



**Four Years Programme under CHOICE BASED  
CREDIT SYSTEM for  
B. A. Honours with Research in History  
(Total Credit: 194)**

Effective from 2023-2024 Academic Session

Curriculum and Syllabus

Department of History  
Presidency University  
Kolkata



## Credit Allocation and Marks Distributions for Various Types of Courses Offered by the Department of History from the First Semester to the Eight Semester

Year	Sem.	Course Type	Theory (T)/ Sessional (S)	Course Credits	Evaluation Patterns			Course Code with Titles
					Full Marks	IA (Mid-Term)	End-Sem. Exam	
1	I	Major	T	6 (5+1)	50	10	40	<b>HIST101C01:</b> History of India I (Pre-History - 300 BCE)
			T	6 (5+1)	50	10	40	<b>HIST102C02:</b> Social Formations and Cultural Patterns of the Ancient World
		AECC	T	4	50/100	-	-	<b>103AECC01:</b> English Communication /MIL
		MC	T	6 (5+1)	50	10	40	<b>HIST104MC01:</b> Understanding Early South Asian Cultures
		MDC	T	3	50	15	35	<b>HIST105MDC01:</b> Ecology and Environment in South Asian History
	<b>SEMESTER-I (Total Credits: 25, Total Marks: 250/300)</b>							
	II	Major	T	6 (5+1)	50	10	40	<b>HIST151C03:</b> History of India II (300BCE-750 CE)
			T	6 (5+1)	50	10	40	<b>HIST152C04:</b> Social Formations and Cultural Patterns of the Medieval World
		AECC	T	4	50/100	-	-	<b>153AECC02:</b> English Communication /MIL
		MC	T	6 (5+1)	50	10	40	<b>HIST154MC02:</b> The Twentieth Century World
MDC		T	3	50	15	35	<b>HIST155MDC02:</b> Everyday Life in History	
		T	3	50	15	35	<b>HIST156MDC03:</b> Women in Indian Society	
<b>SEMESTER-II (Total Credits: 28, Total Marks: 300/350)</b>								
2	III	Major	T	6 (5+1)	50	10	40	<b>HIST201C05:</b> History of India III (c.750-1206)
			T	6 (5+1)	50	10	40	<b>HIST202C06:</b> Rise of the Modern West I
		Major/ SEC (Choose Any One)	T	4	50	15	35	<b>HIST203SEC01A:</b> Understanding Heritage
			T			15	35	<b>HIST203SEC01B:</b> Archives & Museums
		VAC	T	3	50/100	-	-	<b>ENVS204VAC01::</b> Environmental Science
		MC	T	6 (5+1)	50	10	40	<b>HIST205MC03:</b> Early Modern South Asian Cultures
	<b>SEMESTER-III (Total Credits:25, Total Marks: 250/300)</b>							
	IV	Major	T	6 (5+1)	50	10	40	<b>HIST251C07:</b> History of India IV (1206-1550)
			T	6 (5+1)	50	10	40	<b>HIST252C08:</b> Rise of the Modern West II
		Major/ SEC (Choose Any One)	T	5	50	15	35	<b>HIST253SEC02A:</b> Indian Art & Architecture
T			15			35	<b>HIST253SEC02B:</b> Understanding Popular Culture	
VAC		T	3	50	15	35	<b>HIST254VAC02:</b> Language: Introductory Persian or Sanskrit	
MC		T	6 (5+1)	50	10	40	<b>HIST255MC04:</b> South Asian Cultures in the Age of Nationalism	



SEMESTER-IV (Total Credits: 26, Total Marks: 250)								
3	V	Major	T	6 (5+1)	50	10	40	<b>HIST301C09:</b> History of India V (c 1550-1605)
			T	6 (5+1)	50	10	40	<b>HIST302C10:</b> History of India VI (1605-1750)
			T	6 (5+1)	50	10	40	<b>HIST303C11:</b> History of India VII (1750-1857)
	SI	Sessional	4	50	-	-	<b>HIST341SI01:</b> Summer Internship	
SEMESTER-V (Total Credits: 22, Total Marks: 200)								
3	VI	Major	T	6 (5+1)	50	10	40	<b>HIST351C12:</b> History of India VIII (1857-1950)
			T	6 (5+1)	50	10	40	<b>HIST352C13:</b> History of Modern Europe (c.1780-1945)
			T	6 (5+1)	50	10	40	<b>HIST353C14:</b> The Jews: A Global History, from the Earliest times to the Present
		T	6 (5+1)	50	10	40	<b>HIST354C15:</b> Research Methodology: Approaches to the Practice of History	
SEMESTER-VI (Total Credits: 24, Total Marks: 200)								
4	VII	Major	T	4	50	15	35	<b>HIST401C16A:</b> Sources of Early Indian History 'OR' <b>HIST401C16B:</b> Connected Empires: Mughals, Safavids and Ottomans 'OR' <b>HIST401C16C:</b> Reading Interfaith Relations in World History
			T	4	50	15	35	<b>HIST402C17A:</b> Political Process and Structure of Politics in Ancient India 'OR' <b>HIST402C17B:</b> Historiography and Forms of Historical Writing in Medieval India 'OR' <b>HIST402C17C:</b> Visualising Power: Art and Politics in India, ca1500-1947
			T	4	50	15	35	<b>HIST403C18A:</b> Early Indian Social Orders: Structures and Process 'OR' <b>HIST403C18B:</b> Economy in Medieval India 'OR' <b>HIST403C18C:</b> History of Indian Ocean: Politics, Trade and Culture
			Sessional	4	50	-	-	<b>HIST441C19:</b> Dissertation Part I
			MC	T	4	50	15	35
	SEMESTER-VII (Total Credits: 20, Total Marks: 250)							
VIII	Major	T	4	50	15	35	<b>HIST451C20A:</b> Development of Early Indian Religions and Philosophies 'OR' <b>HIST451C20B:</b> Medieval Archaeology 'OR' <b>HIST451C20C:</b> Crime, Law and Society in Colonial India	
		T	4	50	15	35	<b>HIST452C21A:</b> Ancient Societies 'OR' <b>HIST452C21B:</b> State, Society and culture in the Central Islamicate Lands, 6 <sup>th</sup> to 16 <sup>th</sup> Centuries 'OR' <b>HIST452C21C:</b> Culture and Society in Early Modern South Asia	
		T	4	50	15	35	<b>HIST453C22A:</b> Women in Early Indian Society 'OR'	



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								<b>HIST453C22B:</b> Scientific and Medical Traditions: 7 <sup>th</sup> to 18 <sup>th</sup> Centuries <b>'OR'</b> <b>HIST453C22C:</b> A History of 'Small' Communities of Foreign Origin in Colonial India
		Sessional	8	50	-	-		<b>HIST491C23:</b> Dissertation Part II
	MC	T	4	50	15	35		<b>HIST455MC06:</b> Research and Publication Ethics
<b>SEMESTER-VIII (Total Credits: 24, Total Marks: 300)</b>								

**Total Credits required for the 8-Semester BA (Hons.) Programme in History = 194 Credits 'OR' 2000/2150 Marks**

**Acronyms:**

**AECC:** Ability Enhancement Compulsory Courses

**SEC:** Skill Enhancement Courses

**VAC:** Value Added Course

**MC:** Minor Course

**MDC:** Multi-Disciplinary Course

**SI:** Summer Internship

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**Detailed Syllabus**

**(Semester-I)**

Max. Marks	: 50
Internal Assessment	: 10
End-Sem Exam	: 40
<b>Credits</b>	<b>: 06</b>

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**HIST101C01 HISTORY OF INDIA I (PRE-HISTORY – 300BCE)**

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**Unit 1: Reconstructing Ancient Indian History**

The Indian subcontinent: landscapes and environments; Sources and Tools of Historical Reconstruction: Classification and importance of the literary and archaeological sources (stone tools, ceramics, coins, epigraphy etc.) for the historical reconstruction; Early Indian notions of history

**Unit 2: Prehistoric hunter-gatherers and advent of food production**

Palaeolithic cultures: sites, sequences, materials, stone industries and other technological developments; The Mesolithic cultures: regional and chronological distribution, new developments in technology and economy; Problem of the Beginning of Food Production in India and the Evidence from Mehrgarh; regional and chronological distribution of the Neolithic and Chalcolithic cultures; subsistence; patterns of interaction and exchange.

**Unit 3: The Harappan civilization**

Origin, settlement patterns and town planning; agrarian base; craft production and trade; social and political organization; religious beliefs and practices; art; the problem of urban decline and Late Harappan Phase and Legacy of the Harappan Civilization; **Neolithic-Chalcolithic Cultures outside the Harappan Orbit:** Terminology, Distribution and Features; Beginning of Rice Cultivation in the Central Ganga Plain and Other Issues.

**Unit 4: Changing Political Formations**

Vedic Corpus, Spread of settlements, Polity, Economy and Society, the So-Called Aryan Problem; Transition from chiefdom to kingdom; The *Ganasangha* tradition, Emergence of the Sixteen *Mahajanapadas* (Based on the Evidence of Buddhist, Jaina and Later Vedic Literatures), Debates Pertaining to the so-called ‘Second Urbanization’; the Rise of Magadha; **Mauryan Empire:** Asokan Inscriptions; Kautilya’s Arthashastra, Megasthenes’ Account (Indica); Major Archaeological Sites and Assemblages Pertaining to the Mauryan Period; Nature and Structure of the Mauryan Empire; Asoka’s Dhamma; Decline of the Mauryan Empire; Art and Architecture.

**Unit 5: Philosophical and Religious Developments**

Vedic religion- changing notion of gods and goddesses; sacrificial practices; the Puranic tradition, Rise of new religious groups and philosophical thoughts (the Emergence of Mahayana Buddhism, the Digambara-Svetambara Concept in Jainism, the worship of the Yaksas, Yaksis, Nagas, Nagis; Emergence of Vaisnava Doctrine, the Concept of Sakti, philosophy of the Ajivikas and Charvakas).

**Unit 6: Cultures in transition**

Economic developments: Agrarian and Non-Agrarian economy, categories of merchants and their networks, crafts, guilds; Technological developments: Broad characteristics and identification of Dynastic/*Janapada* coins: Punch-marked, cast copper coins.

**Essential Readings:**

- Agrawal, D.P. 1982. *The Archaeology of India*, London.  
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 Allchin, B. and F.R. Allchin 1968. *The Birth of Indian Civilization*, Harmondsworth.  
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- Pal, Pratapaditya (ed.) 2002. *Indian Terracotta Sculpture: The Early Period*, Mumbai.
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- Shastri, K.A. Nilkantha 1955/1975. *A History of South India from Prehistoric Times to the Fall of Vijayanagar*, 4<sup>th</sup> edition, Madras.
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### Suggested Readings:

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Max. Marks	: 50
Internal Assessment	: 10
End-Sem Exam	: 40
<b>Credits</b>	<b>: 06</b>

<b>HIST102C02</b>	<b>SOCIAL FORMATIONS &amp; CULTURAL PATTERNS OF THE ANCIENT WORLD</b>
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### Unit 1: Evolution of Humankind

Palaeolithic and Mesolithic cultures; Beginning of Agriculture and animal husbandry.

### Unit 2: Neolithic and Bronze Age Civilization

Concept of social formation; Origin of Complex Societies; What is a Civilization? Bronze Age; Urban Revolution and State.

### Unit 3: Mesopotamian Civilization

Assyrians and Sumerians; Salt and silt in Ancient Mesopotamian Agriculture; the Indus and Eastern Asia; Trade Mechanisms in Indus-Mesopotamian Interrelations; The First Cities (3500 – 2000 BCE): Hassuna, Samara, Halaf, and Ubaid; the Uruk period; the Early Dynastic Period; the Akkadian Empire; Imperial Ur; Cities in Syria, Anatolia and Susiana; Economy, Social stratification, State Structure and Religion.

### Unit 4: Egyptian Civilization

Ancient Egypt and 'Black Africa' – Early Contacts; Pre-dynastic Egypt, the Archaic Period, the Old Kingdom, the Middle Kingdom, the New Kingdom, Amarna and Akhenaten, Decline of Egypt; Economy, Social stratification, State Structure and Religion.

### Unit 5: Chinese Civilization

Early Cultivations in the North (Yangshao and Cishan) and the South (Hemudu and Pengdoushan); Liangzhu jades; Neolithic Manchuria; the Longshan Phase, Three Dynasties: Xia, Shang, Zhou; the First Chinese Empire, the Han Empire; Economy, Social Stratification, State Structure and Religion.

### Unit 6: The First Aegean Civilization

The Aegean Early Bronze Age (3200 – 2100 BCE), Minoan Civilization (2100 – 1450 BCE), Crete and Its Neighbours; Mycenaean Greece (1600 – 1050 BCE); Economy, Social stratification, State Structure and Religion.

### Unit 6: Ancient Greece: Slavery, Slave society, Agrarian economy, Urbanization, Trade and Politics.

Polis in ancient Greece: Origin, features, nature, class composition; Athens and Sparta; decline of the Polis. Greek culture and Religion: Sophists, Socrates, Games, Drama, Art and Architecture, Greek Gods, Notion of Hellenism

### Essential Readings:

- Aldred, Cyril 1984. *The Egyptians*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, London and New York.
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- Begley, V. and R. D. De Puma (eds.) 1992. *Rome and India: The Ancient Sea Trade*, Delhi.
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- Rowlands, Michael, Mogens Larsen and Kristian Kristiansen (eds.) 1987. *Centre and Periphery in Ancient World*, Cambridge.
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- Service, Elman R. 1975. *Origins of the State and Civilization*, New York.
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- Pfeiffer, John E. 1977. *The Emergence of Society*, New York.
- Randsborg, Klaus 1991. *The First Millennium A.D. in Europe and the Mediterranean*, Cambridge.
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- Redford, Donald B. 1984. *Akhenaten: The Heretic King*, Princeton, NJ.
- Rundleclark, R. T. 1959. *Myth and Symbol in Ancient Egypt*, London and New York.
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- Ucko, P.J., R. Tringham and G. W. Dimbleby eds. 1972. *Man, Settlement and Urbanism*, London.
- Wace, Alan 1949. *Mycenae: An Archaeological History and Guide*, Princeton, NJ.
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**Courses to be developed/ offered centrally**

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**HIST104MC01 UNDERSTANDING EARLY SOUTH ASIAN CULTURES**

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**Unit 1: Religious Traditions**

Tradition overrides almost every aspect of life in India. Religious traditions and cultural norms and political functioning are intertwined in such a manner that it is difficult to disentangle them. So it is only natural that any serious attempt to understand the early Indian society and polity should entail a study of its religious traditions. That is what this module is dedicated to doing. It promises to provide a comprehensive understanding of the genesis of the major religious traditions of early India and how they continue to impact our contemporary society.

**Sub-themes:** Genesis of Hinduism; Rise of Buddhism and Jainism; Development of Saivism, Vaishnavism, Bhagavatism.

**Unit 2: Hinduism**

The Use and Abuse of Early South Asian Cultural and Political History

In this section we will begin with an overview of the chronological structure of the dynastic history of ancient India from later Vedic times to the fall of the Gupta Empire. We will consider the influence of geographical factors, regional shifts and other social issues. Then we will examine in some aspects of ancient Indian society and politics, which remain relevant even at present owing to their role in the identity formation of the Indian people.

**Sub-themes:** The Aryan Debate; Understanding sovereignties and regional political-cultural traditions; Evolution of caste system; Re-visiting the 'myth' of the Gupta 'golden age'.

