

HIST 3640 Social and Economic Development of Modern China (3,2,1)

Prerequisite: HIST 1121-2 History of Chinese Culture and Society or HIST 2210 Introduction to Modern Chinese History

The course investigates the relations between economic growth and socio-political changes in China from the late 18th century to the mid-20th century. It examines the various social, economic, and political factors which stimulated, or retarded, China's economic growth, and studies the development of a new social basis which shaped the political form in modern China.

HIST 3650 Intellectual Trends in Modern China (3,2,1)

Prerequisite: HIST 1121-2 History of Chinese Culture and Society or HIST 2210 Introduction to Modern Chinese History

This course studies the intellectual history of modern China from the 19th century to the present, with special attention on the impact of Western thought and learning, nationalism, liberalism, conservatism, and socialism.

HIST 3660 Revolution and Nationalism in Republican China (1912-1949) (3,2,1)

Prerequisite: HIST 1121-2 History of Chinese Culture and Society or HIST 2210 Introduction to Modern Chinese History

An analysis of the cultural, socio-economic, political and ideological crisis in Republican China, its search for solutions and the development of the Chinese Nationalist and Communist parties. Discussions cover selected theories on revolution and nationalism, warlord politics, unification versus separatism, party theories and organizational control, and mass participation in the process of political transformation in China.

HIST 3670 Western Intellectual Thought (3,2,1)

Prerequisite: HIST 1131-2 History of Western Civilization
Western intellectual development is traced from classical Greece, through medieval scholasticism, and continues through the concepts of the Renaissance, the Enlightenment, the Romantic Movement, and Marxism down to post-World War Two, Existentialism, and what has been called "the exhaustion of ideals" of recent years. These "Western" concepts will be shown to have had a tremendous, and continuing impact on China, Asia and the world.

HIST 3680 China and Asia in the Twentieth Century (3,2,1)

Prerequisite: HIST 2150 Modern Asia (1800-1945) or HIST 2210 Introduction to Modern Chinese History

An in-depth study of the relations between China and other Asian countries, mainly Japan, Korea, Vietnam and India in the 20th century. Special attention is given to China's influence on Asian nationalist movements and communist movements, Sino-Japanese and Sino-Korean relations, and China's role in East and Southeast Asia.

HIST 3690 Twentieth Century United States Diplomacy (3,3,0)

Prerequisites: HIST 1131-2 History of Western Civilization (*required*), and HIST 2740 History of the United States to 1877 or HIST 2750 History of the United States since 1877 (*recommended*)

A course focusing on US diplomatic relations with the rest of the world in the 20th century. Beginning with the aftermath of the Spanish-American War and the Open Door Notes, students will delve into the events of American diplomacy to the present. Emphasis is on specific events and times and on the underlying base for that diplomacy as it changes over time. Enduring foundations of American diplomacy will be studied as well as the components which are more flexible and subject to alteration.

HIST 3710 Topic Studies in Western History (3,2,1)

Prerequisites: HIST 1131-2 History of Western Civilization and any others which the lecturer may designate as appropriate for the particular topic being offered

A study of selected themes and issues in Western history.

HIST 3720 Topic Studies in Sino/Asian-Western Relations (3,2,1)

Prerequisites: HIST 2110 China and the West since 1500 and any others which the lecturer may designate as appropriate for the particular topic being offered

An in-depth study of selected themes and issues in Sino-Western or Asian-Western Relations.

HIST 3730 Topic Studies in Chinese History (3,2,1)

Prerequisites: HIST 1121-2 History of Chinese Culture and Society or HIST 2210 Introduction to Modern Chinese History, and any others which the lecturer may designate as appropriate for the particular topic being offered

An in-depth study of selected themes and issues in Chinese history.

HIST 3740 Topic Studies in Asian History (3,2,1)

Prerequisites: HIST 2150 Modern Asia or HIST 2210 Introduction to Modern Chinese History, and any others which the lecturer may designate as appropriate for the particular topic being offered

An in-depth study of selected themes and issues in Asian history.

