guide discussion of readings on behalf of the class. Student participation as such is essential, and the ability to actively participate in guiding the seminar and contributing to discussions forms part of the student's mark.

Methods of Evaluation and Weights:

Seminar Participation	40%
Seminar Leadership	30%
Research Term Paper	30%

Readings

Hist*4900 will utilize electronic readings available from the course website on Courselink, as well as internet readings.

****Please note: This is a preliminary web course description only. The department reserves the right to change without notice any information in this description. The final, binding course outline will be distributed in the first class of the semester.***