**Unit 3: Narrative Traditions**

This unit will introduce the students to a variety of oral and literary narrative texts and traditions, and highlight the complex interconnection between oral, literary, religious, poetic, historical and imaginative narrative traditions. It will include new modalities and analytic perspectives on readings and re-inocations of epic threads (the *Ramayana* and the *Mahabharata*), and consider how these impact, and have relevance for understanding specific strands of contemporary Indian cultures, politics and everyday life.

**Unit 4: Heritage and History**

Flows, Continuities and Contemporary Relevance

This unit will explore avenues for understanding the ways in which tangible heritages in the form of monuments and objects, as well as intangible heritages of the mind travel (have travelled) across time and space. This theme is analysed with a view to seeing how heritage is selectively appropriated, memorialised, used, legitimised and valorised in tandem with shifting political and cultural matrices and patterns of quotidian life. It will also focus on 'cultural artefacts', as well as representations in art forms (paintings) which are an integral part of understanding the dynamics of historical heritages, objects, and sacred-secular architectural creations. A cultural artefact is any artifact or item that sheds light on the way a particular [historical] society lived, thought or otherwise expressed itself. The unit will focus on (1) genealogies of cultural artifacts, including the political, social and cultural milieu in which they came to be crafted; (2) intersections between the sacred and the secular reflected in such artifacts; and (3) their legacies for contemporary India.

**Sub-themes:** Sculpture: Mauryas, Sungas, the Gandhara and Mathura schools; Early Indian Temples: Historical evolution, types and accomplishment under the Guptas; Art in Ancient India: Sacred and Secular Portrayals; Buddhist art and architecture

**Essential Readings:**

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Anne Eriksen, *From Antiquities to Heritage: Transformations of Cultural Memory* (Berghahn Books: 2016)

Bimal Matilal, "Krishna: In Defence of a Devious Divinity" in *The Collected Essays of B K Matilal: Ethics and Epics*, (ed.) Jonardan Ganeri (Delhi, 2002), pp. 91-108

Burnouf, Eugene, *Introduction to the History of Indian Buddhism* (University of Chicago Press, 2015)



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- Cort, John E., *Open Boundaries: Jain Communities and Cultures in Indian History* (SUNY Series in Hindu Studies) (State University of New York Press, 1998)
- D. Lowenthal, *The Past is a Foreign Country* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1985)
- D.N. Jha, *Ancient India in Historical Outline* (Delhi: Manohar, 2000)
- David Shulman, "Poets and Patrons in Tamil Literary Legend" in *The Wisdom of the Poets: Studies in Tamil Telegu and Sanskrit*, (Delhi, 2001), 63-102.
- E. B. Havell, *Indian Architecture* (London, 1913) Chapter 1
- Ekta Singh, *Caste System in India: A Historical Perspective* (Kalpaz Publications, 2005)
- G. D. Sontheimer, "Hinduism: The Five Components and Their Interactions", in G. D. Sontheimer and H. Kulke eds., *Hinduism Reconsidered* (Delhi, Manohar, 2001), pp. 305-324
- Gavin Flood, *An Introduction to Hinduism* (Cambridge University Press, 2004)
- George Michell, *The New Cambridge History of India, I:6- Architecture and Art of Southern India* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2008)
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- James R Fitzgerald, "Mahabharata", in Sushil Mittal et al, *The Hindu World* (London: Routledge, 2014), 52-75
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- Julius Lipner, *Hindus: Their Religious Beliefs and Practices* (Library of Religious Beliefs and Practices) (Routledge, London and New York, 2010)
- K. Ramanujan, "Three Hundred Ramayanas: Five Examinationples and Three thoughts on Translation" In Paula Richman ed., *Many Ramayanas: The Diversity of a Narrative Tradition in South Asia*, (Delhi, 1992), 22-49.
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- Percy Brown, *Indian Architecture (Buddhist and Hindu Periods)*, D. B. Taraporevals Sons & Co. Private Ltd., Bombay, 1959. Chapters 8, 9 13, 19 and 21
- Peter Harvey, "The Symbolism of the Early Stūpa", *Journal of the International Association of Buddhist Studies*, Volume: 7 (2), 67-94 (1984)
- Pramod Chandra, *Studies in Indian Temple Architecture* (American Institute of Indian Studies, New Delhi, 1975)
- R.C.Majumdar (ed.), *The Vedic Age* (Bombay: Bharatiya Vidyabhavan, 1996)
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- Stella Kramrisch, *The Hindu Temples* (University of Calcutta, Calcutta, 1946)
- Susan L. Huntington, *The Art of Ancient India* (Weatherhill, 1985)
- Thomas Trautmann, *Aryans and British India* (Delhi: Oxford University Press, India, 2005)
- Upinder Singh, *A History of Ancient and Early Medieval India* (New Delhi: Pearson, 2007)
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- Vinay Lal, *The History of History* (Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2003)

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- A.K. Ramanujan, *Hymns for the Drowning* (Delhi, Penguin, 1993), pp. 4-6, 22-27, 54-57.
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- David N. Lorenz, "Who Invented Hinduism?" *Comparative Studies in Society and History*, 1999, pp. 630-59.
- Dundas, Paul, *The Jains*, Second Edition (Routledge, 2002)
- Flugel, Peter, *Studies in Jaina History and Culture: Disputes and Dialogues*, First Edition, (Routledge, 2006)
- Iravati Karve, *Yuganta: The End of an Epoch* (Hyderabad, Disha Books, 1974)
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**HIST105MDC01 ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT IN SOUTH ASIAN HISTORY**

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**Unit 1: Ecology, Climate Change, History: Early India**

An outline of early Indian ecology; multiple modes of livelihood; ecological equilibrium and the narrative of loss; climate change and deforestation in civilization decline and/or advancement;

**Unit 2: Nature, People, Animal and the State in ancient and medieval times**

Agrarian kingdoms and forest-dwellers, social perception and political relations; animals and political power; control of the commons, resources and hierarchies of claims

**Unit 3: Nature, people, animal and the State power Colonial Times**

Colonialism as ecological watershed; forest, science and colonial state; sedenterisation and pastoral nomadism; irrigation projects, big dams and hydrological change;

**Unit 4: Environmental Consciousness and Resistance Movements in India**

Development and its discontents; political democracy and new social movements; tribals, peasants, woman and environmental movements; urban environmentalism

**Unit 5: Environmentalisms in India and beyond**

Specificities of Indian environmentalism; Environmentalism of the poor; Struggle for livelihood, rights, rehabilitation, justice

**Essential Readings:**

Aloka Parashar-Sen, "Of Tribes, Hunters and Barbarians: Forest Dwellers in the Mauryan Period" *Studies in History*, 14 (1998): 173-92.

Ashis Nandy, "Dams and dissent: India's first modern environmental activist and his critique of the DVC project", *Futures* 33, 2001: 709-31.

Awadhendra Sharan, "In the City, Out of Place Environment and Modernity, Delhi 1860s to 1960s", *EPW*, Vol. 41, Issue No. 47, 25 Nov, 2006, pp. 4905-4911.

Bina Agarwal, "Environment and Poverty Interlinks: Regional Variations and Temporal Shifts in Rural India, 1971-1991" reproduced in *India's Environmental History II*, 451-516

Chetan Singh, "Forest, Pastoralists and Agrarian Society in Mughal India" in *Nature, Culture, Imperialism: Essays on Environmental History of South Asia*, eds. David Arnold and Ramchandra Guha (Delhi: OUP, 1995) 21-48

Divyabhanusinh, "Lions, Cheetah and Others in Mughal Landscape", *Shifting Grounds: People, Animals and Mobility in India's Environmental History*, 88-108.

Elizabeth Whitecomb, "The Environmental Costs of Irrigation in British India" in *Nature, Culture, Imperialism*, 237-59 OR Indu Agnihotri, "Ecology, Land and Colonisation: The Canal Colonies of Punjab" in Mahesh Rangarajan and K. Sivaramakrishnan eds. *India's Environmental History I: From Ancient Times to the Colonial Period* (Delhi: Permanent Black, 2012)

Kathleen D. Morrison, "Conceiving the Ecology and Stopping the Clock: Narrative of Balance Loss and Degradation" in *Shifting Grounds: People, Animals and Mobility in India's Environmental History* eds. Mahesh Rangarajan and K. Sivaramakrishnan (Delhi: OUP, 2014), 39-64.

Madhav Gadgil and Ramchandra Guha, "Ecological Conflict and Environmental Movement in India" *Development and Change*, Vol. 25 (1994): 101-36.

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- Mahesh Rangarajan, "The Raj and the Natural World: The Campaign Against 'Dangerous Beasts' Colonial India", *Studies In History*, 14, 2 (1998): 167-99; reproduced in *India's Environmental History II: Colonialism, Modernity and the Nation*, eds. Mahesh Rangarajan and K. Sivaramakrishnan, 95-142
- MakhanLal, "Iron tools, Forest Clearance, and Urbanisation in Gangetic Plains", *Man and Environment*, 10 (1986): 83-90.
- Mayank Kumar, "Situating the Environment: Settlement, Irrigation and Agriculture in Pre-colonial Rajasthan", *Studies in History*, 24, 2, (2008): 211–233
- Michael Mann, *Themes in Indian History* (London: Routledge, 2014) Chapter 4 on Forestry and Silviculture.
- MLK Murty, "Sheep/Goat Pastoral Cultures in the Southern Deccan: The Narrative as a Metaphor" in Mahesh Rangarajan and K. Sivaramakrishnaneds. *India's Environmental History I: From Ancient Times to the Colonial Period* (Delhi: Permanent Black, 2012)
- Neeladri Bhattacharya, "Pastoralist in a Colonial World" In *Nature, Culture, Imperialism*, 49-85
- Ramchandra Guha, *Environmentalism: A Global History* (Delhi: OUP, 2000): Chapter 1 and 2.
- RamchandraGuha, "Chipko: Social History of an 'Environmental' Movement" in *Unquiet Woods* (Ranikhet: Permanent Black, 2010). 152-185
- RamchandraGuha, "State Forestry and Social Conflict in British and Post-British India: A Study in the Ecological Bases of Agrarian Protest" *Past and Present*
- Ravi S. Rajan, "Classical environmentalism and environmental human rights: an exploration of their ontological origins and differences", *Journal of Human Rights and the Environment*, Vol. 2 No. 1, March 2011, pp. 106–121
- Rohan D'Souza, "Colonialism, Capitalism and Nature: Debating the Origins of Mahanadi Delta's Hydraulic Crisis (1803-1928)", *Economic and Political Weekly*, 37 (3), 2002: 1261-1272.
- Rohan D'Souza, "Damning the Mahanadi River: The Emergence of Multi-Purpose River Valley Development in India (1943-46)", *Environmental Values*, 11 (2002): 369-94; reproduced in *India's Environmental History II*, 550-83
- S. Ravi Rajan, "Disaster, Development and Governance: Reflections on the Lessons from Bhopal" *Environmental Values*, 11 (2002): 369-94; reproduced in *India's Environmental History II*, 584-614.
- Sumit Guha, "Claims on the Commons: Political Power and Natural Resources in Precolonial India" reproduced in *India's Environmental History I*, 327-350
- Sumit Sarkar, *Modern Times* (Delhi: Permanent Black, 2014): Chapter on Environment and economy.
- V. N. Mishra, "Climate, a factor in the Rise and Fall of the Indus Civilization", in *Decline and Fall of Indus Civilization*, ed. NayanjotLahiri (Delhi: Permanent Black, 2002) 239-250

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- Madhav Gadgil and Ramchandra Guha, *This Fissured Land: An Ecological History of India*, Delhi, OUP, 1992.
- Mahesh Rangarajan and K. Sivaramakrishnaneds. *India's Environmental History I: From Ancient Times to the Colonial Period* (Delhi: Permanent Black, 2012)
- Mahesh Rangarajan and K. Sivaramakrishnaneds. *India's Environmental History II: Colonialism, Modernity and the Nation* (Delhi: Permanent Black, 2012)
- Sumit Guha, *Environment and Ethnicity in India 1200-1991*(Cambridge: CUP, 1999)

**Four Years Programme under CHOICE BASED  
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**Detailed Syllabus**

**(Semester-II)**

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<b>HIST151C03</b>	<b>HISTORY OF INDIA II (300BCE-750CE)</b>
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**Unit 1: Political History of the Subcontinent during c. 300BCE-300CE**

Political situation (North India and South India) - Nature of Polity Kushana and Satavahana. Archaeological Evidences and settlement patterns; State and Society; History of the other dynasties including the Sungas, the Indo-Greeks, the Saka-Pahlavas or Scytho-Parthians, Ksatrapas, Cheras, the Cholas, the Pandyas etc.

**Unit 2: Emergence of the Gupta Empire**

Dynastic history of the Guptas; the nature of the polities of the Gupta empire and its contemporaries including the Vaktakas of the Deccan, other dynasties of the Peninsular India; A brief overview of the administrative structure of the Gupta and Vakataka Kingdoms; Regional polities of the post-Gupta phase- the Pallavas, Chalukyas, and Vardhanas; Notion of Classical age and threshold times.

**Unit 3: Economy and Society**

**Agrarian Expansion:** Land Grants, changing production relations, revenue resources of the States, land ownership, types of lands, graded land rights and peasantry; **Urban growth:** Patterns of trade, currency, and urban settlements, craft production, traders and trading networks, Guilds; **Social formations:** *Varna-Jati* (Caste systems), changing norms of marriage and inheritance.

**Unit 4: Religion, philosophy and society**

Consolidation of the Brahmanical tradition: Dharma, Purusharthas, Samskaras; The evolution of Vaisnava doctrine, Saivism, the cult of the Great Goddesses, Buddhism, Jainism, the beginning of Tantricism.

**Unit 5: Cultural developments**

A brief survey of the Sanskrit, Pali, Prakrit and Tamil literatures, Scientific and technical treatise; Broad survey of Stylistic development of art and Architecture and forms of Patronage: Early Brahmanical Temples; Buddhist *stupas*, Monasteries and Relief Sculptures; Early Indian Narrative Art; The Canonical Classification of the Temple Architecture: Nagara, Dravida and Vesara and other regional specifications.

**Unit 6: Epigraphy and Numismatics**

Study of some significant Inscriptions from North and South India of the Post-Mauryan period: Hathigumpha Inscription of Kharavela, Besnagar Inscription of Heliiodorus, Junagarh Inscription of Rudradaman I, Nasik Cave Inscription of Gautamiputra Satakarni, Allahabad Pillar Inscription of Samudragupta, Aihole Inscription of Pulakesin II, Banskhera Inscription of Harshavardhana etc.; A brief over view of the coins of the Indo-Greek, Saka, Satavahana, Kusana etc; Coins of the Gupta and post- Gupta periods in North and South India.

**Essential Readings:**

- Altekar, A.S. 1957. *Coinage of the Gupta Empire*, Varanasi.
- Asher, F.M. 1980. *The Art of Eastern India, 300-800*, Minneapolis.
- Bakker, Hans 1997. *The Vakatakas: A Study in Hindu Iconology*, Groningen
- Banerjea, J. N. 1956/ 1975. *The Development of Hindu Iconography*, 2<sup>nd</sup> revised edition, New Delhi.
- Chakrabarti, Dilip K. 2006. *The Oxford Companion to Indian Archaeology: The Archaeological Foundations of Ancient India, Stone Age to AD 13<sup>th</sup> Century*, Delhi.
- Chakrabarti, Dilip K. and Makkhan Lal (eds.) 2014. *Political History and Administration (c. 200 BC – AD 750)*, Volume 4; *Political History and Administration (c. AD 750 - 1300)*, Volume 5: New Delhi.
- Chakravarti, Ranabir (ed.). 2001. *Trade in Early India*, Delhi.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2013. *Exploring Early India Up to c. AD 1300*, New Delhi.
- Champakalakshmi, R. 1996. *Trade, Ideology and Urbanization: South India 300 BC to AD 1300*, Delhi.
- Chanana, D. R. 1960. *Slavery in Ancient India*, New Delhi.

