

**HIST 4406 Topic Studies in Cultural History (3,2,1)**

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**HIST 4407 Topic Studies in Social History (3,2,1)**

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**HIST 4898-9 Honours Project (6,\*,\*)**

Prerequisite: Level-four standing

A required project for all History BA (Hons) students. Students will pursue in-depth historical research on a specific topic of interest to the student under the guidance of appointed lecturers from the Department of History. Students are to consult with their advisors regarding the necessary library and archival research, synthesis and writing. The purpose of the project is to integrate the professional skills which have been taught in the preceding three years with specific application to a topic to produce a written report of such a synthesis. This project will be open only to four-year degree route students.

**HIST 7010 Colloquium in History and Historical Research (3,\*,\*)**

Prerequisite: Postgraduate student standing

The content of the course, which is team taught, will vary from semester to semester, depending on students' areas of research and their academic needs. Postgraduate students will explore in this colloquium a wide range of historiographical topics related to their researches under close supervision of our faculty members.

**HIST 7020 Issues and Controversies in Modern History (3,\*,\*)**

Prerequisite: Postgraduate student standing

This course is designed to familiarize postgraduate students with major issues and controversies in modern history. Special attention will be given to the areas which suit our students' research interests. Major international refereed journals and recently published monographs in relevant field of studies will be taken as reference materials.

**HIST 7310 Global Colonial and Postcolonial Cultures (3,3,0)**

This course explores modern colonialism and postcolonialism from the perspective of cultural history. By taking a global approach, students will identify commonalities and differences between the cultures of multiple European empires and individual colonies. Students will consider the meaning and significance of terms such as 'colonial', 'postcolonial', and 'nation'. Furthermore, they will critically examine concepts such as hybridity and material culture. Drawing on case studies from diverse regions, the course will explore several themes, including the construction of colonial/postcolonial identities and colonialism's impact on political culture. In addition to considering the effects of imperialism in the colonies, students will also engage with debates about the impact of empire on European cultures. By the end of the course, students will understand the lived experience of colonialism and its legacies in the contemporary world. Furthermore, they will be able to propose solutions to the enduring global and local problems arising from the colonial experience.

**HIST 7320 Contemporary China and Globalization (3,3,0)**

This course aims to: 1) stimulate students' knowledge of the development of China's foreign relations in the contemporary period; 2) develop research skills in the study of Chinese diplomacy, culture, and globalization; 3) enhance students' understanding of the relationships between cultural developments and foreign affairs in contemporary China; 4) strengthen students'

knowledge of China's position in the contemporary world affairs and its role in the process of globalization.

**HIST 7510 South China Studies (3,3,0) (P)**

Prerequisite: Postgraduate student standing

For more than two decades, South China (especially Hong Kong and the provinces of Guangdong and Fujian) has been described as the "promised land" of modern China. Its modern socio-economic growth can be traced back to the early eighteenth century when groups of Cantonese and Fujianese migrated to Southeast Asia. Starting from the 1840s, the Chinese Diaspora gained momentum again with the establishment of treaty ports in coastal Guangdong and Fujian, and the ceding of Hong Kong to British rule. In the late 1970s, South China has been selected by the central government as modern China's "special economic regions" to implement economic reforms. Its familial and ethnic network with the overseas Chinese has transformed into channels of capital investment. These investments, in turn, have placed South China as Asia's fastest growing area.

**HIST 7520 Chinese Culture in Transformation (3,3,0)**

Prerequisite: Postgraduate student standing

This course will begin with an introduction of various changes that Chinese culture has undergone since the early 20th century. It will then deal with the political, economic and social aspects of Chinese culture in the previous century. The contents are designed in a thematic manner, and certain aspects deemed fit and useful will be emphasized accordingly.

**HIST 7530 Graduate Seminar on Contemporary Chinese History (3,3,0) (P)**

Prerequisite: Postgraduate student standing

This subject covers mainly three advanced study areas, namely contemporary Chinese historical scholarship, themes in contemporary Chinese history and Sino-foreign relations. Seminars on individual topics could be offered by rotation or concurrently, subject to the need of students.

**HIST 7540 Contemporary Chinese Political Thought (3,2,1) (P)**

This course examines the historical origins and development of major schools of political thought in modern and contemporary China, paying special attention to the period since 1949. The Chinese response to the introduction of Marxism-Leninism, and the role played by Mao Zedong in "sinicizing" various aspects of Marxist-Leninist ideology will be dealt with thoroughly. Students will be required to read the original works of major political thinkers. If possible, other important political ideologies, such as liberalism, socialism and democratic thinking, will also be addressed.

**HIST 7550 History of Taiwan (3,2,1) (P)**

This course examines the political, diplomatic, economic, social and cultural development of Taiwan. Discussions will include historical factors which have played crucial roles in Taiwan's transformation, as well as issues related to its current changes.

**HIST 7570 China and Asia since 1900 (3,2,1) (C)**

The course will provide an in-depth study of the relations between China and other Asian countries, with an emphasis on Japan, Korea, Vietnam and India since 1900. Special attention is given to China's influence on Asian nationalist and communist movements, Sino-Japanese and Sino-Korea relations, and China's role in East Asia, South Asia and Southeast Asia.

**HRM 7030 Human Resources Planning and Staffing (3,3,0)**

The major purpose of this course is to provide students with (1) an appreciation of the major theoretical perspectives relating to strategic human resources management, (2) an understanding of HRM strategies and environmental factors affecting these