HIST 3750 Current Issues in Hong Kong and China (3,2,1)

Prerequisites: HIST 2160 Twentieth Century Hong Kong History, HIST 2210 Introduction to Modern Chinese History or HIST 3810 History of Modern China, and any others which the lecturer may designate as appropriate for the particular topic being offered

This course is intentionally designed to be highly flexible to allow discussion and analysis of current issues which are affecting Hong Kong and mainland China. Such an approach will emphasize not only a review of the events themselves, but also will require the student to evaluate the events in the light of the historical background, the world situation, and their impact on Hong Kong society.

HIST 3760 International Relations to 1945 (3,2,1)

Prerequisite: HIST 1131-2 History of Western Civilization

This course examines the development of the current international scene in terms of recent historical events and theories concerning the conduct of international politics. The historical origins of diplomacy, international theories, the development of twentieth century diplomacy and the origins of international organizations are all examined. Finally, current events are analysed and related to their historical, theoretical and structural origins.

HIST 3770 International Relations after 1945 (3,2,1)

Prerequisite: HIST 1131-2 History of Western Civilization

This course analyses the current international scene in terms of recent historical events and contemporary political theories concerning the conduct of international politics. The origins of international organizations (such as the United Nations, NATO and OPEC) and changing international structures are examined. Finally, current events are analysed and related to their historical, theoretical and structural origins.

HIST 3780 Sino-Russian Relations (3,2,1)

Prerequisite: HIST 1121-2 History of Chinese Culture and Society, HIST 2210 Introduction to Modern Chinese History or HIST 2220 Foreign Relations of Modern China

The course studies the changing relations between Russia/Soviet and China. Although it touches on the historical issues relating to the early contacts between these two countries, the course deals

mainly with the period from the early 19th century to the 1980s. It emphasizes the historical, geopolitical, ideological, socio-cultural, ethnic and economic factors which have shaped both the evolution of the two complex states themselves, and their interactions at the state-to-state, regional and global levels.

HIST 3790 Sino-American Relations (3,2,1)

Prerequisite: HIST 1121-2 History of Chinese Culture and Society, HIST 2210 Introduction to Modern Chinese History or HIST 2220 Foreign Relations of Modern China

This course studies selected major issues in the political, economic and cultural interactions between China and the United States since the late 18th century. Special emphasis will be placed on the unique origin, nature and importance of China's relations with United States in contrast with those of other Western powers. Discussion will also focus on selected issues considered to have affected their interaction, including some which may still continue to do so.

HIST 3810 History of Modern China (3,2,1)

Prerequisite: HIST 1121-2 History of Chinese Culture and Society

This course is designed to study the major changes in the political, economic, social and cultural aspect of China in the period 1840-1949. Special emphasis is placed on issues such as problems of modernization, the Western impact, and the Chinese response.

HIST 3820 Contemporary China (3,2,1)

Prerequisite: HIST 1121-2 History of Chinese Culture and Society or HIST 2210 Introduction to Modern Chinese History

The course begins with an analysis of the rise of Communism in China before 1949 and examines the development of the personal cult within the Chinese Communist Party's leadership. It then follows with a survey of the social, economic and political transformation in China under Communism with emphasis on the interplay between ideology and policy in contemporary Chinese historical development. The course also examines the major developments which affected China's foreign policy since 1949.

HIST 3830 Oral History and Its Local Applications (3,3,0)

Prerequisites: HIST 2120 Historical Theory and Practice and HIST 2160 Twentieth Century Hong Kong History

Following the guidelines and standards adopted by the Oral History Association, the first part of the course tackles the basic concepts related to oral history. The second half focuses more on applications in the context of studying Hong Kong's past. In addition to lectures, fieldwork is required.

