

HIGR 231A-B: Research Seminar in Modern European History

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Seminar: Wed. 11-1:50

The goal of this seminar is the writing of a research paper based on primary sources, and the identification of a potential dissertation topic. The model and the standard for the seminar papers is a monographic article that makes a scholarly contribution to the field. In the first quarter we shall read and research intensively; by the end of the quarter each of you is expected to have developed a prospectus for a research paper. The seminar also concentrates on project design, research methods, using bibliographic tools, crafting a prospectus, compiling a literature review, reading critically primary sources, and developing writing skills. The selection of the paper topic requires special care to insure that the paper can be completed within the two quarters. In the second quarter, students write their papers and present them to the seminar. I have selected the broad topic of "Imperial Encounters" as a unifying theme for our common historiographical reading.

Books to be purchased:

Steven Howe, Empire: A very Short Introduction (New York: Oxford University Press, 2002).

Robert J.C.Young, Postcolonialism (New York: Oxford University Press, 2003).

Angela Wollacott, Gender and Empire (New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2006).

All of the articles and book chapters are available on-line via the e-journals or Ebrary systems of the Geisel Library.

There is a dedicated website for the course. <http://sites.google.com/site/higr231/>

September 30: Introduction

October 7: The 60s -80s: "New Imperial History"

Steven Howe, Empire: A very Short Introduction (New York: Oxford University Press, 2002).

Wolfe, Patrick. "Imperialism and History: A Century of Theory, from Marx to Postmodern," American Historical Review 102, no. 2 (1997), 388-420.

Michael Adas, "High imperialism and the 'new' history." Washington, D.C.: American Historical Association, 1993. Not available via Geisel but on the course website

October 14: Orientalism & Occidentalism

Edward Said, "Introduction to Orientalism," in Postcolonialisms: An Anthology of Cultural Theory and Criticism, Gaurav Gajanan Desai, Supriya Nair. eds., (Oxford: Berg, 2005), 71-94. http://books.google.com/books?id=9MSBQcsVwvUC&pg=PR3&dq=said+orientalism&lr=&source=gbs_selected_pages&cad=5#v=onepage&q=said%20orientalism&f=false

Edward Said, "Orientalism Once More," Development and Change 35, no. 5 (2000): 869-879.

Nadia Abu El-Ha, "Edward Said and the political present," American Ethnologist 32, no. 4 (2008): 538-555.

U. Makdisi, "Ottoman Orientalism," American Historical Review (2002): 768-796.

James G. Carrier, "Occidentalism: the world turned upside-down," American Ethnologist (1992): 195-212.

October 21: Subaltern Studies

Ranaji Guha, "Subaltern Studies: Projects for Our Time and their Convergence," in Latin American Subaltern Studies Reader, edited by Ileana Rodriguez. (Durham: Duke University Press, 2001, 35-46). Ebrary- Geisel.

Gyan Prakash, "Subaltern Studies as Postcolonial Criticism," American Historical Review 99, no. 5 (1994), 1475-90.

K. Sivaramakrishnan., "Situating the Subaltern: History and Anthropology in the Subaltern Studies Project," Journal of Historical Sociology 8, no. 4 (1995), 395-429.

October 28: Post-colonialism

Robert J.C.Young, Postcolonialism (New York: Oxford University Press, 2003).

Ali Rattansi, "Postcolonialism and its discontents," Economy and Society 26, no. 4 (1997): 480-500.

November 4: Encounters

Katherine E. Fleming, "Orientalism, the Balkans, and Balkan historiography," American Historical Review (2000): 1218-1233.

Adamovsky, Ezequiel, "Euro-Orientalism and the Making of the Concept of Eastern Europe in France, 1810-1880," The Journal of Modern History 77, no. 3 (2005): 591-628.

Matthew Burrows, "'Mission Civilisatrice': French Cultural Policy in the Middle East, 1860-1914," The Historical Journal 29, no. 01 (2009): 109-135.

D. Mishkova, "In Quest of Balkan Occidentalism," CAS Sofia Working Paper Series, no. 1 (2007): 1.

November 11: No Class- Veterans' day

November 18: The "Imperial Turn" & the Traditionalists Fight Back

Kathleen Wilson, "Histories, Empires, Modernities," in A new imperial history: culture, identity, and modernity in Britain and the Empire, 1660-1840 edited by Kathleen Wilson. (New York: Cambridge Univ Press, 2004). Ebrary- Geisel Library.