- Chattopadhyaya, B. D. 1960. *Aspects of Rural Settlements and Rural Society in Early Medieval India*, Calcutta.
- \_\_\_\_\_. 1977. *Coins and Currency Systems in South India, c. AD 225-1300*, Delhi.
- \_\_\_\_\_. 1994. *In Making of Early Medieval India*, Delhi.
- Chhabra, B.C. and G.S. Gai 1981. *Corpus Inscriptionum Indicarum, Vol. III, Inscriptions of the Early Gupta Kings*, Delhi.
- Dani, A.H. 1986/1997 [reprint]. *Indian Epigraphy*, New Delhi.
- Ghoshal, U.N. 1930. *The Agrarian System in Ancient India*, Calcutta.
- Gupta, Chitrarekha 1996. *The Kayasthas: A Study in the Formation and Early History of the Caste*, Calcutta.
- Gupta Dipankar (ed.) 1992. *Social Stratification*, Delhi.
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Max. Marks	: 50
Internal Assessment	: 10
End-Sem Exam	: 40
<b>Credits</b>	<b>: 06</b>

**HIST152C04 | SOCIAL FORMATIONS AND CULTURAL PATTERNS OF THE MEDIEVAL WORLD**

**Unit 1: The Roman World, from Republic to Principate:** Origins of Rome: Monarchy to Republic; Patricians and Plebeians; Gender, Class, and the Construction of Social Relations and Values; Wars of Conquest, Political Economy, and Imperial Expansion; Slavery; Civil Wars; From Republic to Principate; Agrarian Economy, Trade, and Urbanization; Interactions between the Roman Mediterranean, Northern Europe, and the Indian Ocean World

**Unit 2: Religion, Culture, and Intellectual Worlds of Ancient Rome:** Roman Religious Worlds and Interactions with ‘Foreign’ Religions; Origins and Transformations of Roman Law; Popular Culture; Republican Norms and Values; Legitimation of Emperors; Roman Philosophy, Literature, and Historiography; Notions of Ethnicity in the Roman World; Art and Architecture; The Reception of Ancient Rome in Early Modern and Modern Europe, North America, and India

**Unit 3: The Roman Empire: Crises and Transformation:** Late Antiquity and the Historiography of ‘Decline’; Imperial Power and Fragmentation; Challenge of the Peripheries; The Rise of Christianity and the Church; ‘Barbarian’ Invasions; The ‘Fall’ of the Western Roman Empire; The Emergence of the Byzantine World; The Reception of Rome in the ‘Germanic’ kingdoms

**Unit 4: Socio-Economic Developments in Europe: Seventh to Fourteenth Centuries:** ‘Medievality’ and the Historiography of Periodization; Economic Crises in Early Medieval Europe; Agrarianization and De-Urbanization?; Serfdom, Peasantry, and Modes of Production; Feudalism and its Historiography; Gendering the Middle Ages; Diversity in Political Trajectories; Revival of Trade and Urban Growth from the High Middle Ages; Guilds, Towns, Artisans, and Burghers; Consolidation of Centralised States and Growth of Monarchic Power in England and France; Growth of Representative Institutions; Differences between Western and Eastern Europe?; Imperial Expansion: Crusades, Reconquista, and Beyond. Transition in the Feudal Economy. Growth of Trade and Towns and the Feudal Crisis.

**Unit 5: Medieval Europe: Religion, Culture, Political Thought:** Political Theology and Christian Legitimation of Kingship; Monarchization, State Formation, and Christianization in Northern and Eastern Europe; ‘The King’s Two Bodies’ and the Emergence of the Idea of the State; Emperors and Popes; Christian Europe and its Others: Jews, Muslims, and ‘Heretics’; ‘Transcultural’ Zones: The Iberian Peninsula and the Mediterranean; Discourses about Participatory and Representative Governance: Varied Trajectories in Western European kingdoms and the Italian city-states; Law and Legal Philosophy; Twelfth-Century Renaissance; Scholasticism and the Impact of Islamicate Cultures in Europe; Art, Architecture, and Music; Emergence of Vernacular Literary Cultures; Codes of Chivalry; Women and Cultural Production; Subaltern Cultures in Medieval Europe; From the Middle Ages to the Renaissance; The Reception of the Middle Ages in the Modern World

**Unit 6: Society, Polity, and Culture in the Medieval Islamicate World:** The Emergence of Islam; Varied Genealogies of Islamicate Cultures; ‘Tribe’, Ummah, and State; Caliphate and Sultanates; Islamic Law; Political and Philosophical Thought; Sufi Cultures; Trade and Urbanization; Ethnicity, Class, and Gender; Art and Literature

**Essential Readings:**

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Max. Marks	: 50
Internal Assessment	: 10
End-Sem Exam	: 40
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**HIST154MC02 THE TWENTIETH CENTURY WORLD**

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**Unit 1: Empire and Culture:** Ideologies of Empire, including Orientalism; Colonial Power, Culture, and Governmentality; Decolonization and its Discontents; Introductions to Subaltern Studies and Postcolonial Studies

**Unit 2: Technology and Communication:** Technology and Imperial Infrastructure; Global Histories of Technology and Communication; Infrastructures of Governance and the Making of Twentieth-Century States

**Unit 3: Environmental Ideas:** Colonialism and Global Environmental Change; Indigenous Populations and the Imperialism of Modernity; The Birth of Modern Environmentalism; Debating the Anthropocene and the Capitalocene

**Unit 4: Major Political Events :** Pan-Asianism, Pan-Islamism, and Arab Modernism: Transregional Orientation of Twentieth-Century Ideologies; Japan and the Ottoman Empire as exemplars and laboratories of change; Pan-Asianism and Pan-Islamism; The Muslim World as a Globalized Concept; First World War; Second World War; Cold War

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Internal Assessment	: 15
End-Sem Exam	: 35
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<b>HIST155MDC02</b>	<b>EVERYDAY LIFE IN HISTORY</b>
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**Unit 1: Introduction:** Definition, significance and historiography, of everyday life in history

**Unit 2: Food, drinks and culinary cultures**

Consumption and fashioning of the self; commensality and exclusion; domesticity and labour and the aesthetics of culinary skills

**Unit 3: Clothing and sartorial culture**

Clothing politics; redesigning hierarchy; (un)covering exclusion; fashion and fashioning of the communitarian self; flagging identity

**Unit 4: Game and sports**

Cricketing nationalism and its discontents; contesting bio-politics of colonialism; sporting masculinity

**Unit 5: Art and entertainment**

Pleasure and popular literature; understanding sacred, profane and political in oral cultures; visual culture and popular religiosity

**Unit 6: Everyday technology**

Technology, modernity and social hierarchy; social life of technology; social anxiety and techno-modernity

**Essential Readings:**

- A. K. Ramanujan, "Who Needs Folklore", *Manushi*, 1988.
- A. R. Venkatchalapathy, 'In Those Days There was No Coffee': *Coffee Drinking and Middle Class Culture in Colonial Tamilnadu* (Delhi: Yoda Press, 2006) Chapter 1.
- Ajay Gandhi, "Delicious Delhi: nostalgia, consumption and the old city" *Identities*, April 2015.
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- Brian Stoddart, "Sport, Colonialism and Struggle: C.L.R. James and Cricket" in Richard Giulianotti ed., *Sport and Modern Social Theorists* (New York: Palgrave Macmillan) 111-129
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- Films- *Lagaan* (Hindi film on Cricket and anti-colonial nationalism), *Egaro* (Bengali film on Football and anti-colonial nationalism), *Chak de India*, *Dangal* (Hindi Film on sports, gender and nationalism)
- Francesca Orsini, *Print and Pleasure: Popular Literature and Entertaining Fictions in Colonial North India* (Delhi: Permanent Black, 2009): Chapter 1, 2, 3.
- Gautam Bhadra, *From an Imperial Product to a National Drink: The Culture of Tea Consumption in Modern India* (Calcutta: CSSS, 2005)
- Gopal Guru, "Food as a Metaphor of Cultural Hierarchies" CASI Working Paper Series No. 09-01, October 2009.
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- K. N. Panikkar, "The Great Shoes Question: Tradition, Legitimacy and Power in Colonial India", *Studies in History*, 14 (1) 1998: 21-36.
- Kajri Jain, Producing the Sacred: The Subjects of Calendar Art", *Journal of Arts and Ideas*, 1997.
- Kausik Bandyopadhyay, 'The nation and its fragments': football and community in India
- M. Madhav Prasad, *Ideology of the Hindi Film: A Historical Construction* (Delhi: OUP, 1998)
- Paul Dimeo, "Football and Politics in Bengal: Colonialism, Nationalism, Communalism" *Soccer and Society*, 9(3), 2008: 377-393.
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- R. L. Hardgrove Jr., "Breast Cloth Controversy: Caste Consciousness and Social Change in Southern Travancore", *IESHR* 1965: 171- 187
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- Sigfried Giedion, *Mechanisation Takes Command* (New York: OUP, 1948)
- Special Issue of *Contribution to Indian Sociology* 36 (1&2), 2003: Essays by Partha Mitter, Patricia Uberoi, Christopher Pinny and Phillip Lutgendorf (Hanuman).
- Srirupa Prasad, "Crisis, Identity, and Social Distinction: Cultural Politics of Food, Taste, and Consumption in Late Colonial Bengal", *Journal of Historical Sociology*, 19(3) 2006: 245-265
- Sudarshan, "Cycle ki Sawari" (Hindi short story), Audio available on archive.org
- Utsa Ray, *Culinary Culture in Colonial India: A Cosmopolitan Platter and the Middle-Class* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2015)
- Ved Prakash Vatuk, Amir Khusro and Indian Riddle Tradition, *The Journal of American Folklore*, 82 (324) 1969: 142-154.
- Video advertisement of 'Dalit Food' and interview with Chandrabhan Prasad ([www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com))

Max. Marks	: 50
Internal Assessment	: 15
End-Sem Exam	: 35
<b>Credits</b>	<b>: 03</b>

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**HIST156MDC03 | WOMEN IN INDIAN SOCIETY**

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**Unit 1: Theories of Feminism; Historiography & Sources**

Meaning and Definition, Characteristics, features and Development; Feminist Thought in Indian Context; Understanding women's issue through different historiographical discourses, i.e., colonial, Nationalist, Marxist and recent trends; the intersection of gender with class, caste, generation, as also its spatial and cultural context; literary and inscriptional sources

**Unit 2: Women in Ancient Religious Traditions & Household and Sexuality**

Brahmanical, Buddhist, Jain, Tantric and Bhakti; Women ascetics; Socio-religious movements and women in Virashaiva and Srivaishnava Communities; Marriage, family and households; women and property - the idea of *stridhana*, women as 'property'; in public sphere: as rulers, patrons and livelihood earners

**Unit 3: Women in Medieval Indian Society**

Women in Different Genres of Sources: Texts, Travel Accounts and Paintings; Evolution of the Notions of Masculinity; Norms of Manliness; Aristocratic Civility and Comportment; Body and Emotions; Love, Eros and Devotion in Mystic Thought

**Unit 4: Women and Politics & Patriarchy and Gender Relations**

The 'Domestic' Domain; Agency of Imperial Women and their Participation in Sovereignty and Authority; Razia Sultan and Political Authority; Rudrama Devi- the Female King of Warangal, Rani Durgavati of Gondwana and Chand Bibi of Ahmadnagar; Akbar's Transformation of the Harem into the Ahl-i-Bait; The Role of Eunuchs; Mughal Women's Negotiations for Political Space [Maham Anaga, Hamida Bano, Gulbadan Begum, Nur Jahan, Mumtaz Mahal, Jahan Ara, Roshan Ara, Dilras Bano, Zebunissa, the courtesan Lal Kumwar]

Family Lineage, Marriage and Kinship Network; Marriage Customs and Women's Subordination; Customary Laws and Nature of Intervention in Domestic Matters in regional contexts; Child Marriages, Ascetic Widowhood and Dharma Shahstras; Rajput Societies – Female Infanticide; Dowry; Polygamy; Ghunghat; Jauhar; Sati; Islamic Societies and the Shari'ah: Meher, Purda and Zanah; Lower Castes and Tribal Societies: Bride-Price Marriages; Legitimacy of Divorce and Remarriage; Widow Remarriage and Customary Laws

**Unit 5: Women's Question in the Socio-Religious Reform**

Position of Women in Pre-colonial India; Indian Thinkers and Women Issues -Raja Ram Mohan Roy, Swami Dayanand, Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar, B.R. Ambedkar; Legislations on Women Issues- Anti Sati Act (1829); Hindu Widow Remarriage Act (1856) and the Age of Consent Act (1891)

**Women in Indian National Movements:** Women and Gandhian movements; Women's participation in Congress; Role of women in the Indian Freedom Struggle; Women's rights in Karachi congress resolution, 1931

**Unit 6: Women and Colonial State**

Indian Women from Tradition to Modernity- Continuity and Change; The emergence of unheard voices- Tarabai Shinde, Cornelia Sorabji, Sarala Devi Chaudhurani and Rokeya Sakhawat Hossain; Women in Ecology and Environment

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<b>HIST201C05</b>	<b>HISTORY OF INDIA III (c. 750 -1206)</b>
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### Unit 1: Studying Early Medieval India

Definition and notion of Early Medieval, Historical geographical Sources: texts, epigraphic and numismatic data; Political, social and economic processes, with specific references to regions and wider debates in historiography, including but restricted to Indian feudalism, the rise of the Rajputs, trade and commerce, and the nature of the state; Early medieval South Asia and transregional and/ or global networks.

### Unit 2: Political Structures

Evolution of political structures: Rashtrakutas, Palas, Pratiharas, Rajputs, Chalukyas, Cheras, Cholas, Pandyas & Pallavas, Gaura-Kanyakubja struggle; Legitimization of kingship; Brahmanas and temples; royal genealogies; Arab conquest of Sindh: nature and impact of the new set-up; Ismaili *dawah*; Causes and consequences of early Turkish invasions: Mahmud of Ghazna; Shahab-ud-Din of Ghur

### Unit 3: Agrarian Structure and Social Change

Agricultural expansion; Interlocking of the Agrarian with the non-agrarian; crops; Landlords and peasants; Proliferation of castes; status of untouchables; Tribes as peasants and their place in the Varna order; categories of untouchables

### Unit 4: Trade and Commerce

Nature of Trade: Inter-regional trade, Maritime trade (Western and Eastern Indian Ocean); Coastal Trade Network; Forms of exchange; Process of urbanization in North and South India; Merchant guilds of South India

### Unit 5: Religious and Cultural Developments

Puranic traditions, Bhakti, Tantrism, Buddhism and Jainism; Popular religious cults; Islamic intellectual traditions: Al-Biruni; Al-Hujwiri; Regional languages and literature; Art and architecture: Evolution of regional styles

### Essential Readings:

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- Schwartzberg, Joseph E., *A Historical Atlas of South Asia*, OUP, New York and London, 1992.
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**HIST202C06 RISE OF THE MODERN WEST I**

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**Unit 1: Transition from Feudalism to Capitalism**

Introducing the early modern west; Feudal society and the crisis of feudalism; The Transition debate; Black Death & other epidemics; Rise of the mercantile classes; Development of industrial capitalism; The agricultural revolution; The enclosure movements; Rise of the absolutist states in Europe

**Unit 2: Science, Technology and Discovery**

The printing revolution; The gunpowder revolution; The Spanish and Portuguese voyages of explorations; The Copernican revolution; cosmology, alchemy and magic.