HIST 3840 Modern Japan and the West (3,2,1)

A study of diplomatic, economic and cultural relations between Japan and the West since the Meiji Period (1868-1912). Special attention is given to such crucial issues as the significance of the Iwakura Mission to the West, the influence of Western political ideologies and institutions on the making of the Meiji Constitution, the revision of unequal treaties, and the confrontation between Western and Japanese cultural traditions. This course is open to History majors only.

HIST 3860 Origins of Western Imperialism (3,2,1)

Prerequisite: HIST 1131-2 History of Western Civilization or, with consent of the Head of Department, Year II standing in China Studies or History majors

The beginnings of Western imperialism will be examined from the first voyages of the Vikings, through the explosion of the Crusades and the domination of the world's trade and exploration by the northern Italian city-states. The course continues to analyse the "Age of Exploration", especially the early overseas empires of Spain and Portugal and concludes with the early British, French and Dutch expansion down to the American Revolution and the "readjustments" of the Napoleonic wars.

HIST 3870 Overseas Chinese in Southeast Asia (3,2,1)

Prerequisite: HIST 1121-2 History of Chinese Culture and Society or HIST 2210 Introduction to Modern Chinese History

Chinese who go abroad, settle down and make a living there are called the overseas Chinese. The overseas development of Chinese goes back to ancient times as far as the Yin and Zhou Dynasties, and they mainly emigrated to the Nanyang countries (today's Southeast Asia). This course analyses the historical backgrounds of Chinese emigration to Nanyang countries in different dynasties, their situations, and their history of development there. This course also covers the state of development of overseas Chinese in the circles of economy, culture and education, and politics in those countries.

HIST 3880 Japan in the Twentieth Century (3,2,1)

This course aims to study the political, social, and economic development of modern and contemporary Japan with an emphasis on the following topics: the process of modernization in the late Meiji period; the problems of party rivalry and political change in the Taisho period; the rise of militarism between the two world wars and the Japanese invasion of Asia; the post-war constitutional reform, economic recovery, and cultural change; and the role of Japan in the current international scene. This course is open to History majors only, or to be taken as Supporting Course.

HIST 3890 Nineteenth Century European History (3,2,1)

Prerequisite: HIST 1131-2 History of Western Civilization (for BA History) or Year II standing in European Studies

The 19th century was a crucial age of evolution and change for Europe and, largely because of European developments and actions, the world; moreover, it was fundamental to the creation of the world's present state of affairs. The emphasis of this course is on the revolutionary transformation of Europe—political, social, strategic and economic—from the period from the French Revolution to the outbreak of the First World War. This emphasis leads to a close study of developing nationalism and nation building, liberalism (plus the evolution of other significant political ideologies), industrialism and the distinct and world-shaping 19th century version of European imperialism.

HIST 3900 Twentieth Century European History (3,2,1)

Prerequisite: HIST 1131-2 History of Western Civilization (for BA History) or Year II standing in European Studies

For Europe the 20th century has been a tumultuous era of power, change, crisis, extremism, suffering and decline. In 1914 Europe was at the zenith of its power, but the two world wars, the Great Depression, the Holocaust, de-colonization and the Cold War all combined to reduce Europe to a status it had not experienced since the early Middle Ages. Since the 1960s there has been a modest recovery and recently Europe has haltingly moved towards a more united structure. This course addresses these themes, brings European developments to a contemporary historical focus and closely considers the impact of European developments on the world. This world view is necessary because while 20th century Europe no longer directs world events, it remains a major focus.

HIST 3910 Topic Studies in Social History (3,2,1)

Prerequisite: HIST 1121-2 History of Chinese Culture and Society, HIST 1620 Perspectives on Chinese History, HIST 2210 Introduction to Modern Chinese History, or any others which the lecturer may designate as appropriate for the particular topic being offered

This course provides an opportunity for students to study and discuss selected topics of an advanced nature, with a view to introducing them to what is happening at the frontiers of the study of social history.