History 340R and ANS 340R- European Empires in Asia

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Textbooks

Required:

Barbara Metcalf & Thomas Metcalf, *A Concise History of India* (2nd edn.)
D.R. Sardesai, *Southeast Asia: Past & Present* (6th edn.)
Daniel Headrick, *Tools of Empire*
Thomas Metcalf, *Ideologies of the Raj*
Bernard Porter, *The Lion's Share* (4th edn.)
Thomson, Stanley, and Perry, *Sentimental Imperialists* (on Blackboard)

One of the following:

Rudyard Kipling, *Kim*
E.M. Forster, *A Passage to India*
George Orwell, *Burmese Days*
J.G. Farrell, *Siege of Krishnapur*

One of the following:

Multatuli (Edward Douwes Dekker), *Max Havelaar*
Pramoedya Ananta Toer, *This Earth of Mankind*
Y.B. Magunvijaya, *Durga! Umayi*
Graham Greene, *The Quiet American*

Outline Maps of South Asia (India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka) and Southeast Asia (Indonesia) for the map assignments will be distributed with the map assignment sheets.

History 340R covers the great age of European empires in the 19th and 20th centuries, when European powers established their rule over much of the rest of the world. We will look at British rule in India and Malaya, Dutch rule in Indonesia, French rule in Indochina, and American rule in the Philippines and involvement in Vietnam. We will also look at relations between Europeans and local peoples in terms of cultural contact, economic exploitation, and political domination, and the results of such relationships for both the Europeans and the Asians they ruled. The results, as we shall see, were far-reaching and are still with us today. We will also look at the 20th-century process of decolonization, as the old reasons for imperial domination lost their force, and as new national identities emerged in Asia.

Requirements for the course include the assigned readings, 2 map assignments, 2 book reports, a mid-term exam, and a final take-home essay. For specific directions concerning book reports and map assignments, see separate sheets. Some readings will be Blackboard (BB). I welcome and appreciate questions in class. If you prefer, you may ask questions after class that I can address at the beginning of the next class. I enjoy meeting my students personally and urge you to visit my office at least once during the semester. My office is Garrison 3.118. Office hours: MW 1:30-3:00, or F 1:30-3 by appointment; or at other times by appointment. Phone: 475-7214, or email:

gminault@mail.utexas.edu The TA for the course is Laurie Wood. Her email is: lauriemewood@gmail.com – Her office is: Burdine 304. Office hours: M 2:00-5:00.

Grading will be on the basis of the system of pluses and minuses. The final grade will be computed on the basis of 25% for each written assignment, i.e.: 50% for the papers and 50% for the exams, with some allowance for improvement. Map assignments are OK'd, not graded. They count against you if they are not done.

Summary of due dates:

Feb. 1 - First Map Assignment
Feb. 13 - Second Map Assignment
March 2 - Hour Exam (No Makeups)
March 23 - First Book Report
April 20 - Second Book Report
Final Exam: Take-home essay will be handed out on the last day of class, May 4, and it will be due on Monday, May 14, 2:00-5:00 PM, the date and hour of the regularly scheduled exam for this class hour.

Please note that assignments handed in late will be penalized (see paper assignment sheet for details). I accept medical excuses, but only if you notify me of them by the due date of the assignment. For exams, I expect you to be here except in cases of dire emergency (medical usually). I you have to miss an exam for any reason, you must notify me in advance. For students with disabilities: Please request appropriate academic accommodation from the Division of Diversity, Services for Students with Disabilities, 471-6259. Do so early in the semester, so that appropriate measures can be taken before major assignments are due.

Reading Assignments

Jan. 18 - Introduction to the Course

Jan. 20 - Background: The Age of Exploration
Read: Metcalf & Metcalf, *Concise History of India* [M&M], pp. 1-27.
Porter, *Lion's Share*, pp. 1-12.

Jan. 23 - Background: The Age of Trade
Read: M&M, pp. 28-49.
Metcalf, *Ideologies*, pp. 1-6.

I. 19th Century Empires in South and Southeast Asia: The British, the Dutch and the French

Jan. 25 - Anglo-French Rivalry and Territorial Conquest in India
Read: M&M, pp. 49-67.
Metcalf, *Ideologies*, pp. 6-15.

Jan. 27 - Orientalism and Romanticism: The Adventure of Empire
Read: M&M, pp. 67-80.
Metcalf, *Ideologies*, pp. 15-27.

Jan. 30 - Utilitarianism and Evangelicalism: The Justification of Empire
Read: M&M, pp. 80-90.
Metcalf, *Ideologies*, pp. 28-43.