**Unit 3: Renaissance and Humanism**

The Rediscovery of the Classics; Civic Humanism, The Creation of Public Spaces; Humanism and Art, Architecture during the Renaissance; Education, Literature and Political Thought; The Northern Humanism

**Unit 4: The European Reformation**

Problem of authority in the Church; Luther, Zwingli & Calvin; The Radical Reformists: Anabaptists and the Huguenots; Fragmentation of Protestantism; Catholic Reformation; The Counter-Reformation; The English Reformation & the Church.

**Unit 5: Economic and Cultural Developments:** The price revolution; The commercial revolutions; Sixteenth century European economy; The emergence of capital; Scientific revolution and the origins of modern science; Newtonian sciences, empiricism and philosophy; Emergence of scientific societies; Origins of the European Enlightenment.

**Unit 6: Emergence of the European State System:** The Empire of Charles V; The Italian states; The Hapsburg-Valois struggle and the Hapsburg-Ottoman struggle; Early Modern Political Thought; John Locke and liberalism; Peace of Westphalia in 1648; Rise of the State-System in Spain, France, England and Russia.

**Essential Readings:**

- E. Cameron (Ed.) *Early Modern Europe: An Oxford History*
- F. Rice & E. Grafton, *The Foundations of Early Modern Europe.*
- M. E. Wiesner-Hanks, *Early Modern Europe, 1450-1789*
- T. S. Aston and C. H. E. Philpin (eds.), *The Brenner Debate*
- H. Butterfield, *The Origins of Modern Science*
- Carlo M. Cipolla, *Fontana Economic History of Europe, Vols. II and III.*
- Carlo M. Cipolla, *Before the Industrial Revolution, European Society and Economy. 1000 -1700.*
- D. C. Coleman (ed.), *Revisions in Mercantilism.*
- Ralph Davis, *The Rise of the Atlantic Economics.*
- Maurice Dobb, *Studies in the Development of Capitalism.*
- J. R. Hale, *Renaissance Europe.*
- R. Hall, *From Galileo to Newton.*
- Christopher Hill, *A Century of Revolutions.*
- Rodney Hilton, *Transition from Feudalism to Capitalism.*
- H. G. Koenigsberger and G. L. Mosse, *Europe in the Sixteenth Century.*
- Stephen J. Lee, *Aspects of European History 1494 - 1789.*
- G. Parker, *Europe in Crisis 1598- 1648.*
- G. Parker and L. M. Smith, *General Crisis of the Seventeenth Century.*
- J. H. Parry, *The Age of Reconnaissance.*
- V. Poliensiky, *War and Society in Europe 1618 - 1648.*

Theodore K. Rabb, *The Struggle for Stability in Early Modern Europe*.  
V. Scammell, *The 1st Imperial Age: European Overseas Expansion 1400 - 1715*.  
Jan de Vries, *Economy of Europe in an Age of Crisis 1600-1750*.  
John Henry, *The Scientific Revolution and the Origins of Modern Science*  
John Henry, *The Enlightenment World*  
Quentin Skinner, *Foundations of Modern Political Thought, Vol. 1: The Renaissance & Foundations of Modern Political Thought*.  
Quentin Skinner, *Foundations of Modern Political Thought, Vol. 2 The Age of Reformation*.  
Quentin Skinner, *From Humanism to Hobbs: Studies in Rhetoric and Politics*  
*The Cambridge Illustrated History of the Middle Ages*.

**Suggested Readings:**

M. S. Anderson, *Europe in the Eighteenth Century*.  
Perry Anderson, *Lineages of the Absolutist State*.  
Stuart Andrews, *Eighteenth Century Europe*.  
B. H. Slicher von Bath, *The Agrarian History of Western Europe. AD. 500 - 1850*.  
The Cambridge Economic History of Europe. Vol. I - VI.  
James B. Collins, *The State in Early Modern France: New Approaches to European History*.  
G. R. Elton, *Reformation Europe 1517-1559*.  
M. P. Gilmore, *The World of Humanism 1453 -1517*.  
Peter Kriedte, *Peasants, Landlords and Merchant Capitalists*.  
J. Lynch, *Spain under the Hapsburgs*.  
Peter Mathias, *First Industrial Revolution*.  
Harry Miskimin, *The Economy of Later Renaissance Europe: 1460-1600*.  
Charles A. Nauert, *Humanism and the Culture of the Renaissance*.  
L. W. Owie, *Seventeenth Century Europe*.  
D. H. Pennington, *Seventeenth Century Europe*.  
The New Cambridge Modern History of Europe, Vols. I -VII.

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**HIST203SEC01A UNDERSTANDING HERITAGE**

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**Unit 1: Defining Heritage**

a. Meaning of ‘antiquity’; b. Archaeological sites; c. Tangible heritage; d. Intangible heritage; e. Art treasure

**Unit 2: Evolution of Heritage Legislation and the Institutional Framework**

a. Conventions and Acts- national and International; b. Heritage-related government departments, museums, regulatory bodies; c. Conservation Initiatives

**Unit 3: Challenges facing Tangible and Intangible Heritage**

a. Development; b. Antiquity smuggling; c. Conflict

**Unit 4: Heritage and Travel**

a. Visiting a heritage site (field trip); b. The relationship between cultural heritage, landscape, and travel recent trends

**Essential Readings:**

Bhattacharya, H., *The Cultural Heritage of India*, Vol. IV, 1969.

Biswas, S. S., *Protecting the Cultural Heritage (National Legislation and International Conventions)*, INTACH, New Delhi, 1999.

Lahiri, N., *Marshalling the Past- Ancient India and its Modern Histories*, Permanent Black, Ranikhet, 2012. (Chapter 4 and 5)

Layton, R. P. Stone and J. Thomas, *Destruction and Conservation of Cultural Property*, Routledge, London, 2001.

Lowenthal, D., *Possessed By The Past: The Heritage Crusade and The Spoils of History*, Cambridge, 2010.

Singh, U., *The Idea of Ancient India: Essays on Religion, Politics and Archaeology*, Sage, New Delhi, 2016. (Chapters 7, 8).

**Suggested Readings:**

Acts, Charters and Conventions are available on the UNESCO and ASI websites ([www.unesco.org](http://www.unesco.org); [www.asi.nic.in](http://www.asi.nic.in))

Agrawal, O. P., *Essentials of Conservation and Museology*, Delhi, 2006.

Bhattacharya, Vivek Ranjan, *Wisdom of Cultural Heritage of India*, Metropolitan, New Delhi, 1989

Chainani, S., *Heritage and Environment*, Urban Design Research Institute, Mumbai, 2007.

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Kabir, Humayun, *The Indian Heritage*, Asia Publishing House, Bombay, 1955.

Levi-Strauss, Claude, *Myth and Meaning (Heritage)*, University of Toronto Press, 1978.

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**HIST203SEC01B ARCHIVES & MUSEUMS**

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**Unit 1: Definition and History of development (with special reference to India)**

(a) Archives: Early Manuscript Collections; Colonialism and Collections; National Project and the Archive; Cataloguing; Project Work: Learn the cataloguing system of your college library and compare with the catalogue of a major collection (see online catalogues of Ethe and Rieu); (b) Museums: The Colonial gaze; Artefacts; The post-colonial state and the museums; Project Work: National Museum and National Gallery of Modern Art

**Unit 2: Types of archives and museums**

(a) Understanding the traditions of preservation in India: collection policies, ethics and procedures; (b) Collection: field exploration, excavation, purchase, gift and bequests, loans and deposits, exchanges, treasure trove confiscation and others; (c) Documentation: accessioning, indexing, cataloguing, digital documentation and de-accessioning; d. Preservation: curatorial care, preventive conservation, chemical preservation and restoration

**Unit 3: Museum Presentation and Exhibition**

(a) Curating object; (b) Designing Display: interactive and immersive

**Unit 4: Museums, Archives and Society**

(a) Various Kolkata city museums; (b) Digital archives; (c) Visual archives; (d) Archiving the museums' (f) Writing colonial history via museums

**Essential Readings:**

- A Guide to the National Museum*, National Museum, Janpath, New Delhi, 1997.
- Aziz, Sana, 'The Colonisation of Knowledge and Politics of Preservation', *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol. 52, No. 16, 2017.
- Agrawal, O. P., *Essentials of Conservation and Restoration and Museology*, Delhi, 2006.
- Bhattacharya, Sabyasachi, *Archiving the Raj: History of Archival Policy of the Govt. of India with Selected Documents 1858-1947*, Oxford University press, Delhi, 2018.
- Carol Breckenridge, 'Aesthetics and Politics of Colonial Collecting India at World Fairs', *Comparative Studies in Society and History*, Vol. 31, No. 2, April 1989, pp. 195-216.
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- Guha, T. Tapati, *Monuments, Objects, Histories: Institution of Art in Colonial India*, New York, 2004.
- Kathpalia, Y. P., *Conservation and Restoration of Archive Material*, UNESCO, 1973.
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**HIST205MC03 | EARLY MODERN SOUTH ASIAN CULTURES**

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**Unit 1: Interpretations of Late Medieval and Early Modern Indian History**

(a) Late Medieval and Early Modern Indian History: An Overview; (b) Sources and Historiography; (c) Debates and Themes

**Unit 2: Narrative Cultures**

(a) Growth and Development of Language and Literature in Early Modern India; (b) Sanskrit Literary Traditions; Persian Literary Culture; Vernacular Languages; (c) Development of Hindi and Urdu Literary Culture

**Unit 3: Visual and Material Cultures**

(a) Architecture: Symbolism and Significance; (b) Fort-Palace Complexes; Temples, Mosques, Tombs and Gardens; (c) Painting: Mural and Miniature

**Unit 4: Syncretism and Beyond**

(a) Religious Interactions in Pre-Modern South Asia; (b) Intellectual and Cultural Exchange; (c) Conflict and Accommodation

**Unit 5: Religious Traditions: Sufism and Bhakti**

(a) Islamic Traditions in South Asia; Ulama and Sufis; Sunnis and Shi'is; (b) Sufi Ideas and Practices; Sufi Silsilahs; (c) Bhakti Movements in Medieval South Asia

**Recommended Readings:**

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- Allison Busch, and Thomas de Bruijn, (eds.), *Culture and Circulation: Literature in Motion in Early Modern India*. Brill's Indological Library. Leiden; Boston: Brill, 2014
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- Khaliq Ahmad Nizami, *Religion and Politics in India during the Thirteenth Century*, Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2002
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<b>HIST251C07</b>	<b>HISTORY OF INDIA IV (c.1206 - 1550)</b>
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### Unit 1: Introduction

Locating Delhi Sultanate within global history; study of contemporary empires and political structures in Central Asia.; Understanding war, mobility, conflicts, alliances, fluctuating notions of loyalty and service

### Unit 2: Interpreting the Delhi Sultanate

Survey of sources: Persian *tarikhs* tradition; vernacular histories; epigraphy; travel accounts; Sufi literature: *malfuzat*; *premakhyans*

### Unit 3: Sultanate Political Structures

Foundation, expansion and consolidation of the Sultanate of Delhi; The Khaljis and the Tughluqs; Mongol threat and Timur's invasion; The Lodis: Conquest of Bahlul and Sikandar; Ibrahim Lodi and the battle of Panipat; Theories of kingship; Ruling elites; Sufis, ulama and the political authority; imperial monuments and coinage; Emergence of provincial dynasties: Bahamanis, Vijayanagar, Gujarat, Malwa, Jaunpur and Bengal; Consolidation of regional identities; regional art, architecture and literature

### Unit 4: Society and Economy

*Iqtas* and the revenue-free grants; Agricultural production; technology; Changes in rural society; revenue systems; Monetization; market regulations; growth of urban centres; trade and commerce; Indian Ocean trade

### Unit 5: Religion, Society and Culture

Sufi *silsilas*: Chishtis and Suhrawardis; doctrines and practices; social roles; Bhakti movements and monotheistic traditions in South and North India; Women Bhaktas; Nathpanthis; Kabir, Nanak and the Sant tradition; Rethinking 'Hindu-Muslim' relations

### Essential Readings:

- Aquil, Raziuddin, *Sufism, Culture and Politics: Afghans and Islam in Medieval North India*, OUP, 2007
- Asher, Catherine and Cynthia Talbot, *India before Europe*, Cambridge University Press, 2006.
- Chandra, Satish, *Medieval India from Sultanate to the Mughals*, Vol. I, (Delhi Sultanate 1206-1526), Delhi: Har-Anand Publications, [1997] 2001
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- Chaudhuri, K.N., *Asia Before Europe: Economy and Civilisation of the Indian Ocean from the Rise of Islam to 1750*, Cambridge University Press, 1991.
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<b>HIST252C08</b>	<b>RISE OF MODERN WEST II</b>
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**Unit 1: The 17<sup>th</sup> c. European Crisis**

Economic Changes in Europe: Beginnings of the agricultural revolutions; Military Revolutions and continuous warfare; The Thirty Years War and its aftermath in Europe; The Mediterranean countries of Spain and Italy; Rise of the Maritime Powers.

**Unit 2: The Era of Revolutions**

The Puritan Revolution and the Civil War, 1642-1651; The Rise of French Absolutism 1598-1661; The Glorious Revolution of 1688.

**Unit 3: Rise of Modern Science and the Enlightenment**

The New View of the Universe; Developments of science in the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> centuries, The Scientific Climate of Opinion; Women and modern science; **Enlightenment:** Origins of the Enlightenment 1687-1715; The Orthodox Revival and the Cult of Sentiment 1690-1740; The Early Enlightenment 1715-1748; The Mature Enlightenment 1748-1778.

**Unit 4: Mercantilism and the European Economy:** The Mercantile System; Import of Bullion and the new abundance of fluid capital; Overseas Commerce in the 17<sup>th</sup> Century; Territories of economic power in European colonies.

**Unit 5: Political and Economic Issues in The American Revolution:** Background to colonisation in America, Interface of political and economic aspects in the American Revolution; The Seven Years' War; Colonial resistance and protests; The Boston Tea Party and the Intolerable Acts; The Continental Congress and the Declaration of Independence 1776.

**Unit 6: Prelude to The Industrial Revolution:** Population; Demography; Proto-Industrialization and its critique; Literacy and Human Capital; Beginnings of the Industrial Revolution in Great Britain; Condition of the Working Classes; Expansion of the Middle Class; Economic Liberalism; Emergence of Socialism.