Antoinette Burton, "Introduction: On the inadequacy and the indispensability of the nation," in After the imperial turn: thinking with and through the nation, edited by Antoinette Burton. (Durham: Duke University Press, 2003). Ebrary- Geisel Library.

Keith Robbins, "The 'British Space': World-Empire-Continent-Nation-Region- Locality: A Historiographical Problem," History Compass 7, no. 1 (2009): 66-94.

James Thompson, "Modern Britain and the New Imperial History," History Compass 5, no. 2 (2007): 455-46.

November 25: Gender, Identity & Law

Angela Wollacott, Gender and Empire (New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2006).

B. D. Naranch, "'Colonized Body,' 'Oriental Machine': Debating Race, Railroads, and the Politics of Reconstruction in Germany and East Africa, 1906-1910," Central European History 33, no. 03 (2008): 299-338.

Simon J. Potter, "Empire, Cultures and Identities in Nineteenth-and Twentieth-Century Britain," History Compass 5, no. 1 (2007): 51-71.

Duncanson, I, 'Writing in the Postcolonial: Postcolonial Legal Scholarship', Law, Social Justice & Global Development Journal (LGD) 2003 (1), <<http://elj.warwick.ac.uk/global/03-1/duncanson.html>>. New citation as at

1/1/04: <http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/law/elj/lgd/2003_1/duncanson/>

December 2: Presentation of Prospectuses.

Methodology/assignments	
September 30: Introduction	November 4: Primary sources-- what are using?
October 7: Research resources; Library visit; Writing a Prospectus	November 11: No Class
October 14: Note-taking; Paper topic and Key Questions	November 18: Doing on outline
October 21: Doing a Literature Review.	November 25: Bibliography- second draft
October 28: Bibliography- first draft.	December 2: Present Prospectus

Resources to assist you:

Patrick Rael, Reading, Writing, and Researching for History: A Guide for College Students (Bowdoin College, 2005). <http://academic.bowdoin.edu/WritingGuides/>

Diana Hacker, Researching and Documenting History Research (New York: Bedford/ St. Martin's, 2006). Explain how to find materials and how to use the Chicago citation system. <http://www.dianahacker.com/resdoc/history.html>

The Chicago Manual of Style.

Liena Vayzman, "Practical Advice for Writing Your Dissertation, Book, or Article," AHA Perspectives, December, 2006. <http://www.historians.org/perspectives/issues/2006/0612/0612gra1.cfm>

AHA, From concept to completion: a dissertation-writing guide for history students (Washington DC: AHA, 2009). Copies of this can be ordered from the AHA through TWG.

Bryan Greetham, How to Write Your Undergraduate Dissertation (New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2009).

I.W. Mabbett, Writing History Essays (New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2007).

Gina Wisker, The Postgraduate Research handbook (New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2008).

Patrick Dunleavy, Authoring a PhD (New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2003).

Rita S. Baruse, Writing Your Doctoral Dissertation (New York: Routledge, 2003).

G. David Garson, Guide To Writing Empirical Papers, Theses, And Dissertations (New York: Marcel Dekker, 2002).

Kate L. Turabian, A Manual For Writers Of Research Papers, Theses, And Dissertations : Chicago Style For Students And Researchers (Chicago : University of Chicago Press, 2007).

Bibliography and note-taking programs to assist you:

[RefWorks](#). Available free through Geisel Library. The Scott website offers a number of other excellent facilities as well.

[Endnote](#) by Thompson Research Software is an excellent bibliography program offered with a discount for students. Also available in web version via [Geisel Library](#).

[Scribe](#): A Note-taking Tool for Historians. This a free note-taking designed for historians by historians. The Center for History and New Media. George mason University.

[Zotero](#). This a very good web-based bibliography program . designed for historians by historians. The Center for History and New Media. George mason University.

[Zoho](#). This is a very powerful and free integrated office suite. In addition to a word processor, spreadsheet, etc. it also includes email, chat, notebooks, and a great deal. I strongly encourage you to open a Zoho account.