Feb. 1 - The Industrial Revolution: The Nuts and Bolts of Empire
Read: Headrick, *Tools*, pp. 3-42.
First Map Assignment Due - see separate sheet

Feb. 3 - The Opium Trade as a Pillar of Empire
Read: Porter, *Lion's Share*, pp. 13-38.
Headrick, pp. 43-57; [Recommended: pp. 58-79].
Thomson, et al, *Sentimental Imperialists*, pp. 31-43 (BB).

Feb. 6-8-10-13 - European Rivalries in Southeast Asia (4 lectures)
Read: Porter, pp. 67-75.
Sardesai, *Southeast Asia*, pp. 54-65, 73-75, 79-100, 114-20, 122, 129-30.
Second Map Assignment Due Feb. 13 - see separate sheet

Feb. 15 - The Indian Mutiny of 1857
Read: M&M, pp. 91-122.
Headrick, pp. 83-104; [recommended: pp. 105-26].
Metcalf, *Ideologies*, pp. 43-65.

Feb. 17 - The Aftermath of Revolt: British Policy in India in the late 19th century
Read: M&M, pp. 123-37.
Porter, pp. 39-57.
Metcalf, *Ideologies*, pp. 66-92.

Feb. 20 - The Tools of Empire
Read: Porter, pp. 81-100, 116-22.
Headrick, pp. 129-91, 204-10, [rec: 192-203].

Feb. 22 - The White Man's Burden: The Psychology of Empire
Read: Porter, pp. 123-52.
Sentimental Imp'lists, pp. 4-30.
Metcalf, *Ideologies*, pp. 92-131 (for next 3 lectures).

Feb. 24 - The Civilizing Mission: The Pedagogy of Empire
Read: *Sent. Imp'lists*, pp. 44-60, 93-105 (BB).

Feb. 27 - Victorian Liberalism and Reform: The Conscience of Empire
Read: M&M, pp. 137-64.

Porter, pp. 153-65, 182-204, 209-16.

Feb. 29 - Review

Mar. 2 - **Hour Exam** (No Makeups - you must be here for this)

II. 20th Century Empires: Perplexity, Disillusionment, and Dissolution

March 5-7 - Nationalism and the Changing Social Order in India (2 lectures)
Read: M&M, pp. 165-99.
Porter, pp. 222-50.
Metcalf, *Ideologies,* pp. 132-71.

March 9 – Film: Gandhi Biography

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March 19-21-23 & 26 – Indian Nationalism (cont.): India Wins Freedom and Partition (4 lectures)
Read: M&M, pp. 200-226.
Porter, pp. 251-57, 290-305.
Metcalf, *Ideologies*, pp. 171-234.
Note: March 23 - First Book Report Due - see separate sheet

March 28 & April 2 - Declining Imperial Order in SE Asia (2 lectures)
Read: Sardesai, pp. 131-59.
Porter, pp. 305-25.
Sent. Imp'lists, pp. 106-20 (BB).

March 30 - Film: Nehru Dynasty I

April 4-6, & 9 - Early Nationalism in SE Asia (3 lectures)
Read: Sardesai, pp. 170-86.
Sent. Implists, pp. 121-33, 148-75 (BB).

April 11 & 16 - Aftermath of War and the Winning of Independence in SE Asia (2 lectures)
Read: Porter, pp. 326-50.
Sardesai, pp. 255-82; 283-309.
Sent. Implists, pp. 190-202 (BB).

April 13 - Film: Nehru Dynasty II
Read: M&M, pp. 227-59.

April 18, 23-25 - Dilemmas of the Post-Imperial Age in Independent Asian Nations (3 lectures)

Read: M&M, pp. 260-end.
Sardesai, pp. 187-216, 314-28.
Sent. Imp'lists, pp. 217-34, 253-67 (BB).

April 20 - Film: "In Our Image: The US and the Philippines"
Second Book Report Due - see separate sheet

April 27-30, May 2 - The New Imperialism? US Policy in S and SE Asia (3 lectures)
Read: Sardesai, pp. 329-76.
Sent. Implists, pp. 268-75, 306-11 (BB).
Porter, pp. 351-70.

May 4 - Final Discussion and Review
Take-home exam will be handed out, so be sure to be here.
The exam is due on Monday, May 14, 2:00-5:00 PM, which is the date and time of the regularly scheduled exam for this class time, **NO LATER**. You may, of course, hand it in earlier, either to my office or to the History Dept. office, Garrison 1.104.