**Essential Readings:**

Carlo M. Cipolla, *Before The Industrial Revolution, European Society and Economy. 1000 -1700.*

Christopher Hill, *A Century of Revolutions.*

D. C. Coleman (Ed.), *Revisions in Mercantilism.*

Eric Hobsbawn, *Age of Revolutions.*

G. Parker and L. M. Smith, *General Crisis of the Seventeenth Century.*

G. Parker, *Europe in Crisis 1598- 1648.*

H. G. Koenigsberger and G. L. Mosse, *Europe in The Sixteenth Century.*

J. H. Parry, *The Age of Reconnaissance.*

J. R. Hale, *Renaissance Europe.*

Jan De Vries, *Economy of Europe in an Age of Crisis 1600-1750.*

John S. Dunn, *The Ages of Religious Wars 1559-1715*

Jonathan I. Israel, *Democratic Enlightenment: Philosophy, Revolution, And Human Rights: 1750-1790*

Jonathan I. Israel, *Enlightenment Contested: Philosophy, Modernity and The Emancipation of Man: 1670-1752*

Jonathan I. Israel, *Radical Enlightenment: Philosophy and The Making of Modernity: 1650-1750*

Leonard Krieger, *Kings and Philosophers 1689-1789*

Maurice Dobb, *Studies in The Development of Capitalism.*

R. Hall, *From Galileo to Newton.*

Ralph Davis, *The Rise of the Atlantic Economics.*



Rodney Hilton, *Transition from Feudalism to Capitalism*.  
Stephen J. Lee, *Aspects of European History 1494 - 1789*.  
Theodore K. Rabb, *The Struggle for Stability in Early Modern Europe*.  
V. Poliensiky, *War and Society in Europe 1618 - 1648*.  
V. Scammell, *The 1st Imperial Age: European Overseas Expansion 1400 - 1715*.

**Suggested Readings:**

G. R. Elton, *Reformation Europe 1517-1559*.  
M. P. Gilmore, *The World of Humanism 1453 -1517*.  
B. H. Slicher Von Bath, *The Agrarian History of Western Europe. Ad. 500-1850*.  
Charles A. Nauert, *Humanism and The Culture of the Renaissance*.  
D. H. Pennington, *Seventeenth Century Europe*.  
Harry Miskimin, *The Economy of Later Renaissance Europe: 1460-1600*.  
J. Lynch, *Spain Under the Hapsburgs*.  
James B. Collins, *The State in Early Modern France: New Approaches to European History*.  
L. W. Owie, *Seventeenth Century Europe*.  
M. S. Anderson, *Europe in The Eighteenth Century*.  
Perry Anderson, *Lineages of The Absolutist State*.  
Peter Kriedte, *Peasants, Landlords and Merchant Capitalists*.  
Peter Mathias, *First Industrial Revolution*.  
Stuart Andrews, *Eighteenth Century Europe*.  
The Cambridge Economic History of Europe. Vol. I-VI.  
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## **HIST253SEC02A | INDIAN ART & ARCHITECTURE**

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### **Unit 1: Indian Art (c. 300 BCE-600 CE)**

a. Rock art; b. Major developments in stupa, cave and temple art and architecture; c. Indian Sculpture: style and iconography: Buddhist, Jain & Brahmanical iconography

### **Unit 2: Indian Art (c. 600 CE-1200 CE)**

a. Temple forms and their architectural features: case study of Orissa temples; b. early illustrated manuscripts and mural painting traditions; c. Indian bronzes and metal icons

### **Unit 3: Indian art and architecture (c. 1200- 1800)**

a. Sultanate architecture; b. Mughal architecture; c. Miniature painting traditions: Mughal, Rajasthani, and Pahari

### **Unit 4: Modern and Contemporary Indian art and Architecture**

a. Introduction to the rise of modern art; b. Bengal School of art; c. popular art forms (folk art traditions)

## **V. Field Trip**

### **Essential Readings:**

- Asher, Catherine B., *The Architecture of Mughal India*, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 2003.  
 Beach, M.C., *The New Cambridge History of India I: 3, Mughal and Rajput Painting*, Cambridge University Press, 1992.  
 Brown, Percy, *Indian Architecture, Vol.I: Buddhist and Hindu Periods & Vol.II: Muslim Period*, Bombay, 1949.  
 Dhar, P. P., ed., *Indian Art History Changing Perspectives*, DK Publishing House, New Delhi, 2011.  
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 Sivarammurti, C., *Indian Bronzes*. Marg Publication, Mumbai, 1962.

### **Suggested Readings:**

- Anjan Chakraborty, *Indian Miniature Painting*, Roli Books, New Delhi, 2005. Chapter on Mughal Painting (pp. 33-68), Deccani Painting (pp. 69-74), Rajasthani Painting (pp. 75-104) and Pahari Painting (pp. 105-134).  
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Max. Marks	: 50
Internal Assessment	: 15
End-Sem Exam	: 35
<b>Credits</b>	<b>: 05</b>

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**HIST253SEC02B UNDERSTANDING POPULAR CULTURE**

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**Unit 1: Introduction**

Defining popular culture and understanding it historically

**Unit 2: Visual Expressions**

Folk Art, Calendar Art, Photography

**Unit 3: Performance**

Theatre; Music; Folk Tales/Songs/Swang and Nautanki: Identifying themes, functionality, anxieties

**Unit 4: The Audio-Visual**

Cinema and Television: Indian Cinema: Mapping the influence of the national struggle for independence (1930s and 40s); Idealized nationalism (1950s), disillusionment and the anti-establishment mood (1970s and 80s); documentary films, Expression of popular culture in television

**Unit 5: Fairs, Festivals and Rituals**

Disentangling mythological stories, patronage, regional variations

**Unit 6: Popular Culture in a Globalized World**

The Impact of the Internet and Audio-Visual Media

**Essential Readings:**

- Dissanayake, W and K M Gokul Singh, *Indian Popular Cinema*, Trentham Books, London, 2004  
 Storey, John, *Cultural Theory and Popular Culture*, London, 2001  
 Oberoi, Patricia, *Freedom and Destiny: Gender, Family and Popular Culture in India*, Delhi, 2009  
 Princy, Christopher, *Camera Indica: The Social Life of Indian Photographs*, Chicago, 1998  
 Gokulsing, K. Moti and Wimal Dissanayake, *Popular Culture in a Globalised India* (Routledge, 2008)  
 Storey, John, *Cultural Studies and the Study of Popular Culture: Theories and Methods*, Second Edition (Edinburgh University Press, 2003)  
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 Dittmer, Jason, *Popular Culture, Geopolitics, & Identity*, Second Edition (2019)  
 Brooks, Ann, *Popular Culture: Global Intercultural Perspectives* (2014)  
 Beer, David, *Popular culture and New Media: The Politics of Circulation* (2013)  
 Grazian, David, *Mix It Up: Pop Culture, Mass Media, and Society* (2017)

**Suggested Readings:**

- Ramanujan, A K, *Folktales from India: A Selection of Oral Tales from Twenty-Two Languages* (Only the Introduction)  
 Ramaswamy, V, "Women and the Domestic in Tamil Folk Songs" in Kumkum Sangari and Chakravarti, eds, *From Myths to Markets: Essays on Gender*, Shimla, 1999.  
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Max. Marks	: 50
Internal Assessment	: 15
End-Sem Exam	: 35
<b>Credits</b>	<b>: 03</b>

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**HIST254VAC02 Language: Introductory Persian (Level One)**

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**Persian**

**Course Objective:**

The aim of this course is to impart basic knowledge of Persian grammar besides acquainting students with commonly used Persian words especially ‘*Masdars*’ and simple terminologies. The student will be trained in building vocabulary and practicing conversation used in day to day life. The learners are able to read and write the language more efficiently.

**Learning Outcomes:**

- The understanding of grammar lays a solid ground for effective communication. It makes written content more readable and in turns more interesting.
- After studying grammar, learners are able to become more accurate when using a language. Without good grammar, clear communication is impossible.
- The student will be able to speak language more fluently.

**Course Content:**

**Unit 1: Introduction**

The Alphabet; Vowels; Formation of Words; Numbers; Singular and Plural; Use of This and That; Name of Persian Days and Months

**Unit 2: Basic Grammar**

Noun; Pronoun; Adjective; Verb; Infinitive; Conjugation; Possessive Pronoun; Exercises on Adjective and Verbs

**Unit 3: Grammar and Tenses**

Preposition; Genders; Opposite and Opposite Number; Formation of Tenses: Past; Present, and Future

**Unit 4: Grammar and Translation**

Past Indefinite; Present Perfect; Past Perfect; Translation; Past Imperfect; Dubious Past; Optative Tense; Translation

**Unit 5: Tenses and Uses of Some Important Words and Phrases**

Present Tense; Future; Imperative; Prohibitive; Translation; Use of Must, Should; Use of How, Why, When; Use of As...As, So As; Use of Under, On; Negative Sentences

**Essential Readings:**

- Ahmad, Shah Razi, *Rehnuam-i Tarjuma-i Qawaed-i Farsi Farsi Awwal Dabistan* published by Ministry of Education, I. R.Iran.  
 Khanlari, Dr. Zehra, *Farsi wa Dastoor*, Idrah-e Adabiyat, Jayyed Press, Ballimaran, Delhi.  
 Kumar, Rajinder, *Elementary Persian Grammar*, Harjeet Publication, Delhi, 2009.  
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- Aamad Nama*, Tanweer Book depot, Kolkata.  
 Ahmed, Iftekhar, *Gulbang-e-Farsi*, Farhangistan, Kolkata, 2005.  
 Hussain, Abid and Md Aftab Alam, *Amozish-e-Farsi Awal*, Azha Publication, Kolkata, 2013.

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Max. Marks	: 50
Internal Assessment	: 15
End-Sem Exam	: 35
Credits	: 03

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**HIST254VAC02 Language: Introductory Sanskrit (Level One)**

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**Sanskrit****Course Objective:**

The objective of this course is to make the students familiar with the basics of Sanskrit language. The purpose is to enable them to know and understand the importance of Sanskrit as well as Sanskritic languages to interpret ancient epigraphic and other documents of historical interest. Thus they will be able to read and interpret ancient Indian documents written in Sanskrit in direct method. They will also be conversant with the techniques of handling ancient texts. It is interesting for them to follow the grammatical and other technical regulations of Sanskrit language which control, change and modify the literary or lexicographic meanings of words and sentences.

**Learning Outcomes:** After completing this Course, students will be able to:

- Explain the development of Sanskrit root words.
- Understand the syntax of this language.
- Transcribe other Indian scripts into Roman script.
- Point out the grammatical mistakes and irregularities.
- Pronounce clearly Sanskrit words.
- Translate some epigraphical and other historical texts and manuscripts.
- Understand the importance of learning Sanskrit language for the study of and research on various aspects of Sanskritic texts.
- Use Sanskrit texts for future research work.

**Course Content:****Unit 1: Elementary knowledge about language and alphabetical expression**

Devanagari (alphabet & numerals); Roman Transcription; Vocabulary with Gender & Number (with Synonyms); Declension, Conjugation

**Unit 2: Sanskrit grammar**

Gerund, Infinitives, Participles, Adjectives, Adverbs; Suffixes, Prefixes

**Unit 3: Interrelation of Words in a Sentence**

Interrelation of Words in a sentence

**Unit 4: Simple Sanskrit Sentences**

Simple Sanskrit Sentences

**Essential Readings:**

- Antoine, R. *A Sanskrit Manual*. (Part I). Calcutta (now Kolkata): Xavier Publications. 1996 (rpt.).
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- Deshpande, Madhav M. *SAṂSKṚTASUBODHINĪ A Sanskrit Primer*. The United States of America: Centers for South and Southeast Asian Studies University of Michigan. 2003 (4<sup>th</sup> rpt.; 1<sup>st</sup> ed. 1997).
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- Lahiri, Probodhchandra, Hrisikesh Sastri. *Pāṇinīyam*. Kolkata: The Dhaka students library. 2007 (6<sup>th</sup> ed. and rpt.; 1<sup>st</sup> ed. 1956).
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Max. Marks	: 50
Internal Assessment	: 10
End-Sem Exam	: 40
<b>Credits</b>	<b>: 06</b>

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**HIST255MC04 SOUTH ASIAN CULTURES IN THE AGE OF NATIONALISM**

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**Unit 1:** Nation and its Historical Inquiry; Theories of Nationalism, Past, History and Community Identity

**Unit 2:** Religion, Community, and Dissent; Religious Practices and ideologies –Shared and Conflicting

**Unit 3:** Hindu Nationalism: Savarkar, Golwalkar, Hedgewar, Moonje, etc.

**Unit 4:** Religious Practice and Modern Technology- Print and Visual

**Unit 5:** On Islam and Visual Culture

**Unit 6:** Inter-community Relations: Literary and Visual Narrative

**Essential Readings:**

Anne Murphy, “Writing the Community: Literary Sources from the Eighteenth Century” in *The Materiality of the Past: History and Representation in Sikh Tradition*, OUP, 2012

Ernest Gellner, *Nation and Nationalisms*, pp. 1-8.

Francis Robinson, „Technology and Religious Change: Islam and the Impact of Print“, *Modern Asian Studies* 27, 1 (1993) pp. 229-251

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ParthaChatterjee, *Nation and its Fragments*, Introduction

Peter Schreiner, “The Indianness of Modern Indian Philosophy as a Historical and Philosophical Problem”, *Philosophy East and West*, 28(1), 1978: 21-37

Peter van der Veer, “God must be liberated: A Hindu Liberation Movement in Ayodhya”, *Modern Asian n*

Phillip Lutgendorf, “Ramayan: The Video” *The Drama Review* 34, no. 2 (Summer 1990) pp. 127-176

RomilaThapar, “Imagined Religious Communities?” *Ancient History and the Modern Search for a Hindu Identity*

Vikram Sampath, “*Savarkar: A contested Legacy, 1924-1966*”, Penguin, 2021

Vikram Sampath, “*Savarkar: Echoes from a Forgotten Past, 1883- 1924*”, Penguin, 2019

**Suggested Readings:**

Benjamin Zachariah, *Playing The Nation Game*, Introduction

Christina Oesterheld, “„Ekkahani, ganga jamni“: Satirising Secularity” in VasudhaDalmia and Theo Damsteegt eds., *Narrative Strategies: Essays on South Asian Literature and Film* (Delhi: OUP, 1998), 243-60

Francesca Orsini, “Reading a Social Romance” in VasudhaDalmia and Theo Damsteegt eds., *Narrative Strategies: Essays on South Asian Literature and Film* (Delhi: OUP, 1998) pp. 185-210.

Mark Juergensmeyer, “The Rise of Ad Dharma” in *Religion as Social Vision: the Movement Against Untouchability in 20th Century Punjab*. Berkely, California University Press, 1984. Pp. 21-50

Markus Daechsel, “Scientism and its Discontents: The Indo-Muslim „Fascism“ of Inayatullah Khan Al-Mashriqi”, *Modern Intellectual History*, 3:3 (2006), pp. 443-72.

Phillip Lutgendorf, “Evolving a monkey: Hanuman, poster art and postcolonial anxiety”, 2002; 36(1-2) 2002: 71-112

- Phyllis K Herman, ““Seeing the Divine Through Windows: Online Puja and Virtual Religious Experience”, *Heidelberg Journal of Religions on the Internet* 4:1 (2010), pp. 151-178.
- Rini Bhattacharya Mehta, “The Missionary Sanyasi and the Burden of the Colonised: The Reluctant Alliance Between Religion and Nation in the Writings of Swami Vivekananda (1863-1902)”, *Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa and the Middle East*, 28:2 (2008), pp. 10-25.
- Shahid Amin, “On Retelling the Muslim Conquest of North India”, in *History and the Present*, eds., ParthaChatterjee and AnjanGhosh (Delhi, Permanent Black, 2004) 24-43.
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- Shekhar Bandopadhyaya, *Plassey to Partition* (Delhi: Orient Blackswan)
- SumitSarkar, “Rammohun Roy and the Break with the Past”
- Susan Bayly, “Warrior, Martyr Pirs in the 18th Century” in *Saints, Goddesses and Kings: Muslims and Christians in South Indian Society*. Cambridge, CUP, 1989, pp. 187-215
- TapatiGuha-Thakurta, “The Demands of Independence: From a National Exhibition to a National Museum” in *Monuments, Objects, Histories: Institutions of Art in Colonial and Post-Colonial India* (Delhi: Permanent Black, 2005), 175-204.
- Valerian Rodrigues, “Making a Tradition Critical: Ambedkar’s Reading of Buddhism” in Peter Robb ed. *Dalit Movements and the Meaning of Labour in India* (Delhi: OUP, 1993) pp. 299-339

**Four Years Programme under CHOICE BASED  
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(Semester-V)**

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End-Sem Exam	: 40
<b>Credits</b>	<b>: 06</b>

<b>HIST301C09</b>	<b>HISTORY OF INDIA V (C. 1550-1605)</b>
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**Unit 1: Sources and Historiography**

Sources, Genres and Categories; Persian and Vernacular Literary Traditions; Chronicles and Auto/Biographical Accounts; Approaches to Contemporary Sources

**Unit 2: Establishment of Mughal Rule: Political Formations and Military Culture**

Political Formations in South Asia and Central Asia; Fire Arms, Military Technology and Warfare; Migration and Mobility; Struggle for Empire: Babur, Humayun and the Afghans; Sher Shah Sur; Administrative and Revenue Reforms

**Unit 3: Consolidation of Mughal Rule: Political Culture and Administration**

Campaigns and Conquests; Revolts and Resistance; Articulation of Political Authority and Legitimacy; The *Akhlaqi* Traditions; Administrative Institutions; *Mansab*, *Jagir* and Revenue Free Grants; Central, Provincial and Local Administration

**Unit 4: Expansion and Integration: Nobility and Regional Powers**

Regional Political Formations: Rajputs, Nayakas and the Deccan Sultanates; Composition of the Nobility; Rajputs and Other Indigenous Groups; North-West Frontier; Gujrat and the Deccan; Mughals in Eastern India

**Unit 5: Society and Economy**

Social Formations; Ruling Class; Zamindars and Peasants; Rural Society; Lang Revenue System; Agricultural and Non-Agricultural Productions; Internal and External Trade; Trade Routes; Monetary System and Commercial Organization

**Unit 6: Religious Dispensation and Cultural Dynamics**

Imperial Disposition and Religion; *Sulh-i-Kull* and *Tawhid-i-Ilahi*; State, Religious Elite and the Problem of Legitimacy; Mystical and Intellectual Interventions; Sufism and the Sant Traditions; Art and Architecture; Language and Literature

**Essential Readings:**

- Cynthia Talbot and Catherine B. Asher, *India Before Europe*, Cambridge University Press, 2006  
 Douglas E. Streusand, *The Formation of the Mughal Empire*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 1999  
 HarbansMukhia, *The Mughals of India*, Oxford: Blackwell Publishing, 2008  
 John F. Richards, *The Mughal Empire*, Cambridge University Press, 1995  
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 Michael H. Fisher, *A Short History of Mughal Empire*, London and New York: I. B. Tauris, 2016  
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 Satish Chandra, *Medieval India: From Sultanate to the Mughals Part – II (Mughal Empire 1526-1748)*, Har-Anand Publications, 2005 [1999]

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 Allison Busch, *Poetry of Kings: The Classical Hindi Literature of Mughal India*, New York: Oxford University Press, 201  
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- David D. Shulman, *The King and the Clown in South Indian Myth and Poetry*, Princeton University Press, 2014
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- Iqtidar Alam Khan, *Gunpowder and Firearms: Warfare in Medieval India*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2004
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**HIST302C10 HISTORY OF INDIA VI (c. 1605 -1750)**

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**Unit 1: Sources and Historiography**

Sources, Genres and Categories; Persian and Vernacular Literary Cultures; Travelogues and *Insha* Literature; Approaches to Contemporary Sources

**Unit 2: Political Cultures: Jahangir and Shah Jahan**

Political Cultures; Authority and Legitimacy; Military Campaigns and Conquests; Alliances and Loyalties; Composition of the Nobility; State and Religion; Ulama, Sufis and Sants

**Unit 3: Mughal Empire under Aurangzeb**

The War of Succession; Military Campaigns and Limits of Expansion; State and Religion; Attitudes towards Religious Groups and Institutions; Jizya, Temple Grant and Music; Assimilation and Confrontation; Imperial Crises; Contemporary Perceptions

**Unit 4: Patterns of Regional Politics**

Political Cultures and Regional Politics; North-West Frontiers; Mughals and the Deccan Kingdoms; Emergence of the Marathas; Mughals in Eastern India: Bengal and Assam; Decline/Disintegration; Interpreting Early Eighteenth Century India

**Unit 5: Trade and Commerce**

Monetary System; Markets; Transportation; Urban Centres; Commodities; Crafts; Artisans; Technologies; Inland Trade and Indian Ocean Trade Network; European Commercial Enterprise

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<b>HIST303C11</b>	<b>HISTORY OF INDIA VII (c. 1750-1857)</b>
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**Unit 1: India in the mid-18th century: society, economy, polity and culture**

The eighteenth century in the world; The decentralizing Mughal empire and the rise of regional successor states; 'Going Native': Europeans in eighteenth-century India before the empire Historiographical debates

**Unit 2: The expansion and consolidation of colonial power**

Regional successor states, Indian intermediaries and the East India Company; Anglo-French imperial competition in India; The 'conquest' of Indian states: Bengal, Mysore, the Marathas, Awadh, Punjab, Sindh, Assam and Kashmir

**Unit 3: The colonial state and its ideologies**

Orientalism, anglicism, utilitarianism, evangelicalism, and *laissez faire*; Education and colonialism; Racial discourses; Instruments of colonial control: the army, the police and the law

**Unit 4: Economy and society**

Land revenue systems and agrarian relations; Commercialization, indebtedness and famines; Forests and pastoral economy; The question of de-industrialization and foreign trade

**Unit 5: Cultural transitions: social and religious reform movements**

Reform and revival: the Brahmo Samaj, the Dharma Sabha, the Faraizi movement, and the Wahabi movement; Debates around gender, caste and community: Sati, widow remarriage, female infanticide, caste disabilities removal, and conversion

**Unit 6: Popular resistance**

Peasant and tribal rebellions: the Rangpur *dhing* (1783), the Bhil revolts (1818-48), the Kol rebellion (1832), the Faraizi rising (1830s and 1840s), Sayyid Ahmad of Rae Bareilly's 'jihad' (1829-31), and the Santhal *hool* (1855); The revolt of 1857: the civilian rebellions and military mutinies, the course of the rebellion, ideological strands, interpreting the revolt.

**Essential readings:**

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- Bayly, C. A. *Indian Society and the Making of the British Empire. The New Cambridge History of India*. Volume II.1. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1990.
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Feedback from host organization	: 15
Internship Report	: 35
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**HIST341S101 | SUMMER INTERNSHIP**

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**Course description**

The course offers thorough problem-based learning approach, guided by realistic and challenging industry requirements. The course includes a 6-8 weeks of on-job training on current industry-relevant problem through supervised self-learning approach. The students shall apply their classroom learnings for identification of problem, execute analysis based on available literature, data & reports and present the output.

**Course Outcome:**

- Student is able to construct the company profile by compiling the brief history management structure, products / services offered, key achievements and market performance for his / her organization of internship.
- For his / her organization of internship, the student is able to assess its Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats (SWOT).
- Student is able to determine the challenges and future potential for his / her internship organization in particular and the sector in general.
- Student is able to test the theoretical learning in practical situations by accomplishing the tasks assigned during the internship period.
- Student is able to apply various soft skills such as time management, positive attitude and communication skills during performance of the tasks assigned in internship organization.
- Student is able to analyze the functioning of internship organization and recommend changes for improvement in processes.

**Course Content:**

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<b>HIST351C12</b>	<b>HISTORY OF INDIA VIII (c. 1857-1950)</b>
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**Unit 1: Caste, community and nation**

Colonial social engineering: census, surveys and anthropology; Printing and the creation of Indian public spheres; colonial censorship; Socio-religious reform movements: the Arya Samaj, Deoband, Aligarh, Jyotiba Phule, the Singh Sabha; Assertions of caste identity: Sanskritizing and anti-Brahmanical trends; Debates about gender and masculinity

**Unit 2: The Economy of Colonial India**

Trains, drains, and the telegraph; Agrarian reforms; The rise of modern industry: the emergence of capitalist and working classes; Famines and their impact; Forestry and environmental degradation; Economic critiques of colonial rule

**Unit 3: Early nationalism and anti-colonialism**

The Moderates and Extremists in the Congress; Swadeshi and revolutionary nationalism; Peasant and tribal rebellions: Pabna (1872-76), the Deccan peasants' uprising (1875), the Munda *ulgulan* (1899-1900); The founding of the Muslim League; The founding of the Hindu Mahasabha and the RSS

**Unit 4: Nationalism and anti-colonialism in the time of Gandhi**

WWI and its aftermath; Gandhi's ideas; Early movements of mass mobilization: the Champaran, Kheda, Ahmedabad and Rowlatt Satyagrahas; The non-cooperation and Khilafat movements; The civil disobedience movement; The Quit India movement

**Unit 5: Other strands of nationalism and anti-colonialism**

Ambedkar and Dalit movements; The non-Brahman movements in south India; Left movements; Peasant and tribal protest; Communalism and secularism; Women and the nation; Nationalism and culture: literature and art

**Unit 6: Independence and Partition**

India during WWII and after; Negotiations for independence; Popular movements and riots Partition

**Unit 7: The Emergence a New State in India**

Defining citizenship after Partition; The making a constitution; The integration of the princely states Land reform and the beginnings of economic planning

**Essential Readings:**

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<b>HIST352C13</b>	<b>HISTORY OF MODERN EUROPE (c. 1780-1945)</b>
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### UNIT 1: Revolutions

- French Revolution: From Absolute Monarchy to Democracy: Background and initial stage, 1789-92; Declaration of the Rights of Man and of the Citizen; August 4<sup>th</sup> Decrees and abolition of Feudalism; Civil Constitution of the clergy; Constitution of 1791; Jacobins (1792-94) and the Directory (1794-99).
- Revolution & Social Movements: Vienna Congress and Metternich System, Forces of conservatism and restoration of old hierarchies; Continental System and its failure, Restoration of the Bourbon monarchs: First restoration after Napoleon's abdication: Reign of Louis XVIII; Second Restoration and Constitutional Monarchy (1816-1820); Return of Reactionary Politics and the reign of Charles X; Changing social, political and intellectual currents; the July Revolution of 1830 and the Revolution of 1848; Re-appraisal of the effects of the Revolution in France: post 1800 changes in Europe: end of the Holy Roman Empire and later effects in the wake of restoration and revolution; European history in a comparative grid; Debates about the question surrounding the "birth of the modern world"
- Industrial Revolution: Processes of capitalist development in industry and agriculture and their background; Causal concatenations, features and dynamics of the Industrial Revolution in England: with details about the Enclosure Movement and the making of the English working class; Comparative case studies of Industrialisation of Britain, France, the German States and Russia; Evolution and Differentiation of social classes: Bourgeoisie, Proletariat, land owning classes and peasantry; Changing trends in demography and urban patterns; Cultural Implications: braiding trajectories of economic, familial and social transformations in the wake of capitalist industrialisation; Impact on everyday life; Triumph of the policy of Free Trade; Imperialism of Free Trade.

### UNIT 2: Comparing Nationalism across Europe

- Unification of Italy: Struggle between Conservatism and Liberalism; Mazzini, Cavour and Garibaldi
- Unification of Germany: Struggle for power and leadership between Prussia and Austria; Bismark Wars of Unifications and his policies; Franco-Prussian War (1870); Treaty of Frankfurt.

### UNIT 3: Wars & The World between the Wars

- Czarist Regime- Last Phase: Alexander III and reactionary policies; Russo-Japanese war; 1905 Revolution; The Bolshevik Revolution (1917) - causes; March Revolution; October Revolution; Lenin.
- First World War: New grouping of European states; Anglo-German naval rivalry; Diplomatic background of the First World War; The July Crisis of 1914; Outbreak of the war; Factor behind the defeat of the Central Powers.
- Europe between World Wars: The Paris Peace conference- 1919; Treaty of Versailles; Establishment of the League of Nations; The quest for International Security; the Geneva Disarmament conference and its failure

### UNIT 4: The War We Saw Last

- Origin of World War II: First appearance of Fascism in Italy; Mussolini; Fascist doctrine; Rise of Nazism in Germany; Hitler, 1933-34; Hitler's foreign policy; Munich agreement and drift towards war; Japanese Imperialism.

- World War II: Opening moves (1939-1940); Poland defeat; Denmark and Norway invaded; Hitler attack Holland; Belgium and France; Battle of Britain; Attack on Soviet Union; Battle of Moscow (1941) and Stalingrad (1942); USA entry in the war; Air offensive against Germany and the opening of Second Front; Fall of Germany; Road to surrender, May 1945; Redrawing of Europe's boundaries.

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- A. J. P. Taylor, *The Struggle for Mastery in Europe 1848-1918*, Oxford University Press, 1954..
- Abraham Ascher, *The Revolution of 1905: A Short History*, Stanford University Press, California, 2004.
- Alan Farmer and Andrina Stiles, *The Unification of Germany 1815-1919*, Hodder Education, 2007 (Third Edition).
- Albert S. Lindemann, *A History of Modern Europe: From 1815 to the Present*, Blackwell Publishing, UK, 2013 (First Edition).
- Albert Soboul, *The French Revolution 1787-1799: From the Storming of the Bastille to Napoleon*, Vintage Books, 1975 (First Edition).
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- Hugh Seton Watson, *The Russian Empire, 1801-1917*, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 1967.
- James Joll, *The Origins of the First World War*, Longman Inc., New York, 1984.
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- Paul W. Schroeder, *The Transformation of European Politics 1763-1848*, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 1994.
- Phyllis Deane, *The First Industrial Revolution*, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 2000 (Reprint).
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- Robert Pearce and Andrina Stiles, *The Unification of Italy 1815-70*, Hodder Education, UK, 2006 (Third Edition).
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- David Lowenthal, *The Past is a Foreign Country* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1985)
- Dorothy Thompson: *Chartists: Popular Politics in the Industrial Revolution* (New York: Pantheon Books, 1984)
- E.P. Thompson, *The Making of the English Working Class* (London: Victor Gollancz Ltd. 1968, reprinted 1980)
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- G. Barraclough, *An Introduction to Contemporary History* (New York: Basic Books, 1964)
- H. Seton Watson, *The Russian Empire* (Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1988)
- H.J. Hanham, *The Nineteenth Century Constitution, 1815 – 1914* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1969)
- J.M. Roberts, *Europe: 1880–1945* (London: Longmans, 1967; Second revised edition, 1970; Third edition, 2000)
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- K.O. Morgan, *The Oxford Illustrated History of Britain* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2009)
- Lawrence Stone, “History and the Social Sciences in the Twentieth Century”, in *Past and the Present* (1981)
- N.V. Riasanovsky and Mark Steinberg, *A History of Russia* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2010)
- Nicholas Mansergh: *The Irish Question, 1840 – 1921: A Commentary on Anglo-Irish Relations and on Social and Political Forces in Ireland in the Age of Reform and Revolution* (Sydney: Allen and Unwin Limited, 1975)
- Raymond Williams, *A Vocabulary of Culture and Society* (New York: Oxford University Press, 1985)

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End-Sem Exam	: 40
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<b>HIST353C14</b>	<b>THE JEWS: A GLOBAL HISTORY, FROM THE EARLIEST TIMES TO THE PRESENT</b>
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**Unit 1:** Biblical Times: Patriarchal Age & First Commonwealth/First Temple Period (1200-586 BCE); Second Commonwealth/Second Temple Period (586 BCE – 70 CE)

**Unit 2:** Jews of the East (Roman Palestine & Sassanid Babylonia, 70 – 632 CE, the Muslim World, 632 – 1500 CE, and China); Middle Ages in Europe (9<sup>th</sup> century – 1500 CE)

**Unit 3:** The Jews of Western Europe (1500 – 1900 CE); Jews of Eastern Europe & the United States (1770-1940)

**Unit 4:** Modern Age: Zionism, the Holocaust (Shoah) and the State of Israel (19<sup>th</sup> c. – 21<sup>st</sup> c.)

**Unit 5:** Jews in India: Communities (Bene Israel, Cochini and Baghdadi), and Jewish Refugees in India; Indo-Israeli Relations; Indian Jews in Israel

**Unit 6:** Judaizing Movements (B'nei Menashe, B'nei Ephraim, Noachides, and a section of Chettiars); Judaizing Movements: the Igbo of Nigeria, the Lemba of South Africa, and the Abayudaya of Uganda

### Essential Readings:

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- Bartlett, John R, *Archaeology and Biblical Interpretation*, Routledge, 1997.
- Bhatti, Anil and Johannes H. Voigt, *Jewish Exile in India: 1931-1945* (1999)
- Blarel, Nicolas, *The Evolution of India's Israel Policy: Continuity, Change and Compromise Since 1922* (2015)
- Charme, Stuart Z., "Newly Found Jews and the Politics of Recognition", *Journal of the American Academy of Religion*, Volume 80, Issue 2, June 2012, 387–410, <https://doi.org/10.1093/jaarel/lfs028>
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- Gilbert, Martin, *Israel: A History*, 1998
- Gilbert, Martin, *The Holocaust: A History of the Jews of Europe during the Second World War* (1985)
- Grayzel, Solomon, *A History of the Jews* (1968)
- Hodes, Joseph, *From India to Israel* (2014)
- Iaqueur, I A, *A History of Zionism* (1972)
- Israel, Benjamin J, *The Jews of India* (1998)
- Kumaraswamy, P R, *India's Israel Policy* (2010)
- Parfitt, Tudor, and Emanuela Semesteri, *Judaizing Movements: Studies in the Margins of Judaism in Modern Times* (Routledge Jewish Studies Series), Routledge, 2013
- Roland, Joan G, *The Jewish Communities of India: Identity in a Colonial Era*, Second Edition (1998)
- Scheidlin, Raymond P., *A Short History of the Jewish People: From Legendary Times to Modern Statehood* (Oxford & New York: Oxford University Press, 1998)
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- Thompson, Thomas L., *Early History of the Israelite People from the Written & Archaeological Sources* (Leiden: Brill, 1992)

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- Bartal, Israel, *The Jews of Eastern Europe, 1772-1881*, trans. Chaya Naor, University of Pennsylvania Press, 2006
- Chazan, Robert, *Reassessing Jewish Life in Medieval Europe*, Cambridge University Press, 2010
- Egorova, Yulia, *Jews and India: Image and Perceptions*
- Elias, Flower and Judith Elias Cooper, *The Jews of Calcutta* (1974)
- Gordon, Cyrus H, “The Patriarchal Age”, *Journal of Bible and Religion*, Vol 21, No 4 (Oct 1953), pp. 238-243
- Gordon, Cyrus H, “The Patriarchal Narratives”, *Journal of Near Eastern Studies*, Vol 13, No 1 (Jan 1954), pp 56-59
- Grabbe, Lester L, *An Introduction to Second Temple Judaism: History and Religion of the Jews in the Time of Nehemiah, the Maccabees, Hillel and Jesus*, T&T Clark, 2010
- Hyman, Mavis, *Jews of the Raj* (1995)
- Israeli, Raphael, *Old Historians, New Historians, No Historians: The Derailed Debate on the Genesis of Israel*, 2016
- Kalmin, *Jewish Babylonia between Persia and Roman Palestine: Decoding the Literary Record*, OUP, 2006
- Katz, Nathan, ed., *Studies of Indian Jewish Identity* (1995)
- Katz, Nathan, et al, ed., *Indo-Judaic Studies in the Twentieth Century* (2007)
- Kling, David W, *The Bible in History: How the Texts Have Shaped the Times*, OUP, 2004
- Kohen, Elli, *History of the Turkish Jews and Sephardim: Memories of a Past Golden Age*, University Press of America, 2007
- Lev, Shimon, *Soulmates: The Story of Mahatma Gandhi and Hermann Kallenbach* (2012)
- Lipstadt, Deborah E, *Denying the Holocaust: The Growing Assault on Truth and Memory* (1993)
- Mundill, Robin R, *England’s Jewish Solution: Experiment and Expulsion, 1262-1290*, Cambridge University Press, 1998
- Naveh, Joseph, “Hebrew Graffiti from the First Temple Period”, *Israel Exploration Journal*, Vol 51, No 2 (2001), pp. 194-207
- Sacchi, Paolo, *The History of the Second Temple Period*, Bloomsbury, New York, 2010
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- Singh, Maina Chawla, *Being Indian, Being Israeli: Migration, Ethnicity and Gender in the Jewish Homeland* (2009)
- Timberg, Thomas, *Jews in India*
- Yahil, Leni, *The Holocaust: The Fate of European Jewry* (1990)



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End-Sem Exam	: 40
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<b>HIST354C15</b>	<b>Research Methodology: Approaches to the Practice of History</b>
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### Course Objective:

The course will discuss the nature of the discipline of history and historical practices. It will analyse and focus on narratives, interpretations, worldviews, the use of evidence, methods of presentation of historians, and different historical schools of thought. The course will revolve around a dual pedagogic engagement: (1) Analysis of different historical schools of thought separately; and (2) Connecting flows and linkages, relating in the process the different approaches to the practice of history. This will help the students to acquire a balanced and nuanced understanding of the different facets of the course.

**Learning Outcomes:** At the end of the course students would:

- Understand core principles of historical thought in different parts of the world
- Understand the nature of, and access, historical sources, viz. primary and secondary
- Understand the use of sources in a wide variety of ways and associated issues of academic ethics
- Appreciate key historiographical issues and schools of history writing
- Critically engage with history and its relationship with cognate disciplines

### Course Content:

#### Unit 1: The Practice of History: A Brief Introduction

- 1.1 Debates over the nature and status of historical knowledge
- 1.2 The importance and nature of sources and the archives for history
- 1.3 The uses and abuses of history
- 1.4 Academic ethics

#### Unit 2: Historiography in India

- 2.1 From 'traditional' histories to early modern times
- 2.2. Modern schools of historiography: From colonial modernity through the postcolonial in outline
- 2.3 Critical reflections on different schools: imperialist, liberal-nationalist, nationalist, Marxist histories and the Subaltern Studies Collective

#### Unit 3: The Growth of Modern Historical Consciousness

- 3.1 Break with 'traditional' historiography and the writing of 'scientific' history
- 3.2 Marxism and history
- 3.3. British social history
- 3.4. The Annales tradition
- 3.5. New approaches to history: micro-history and history of everyday life

#### Unit 4: Events, Processes in Global Contexts

- 4.1 From world history to global history
- 4.2 'Connected' and 'entangled' histories
- 4.3 Transnational, translocal, and transregional histories
- 4.4 Theories of cosmopolitanism

#### Unit 5: Intellectual History

- 5.1 History of Ideas (*Ideengeschichte*)
- 5.2 History of concepts (*Begriffsgeschichte*)
- 5.3 Cambridge School

#### Unit 6: Poststructuralism, Postmodernism and Oral History (Weeks 15-16)

- 6.1 Poststructuralism and the social sciences



## 6.2 Postmodernism and literature

## 6.3 Oral history as a research tool: Approaches and methods

### Essential Readings:

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- C.A. Bayly, *Recovering Liberties: Indian Thought in the Age of Liberalism and Empire* (Cambridge/ New Delhi, 2012).
- Carlo Ginzburg (trans. John Tedeschi and Anne C. Tedeschi), 'Microhistory: Two or Three Things That I Know about It', *Critical Enquiry*, 20, 1 (1993), pp. 10-35.
- Damodar Dharmanand Kosambi, *An Introduction to the Study of Indian History* (Bombay, 2014 [1956]).
- David Ludden (ed.), *Reading Subaltern Studies: Critical History, Contested Meaning, and the Globalisation of South Asia* (Delhi/ Ranikhet, 2002).
- Dipesh Chakrabarty, 'Subaltern Studies and Postcolonial Historiography', *Nepantla: Views from the South*, 1, 1 (2000), pp. 9-32.
- E.H. Carr, *What is History?* (London, 1961).
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- K.A. Nizami, *On History and Historians of Medieval India* (New Delhi, 1983 edn.).
- Lawrence Stone, 'Revival of Narrative: Reflections on a New Old History', *Past and Present*, 85 (1979), pp. 3-24.
- Marc Bloch, *The Historian's Craft: Reflections on the Nature and Uses of History and the Techniques and Methods of Those who write it* (London, 1991 edn. [1964]).
- Marius B. Jansen, 'Rangaku and Westernization', *Modern Asian Studies*, 18, 4, (1984), pp. 541-553.
- Melvin Richter, 'Begriffsgeschichte and the History of Ideas', *Journal of the History of Ideas*, 48, 2 (1987), pp. 247-263.
- Michel de Certeau (trans. Steven Rendall), *The Practice of Everyday Life* (Berkeley & Los Angeles, 1984).
- Michel de Certeau (trans. Tom Conley), *The Writing of History* (New York, 1992 edn.).
- Michel Foucault, 'About the Beginning of the Hermeneutics of the Self: Two Lectures at Dartmouth', *Political Theory*, 21, 2 (1993), pp. 198-227.
- Michel Foucault, 'What is an Author?' in Paul Rabinow (ed.), *The Foucault Reader* (New York, 1984), pp. 101-120.
- Natalie Zemon Davis, 'The Historian and Literary Uses', *Profession* (2003), pp. 21-27.
- Natalie Zemon Davis, 'Women and the World of "Annales"', *History Workshop*, 33 (1992), pp. 121-137.
- Paul Ricœur, 'The Model of the Text: Meaningful Action Considered as a Text', *New Literary History*, 5, 1 (1973), pp. 91-117.
- Peter Hardy, *Historians of Medieval India: Studies in Indo-Muslim Historical Writing* (New Delhi, 1997 edn.).
- Prasenjit Duara, Viren Murthy and Andrew Sartori (eds), *A Companion to Global Historical Thought* (Chichester, West Sussex, 2014).
- Quentin Skinner, 'Meaning and Understanding in the History of Ideas', *History and Theory*, 8, 1 (1969), pp. 3-53.
- R.G. Collingwood, *The Idea of History (Revised edition, with an introduction by Jan Van der Dussen)*, (Oxford, 1993 [1946]).
- R.S. Sharma, 'How Feudal Was Indian Feudalism?', *Social Scientist*, 12, 2 (1984), pp. 16-41.
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- Samuel Moyn and Andrew Sartori (eds), *Global Intellectual History* (New York, 2013).
- Sebastian Conrad, 'What Time is Japan? Problems of Comparative (Intercultural) Historiography', *History and Theory*, 38, 1 (1999), pp. 67-83.
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Eric J. Hobsbawm, *Nations and Nationalism since 1780* (Cambridge, 1990).

Ernest Gellner, *Nations and Nationalism* (Ithaca, NY, 1983).

F.M. Dobrick, J. Fischer and L. M. Hagen (eds), *Research Ethics in the Digital Age: Ethics for the Social Sciences and Humanities in Times of Mediatization and Digitization* (Wiesbaden, 2018).

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Hayden White, *Metahistory: The Historical Imagination in Nineteenth-century Europe* (Baltimore, 1973).

Isaiah Berlin (ed. Henry Hardy; Foreword by Avishai Margalit), *The Power of Ideas* (Princeton, NJ & London, 2000 edn.)

Kumkum Chatterjee, 'The Persianization of *Itihasa*: Performance Narratives and Mughal Political Culture in Eighteenth-Century Bengal', *The Journal of Asian Studies*, 67, 2 (2008), pp. 513-543.

Ludmilla Jordanova, *History in Practice* (London, 2019).

Maxine Berg, 'From Globalization to Global History', *History Workshop Journal*, 64 (2007), pp. 335-340.

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Partha Chatterjee, 'After Subaltern Studies', *Economic and Political Weekly*, 47, 35 (2012), pp. 44-49.

Peter Burke, 'The Art of Re-Interpretation: Michel de Certeau', *Theoria: A Journal of Social and Political Theory*, 100 (2002), pp. 27-37.

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Romila Thapar, 'Early Indian History and the Legacy of D. D. Kosambi', *Economic and Political Weekly*, 43, 30 (2008), pp. 43-51.

Rosalind C. Morris (ed.), *Can the Subaltern Speak?: Reflections on the History of an Idea* (New York, 2010).

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**Four Years Programme under CHOICE BASED  
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## HIST401C16A Sources of Early Indian History

### Course Objective:

The course will discuss how sources have been conceptualized and used to reconstruct early Indian history. Given the vast range of sources available, and the strategies used to explore them, the discussion will revolve around a limited but representative sample of sources. The course is organized around inter-related themes- sources used to reconstruct political processes, economic activities, social norms and practices, and cultural practices. Students will be expected to read the source(s) based works in translation, referring, where possible, to the original text.

### Learning Outcomes: At the end of the course students would:

- Identify the major historiographical paradigms that have impacted on the writing of early Indian history.
- Student should be able understand the use of sources in the research as practiced by scholars of the humanities and social sciences.
- Distinguish between the major arguments of different types of historiographical interventions

### Course Content:

#### Unit 1: Introduction

Orality and literacy; literary languages (Sanskrit, Prakrit, Pali, Tamil, *Apabhramsa*, the regional languages); textual genres (language, literature and culture); methodologies of interpreting and historicizing texts.

#### Unit 2: Literary Texts

Vedic texts (four *vedas*); *Sutras*; *Smriti* texts; *Puranas*; 'Epic', myth and traditional history (various tellings and forms of the Indian epics-textual, oral, performative, sculptural); *Puranas*; *Kavya* (the emergence and evolution of *kavya*, the *kavis*, poetics and dramatury, relationship between *kavya* and inscriptional *prasastis*); *Sastra* (technical treatises, eg. those on *dharma*, *artha*, *kama*), relationship between precept and practice; Buddhist literatures; Jain texts; non-religious texts (*Ashatadhayayi*, *Mudrarakshasa*); *Sangam* and other Tamil Literatures; Foreign accounts (Greek or Roman, Chinese travellers and Arab travellers).

#### Unit 3: Archaeological Sources

Stone tools, pottery, metal objects, ivory plaques, stone sculpture; non-artefactual remains (organic and environmental remains, houses and buildings); rock paintings

#### Unit 4: Epigraphy

The decipherment of ancient scripts and the evolution of epigraphic research in India; Classifying inscriptions on the basis of language, script, purport; analysing inscriptions (role and potential of epigraphic evidence in historical reconstructions, modes of analysis); the Harappan script (basic features, claims of decipherment, role of writing in the Harappan civilization); development of early historic scripts (with special reference to Brahmi, Kharoshthi and Tamil-Brahmi); languages of ancient and early medieval inscriptions (Prakrit, Sanskrit, and the regional vernaculars).

#### Unit 5: Numismatics

Survey of numismatic studies (early 18<sup>th</sup> century to the present); methods of using coins for reconstruction of different kinds of histories of early India (economic, social, political, religious and cultural); numismatic terminology, origin and evolution of coins (techniques of manufacturing); metrology of coins (weight standards); survey of early coins (up to *circa* 1300 CE).

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<b>HIST401C16B</b>	<b>Connected Empires of the Mughals, Ottomans and Safavids</b>
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### Course Objective:

This course provides a comparative study of the rise, consolidation and decline of the three major Muslim (Ottoman, Safavid and Mughal) empires of the early modern period (c. 1600-1750). It familiarizes the students with various themes and issues relating to the history of these empires in "early modernity" in Eurasia: political cultures; maritime, commercial and diplomatic interactions; social formations and religious traditions and cultural developments. The course will teach the students the major historiographical interventions in the connected histories of these empires in a comparative perspective. It also looks at the ways in which early modern empires sought to create and manage hierarchical difference while ruling over heterogeneous populations before the transformations of the nineteenth century and the rise of nation states.

### Learning Outcomes:

At the end of the course students would:

- Understand the various historiographical views on the formation of these empires.
- Analyse how empires reproduced themselves in pluralistic and divergent socio-cultural settings in different ways.
- Assess the various forms of socio-political formations and economic developments in a comparative framework.
- Appreciate the cultural and intellectual connections and interactions, the Ottomans, the Mughals and the Safavids had with one another.
- Explore how identities were constructed and contested in these early modern Muslim empires.
- Know the concepts, methodology, various sources and problems of connected histories.
- Extend the scope of connected histories into the realm of language, court cultures and power.

### Course Content:

#### Unit 1: Introduction, Historiography, Historical Background

Themes and Historiography; Connected Histories; Central Islamic Lands and the Indian Subcontinent from the 13th to the 16th Centuries; Turko-Mongol Dynasties; Contested Legacy and Shared Heritage: Caliphate, Imperial Monarchy and Sultanates; Sovereignty and Legitimacy.

#### Unit 2: Political Formations

State Formations; Territorial Expansion and Contraction; Challenges and Responses; Consolidation of Imperial Political Culture; Administrative Organization; Stability and Disintegration

#### Unit 3: Imperial Authority and Sovereignty

State, Government and Administration; Sovereignty, Imperial Authority and Legitimacy; Administrative Systems; Law and Governance; Ruling Class, Officials and Institutions

#### Unit 4: Economic Systems and Social Formations

Money and Taxation; Trade and Overseas Commerce; Industries and Crafts; Commercial Practices; Agricultural and Non-Agricultural Productions; Artisans and Craftsmen; Ruling Class, Ahl-i Saif and Ahl-i Qalam, Subjects, Society; Social Structures and Formations; Social Stratification and Mobility

#### Unit 5: Religion and Material and Visual Cultures

State and Religion; Shari'ah and State Laws; Religious Change, Sects and Mystical Orders; Revivalist and Messianic Movements; Religious Minorities; Conversion, Difference and Tolerance; Language and Literature; Architecture and Fine Arts; Science and Technology

## Unit 6: Connections and Comparisons

The Movement of People, Circulation, and Travel Across the Empires; The Diffusion of Culture and Connected Metaphors Across the Empires; Europeans in Asian Empires, accounts of the encounters.

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<b>HIST401C16C</b>	<b>READING INTERFAITH RELATIONS IN WORLD HISTORY</b>
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### Unit 1: Amity

Asoka (268-232 BCE); Arab Spain (711-1492 CE); Maimonides (1138-1204 CE); Kabir (1399 – 1448/1518 CE); *Kitab-i-Nauras* and Ibrahim Adil Shah of Bijapur (1571-1627); Akbar (1542-1605); *Dabistan-i-Mazahib* by Mabat Shah/Mohsin ul-Fani (16<sup>th</sup> c); Jewish Sufis in India, Iran and Central Asia; Muslim Rishis of Kashmir; Husaini Brahmins; Manganiar Singers of Rajasthan; Bosnia-Herzegovina; Jews in India and China; Charity and Philanthropy; Salonica

### Unit 2: Bigotry

Anti-Semitism; Islamophobia; Islamism; Persecution of Bahais in Iran; Persecution of Qadianis and Ahmadis in Pakistan; Genocide of Yazidis in Iraq; Taliban ruled Afghanistan; Buddhist Militancy; Myanmar/Burma; Sri Lanka; Hindu Nationalism or Hindutva

### Unit 3: Conflicts

Conversion: Christianity, Islam; Desecration of Temples and Appropriation of Places of Worship; By Christians & By Muslims: Jerusalem, Polemics in Religious Literature, Interfaith Marriages

### Unit 4: Clashes: Causes and Consequences

Crusades; Thirty Years War; Pogroms; Jihad; Hindu-Muslim Riots; Anti-Sikh Violence; Khalistan Movement; Bosnia; Buddhist-Muslim clashes in Burma and Sri Lanka; Buddhist-Hindu clashes in Bhutan; Islamist Terrorism

### Unit 5: Interfaith Activism, Dialogue and Reconciliation

Abrahamic Religions; Indic Religions; Indic Religions – Abrahamic Religions; *Nostra Aetate*; Christian-Muslim Activism; Jewish-Muslim Activism

**Unit 6: Role of Religion Journalism (Mass Media: Print, Digital, and Television) and State and Religion:**  
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End-Sem Exam	: 35
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<b>HIST402C17A</b>	<b>Political Process and Structure of Politics in Ancient India</b>
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### Course Objective:

The objective of the course is to make students aware of the changing conception of polity and ideas of Kinship in Ancient India. The students would engage with issues and debates related to Ancient Political History, through the works of the historians. The course will teach how an understanding of political processes enriches our perspective of Indian history in its varied dimensions.

### Learning Outcomes:

At the end of the course students would:

- To make the students aware of the historiographical trends of Ancient Indian History from the Colonial to the contemporary times
- The students will understand how Politics and Polity have always been interrelated with social, cultural and economic spheres.
- Most importantly how the everyday life of common people in Ancient India was explicitly or implicitly affected by the Polity of the time.

### Course Content:

#### Unit 1: Historiography

Political theory in Ancient Indian Literature; From Colonial writings to the present

#### Unit 2: Theories

The idea of polity and Kinship in Ancient India; 'Monarchies' and 'Republics'; Rituals and Legitimation

#### Unit 3: State Formation

The emergence of the state in Ancient India: The political development in India.

#### Unit 4: The Mauryas

The political structure of Maurya, Post-Maurya, Kushanas, Satavahanas, Cholas, Cheras and Pandyas.

#### Unit 5: The Guptas

Emergence of Feudal system and its implications on administration and governance; Extension of State society

#### Unit 6: Early Medieval Kingship

Changing conceptions of Polity in Early Medieval India; From Empires to Kingdoms: Rashtrakutas, Palas, Gurjara-Pratiharas

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End-Sem Exam	: 35
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<b>HIST402C17B</b>	<b>Historiography and Forms of Historical Writings in Medieval India</b>
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### Course Objective:

This course gives an overview of the perspectives, method, style, contents and historical contexts of the Indo-Persian historical traditions. This course familiarizes the students with the salient features of Indo-Persian historical writings in Medieval India. Students will study and analyse translated excerpts from a few primary sources for understanding the wide variations in modes of narrativizations and genres of historical writings in medieval times.

### Learning Outcomes: At the end of the course students would:

- Understand how scholars read historical texts to disaggregate their structure and organization for historical analysis.
- Identify key features of Indian historical texts that were both stylistically influenced as well as significantly different from the Arabic and Persian texts produced in the Central Islamic lands.
- Understand texts across languages and periods that could be seen influencing each other and, thus, cannot be studied as separate traditions altogether.
- Learn that the vast historical traditions of the medieval and early modern eras constitute examples of diversity and variety in writing about the past.

### Course Content:

#### Unit 1: Introduction

Arab and Persian Historical Traditions; Translation and Flows of Knowledge; Medieval India; Persian Chronicles, Vernacular Historical Traditions; Sources and Inspirations

#### Unit 2: Principal Genres

*itihas, vanshavali, charit, tarikh, tabaqat, tazkira, bakhar, buranji, and khyat*

#### Unit 3: Main Features of Pre-Modern Historiography

Sense of History; Concept of Time; Causation and Agency; Social Scope; Political Functions; History and Morality

#### Unit 4: Varieties of Historical Writings

Chronicles, Auto/Biographical Accounts; Ethical and Mystical Literature; Official Documents; Literary Texts

#### Unit 5: Sanskrit Historical Tradition

Overview of Select Texts; *Rajatarangini* and its Afterlife in Persian *Tarikh*

#### Unit 6: Regional and Vernacular Histories

Assamese, Bengali, Hindi, Marathi, Rajasthani, Urdu; Historical Writing from South India

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<b>HIST402C17C</b>	<b>Visualising Power: Art and Politics in India, ca 1500-1947</b>
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**Course Objective:**

This course will present a broad historical analysis of the relationship between art, power and authority in South Asia. It will explore the uses of art and culture in two separate but interconnected imperial formations in India, viz., the early-modern Mughal Empire (1526-1858) and its successor the modern British Empire (1757-1947). In general, it will take an expansive view of art and culture in the public arena(s), inquiring into the many related areas where the arts and imperial policy interacted to express political legitimacy and define authority as well as to challenge it. The course will also pay attention to the various forms taken by anti-colonial nationalist art and the imaginings these ushered in of the Indian nation.

**Learning Outcomes:** At the end of the course students will:

- be able to understand the connections between power and its expression through the arts
- be able to visually analyze both the explicit and implicit, symbolic political meanings of art objects
- be able to appreciate the dynamic power relations entailed in artistic exchanges
- be able to understand both the aesthetic and political values of art and architecture
- be able to understand how ideas of patronage and audience were shaped by different political formations.

**Course Content:**

**Unit 1: The Politics of Art Objects and Monuments Before the Mughals**

This unit will explore the various contestations that occurred between political authorities over both religious and secular monuments and art objects. It will examine how power was constituted and challenged through practices of looting, destruction, exchange and the protection of such objects.

**Unit 2: Legitimizing Ideologies of Kingship in Mughal Art and Architecture**

This unit will explore the various visual modes through which Mughal emperors built and expressed their legitimacy to rule in world of multiple political actors both in and outside India. It will explore imperial patronage of painting as well as religious and profane architecture to examine how Mughal emperors rooted their authority not just in the religious and spiritual arenas but also through emphasizing their genealogical and dynastic lineage as Timurids. This unit will also explore the various ways through which Mughal imperial power sought to territorialize itself in a wider political context of non-territorial, overlapping sovereignty through examining the significance of laying out gardens and building garden tombs to claim control not just over nature but also over the territory of Hindustan and symbolically over the spiritual domain.

**Unit 3: Sub-Imperial Arenas of Patronage (Weeks 6-7)**

This unit will explore the structure of layered power in the Mughal empire by examining how sub-imperial patrons among powerful noblemen played a dual in both carrying forward imperial aesthetic tastes and equally importantly establishing their own political bases through their own networks of artistic patronage either individually or through mutual artistic exchange among different noblemen.

**Unit 4: Successor States and Challenges to the Mughal Imperial Centre**

This unit will examine how a range of regional successor states, while still maintaining their ties to the imperial centre, increasingly began to break away from it. It will do so by probing the various patronage activities of the rulers of these states that sought to deepen their political hold over their increasingly autonomous territories by presiding over an efflorescence of regional cultures even as they borrowed from and sometimes sought to exceed Delhi/Agra as a cultural centre.

**Unit 5: The Colonial State and Reconfiguring Visual Practices**

This unit will trace the gradual changes in the patronage of the arts, visual practices and representations of territory and people that accompanied the transition of political power to the English East Company State. It will examine the emergence of new styles of painting encouraged by Company officials, the arrival of European landscape painters and their visual representations of India's territories, its past, and its resources through the conventions of the Picturesque. This unit will also explore the use of photography in the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries to examine the representation of Indian peoples, India's history and the cultural conquest of Indian territories.

#### **Unit 6: Colonial Exhibitions and Representing Indian Arts**

This unit will explore how imperial exhibitions provided arenas for presenting the resources and wealth of the empire before a national metropolitan audience and a global audience of competing industrialized countries. It will examine how in the process the arts of India, and consequently its people, were represented as exotic and primitive and in need of Western tutelage. The unit will also explore the emergence, in this context, of the crafts 'resistance' among figures like John Lockwood Kipling.

#### **Unit 7: The Architecture of the British Empire**

This unit will examine how the British empire used architecture to project its power both by asserting its difference from India and Indian rulers and also through the contrary exercise of associating itself with them through establishing mastery over their styles. It will also explore how new 'colonial' styles of architecture were devised under the aegis of the Raj to project this purportedly hybrid nature of the British Empire in India. It will ask whether styles such as the Indo-Saracenic truly represented cultural hybridity rooted in actual political hybridity in the British empire.

#### **Unit 8: Art for an Indian Nation?**

The final unit of the course will turn to an examination of various Indian traditions of artistic production that emerged under the aegis of colonial rule. It will explore popular art forms such as the Kalighat paintings to ask what sort of the political engagements they represented. It will examine the Western-influenced but Indian-themed salon art of Raja Ravi Varma and the productions of Indian students of art colleges established by the colonial state to ask whether their art expressed national visions. It will explore the self-consciously nationalist art of Abanindranath Tagore influenced by ideas of Pan-Asianism, the art of Abdur Rahman Chughtai influenced by ideas of Muslim cosmopolitanism, and the many visual depictions of India to examine the varied imaginings of the nation that emerged in the twentieth century.

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**HIST403C18A | Early Indian Social Orders: Structures and Processes**

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**Course Objective:**

This paper will delve into the analysis of the various strands that go on to make early Indian social order in Ancient India. The course would engage the students to critically learn the ancient concepts of society.

**Course Outcome:**

At the end of the course the student will learn the inclusiveness and exclusiveness of common folks in the social order of Ancient India and how their everyday activities were affected by the changing conceptions of social orders.

**Course Content:**

**Unit 1: Ancient Indian Society**

Evolution from tribal to *varna* based societies: concepts of *jana*, *vish*, *vrata*, *gana*, *varna*, *jati*, *Vana* and *kshetra*

**Unit 2: Social Mobility in Ancient Indian society**

Proliferation and integration of new *jatis* within *varna* system.

**Unit 3: The Ancient Social theories**

Critical analysis of *Varnashrama-dharma*; Renunciation, Tantricism, Virashaivism

**Unit 4: Marginals and Foreigners**

*Dasa*, *Vratyas*, *Mlecchas*, untouchables, widows, prostitutes; *Yavanas*, *Turuskas*, *Tajikas*

**Unit 5: Social Values in Ancient India**

The 'moral' code for Gender, Marriage, Sexuality, Occupation, Rituals.

**Unit 6: The regulation and maintenance of social order in ancient India**

Study of ancient Indian legal texts and scriptures of social order; Legal Systems in Ancient India; Social Roots of Inheritance (With reference to women), Crime and Punishment (with reference to caste and gender)

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Max. Marks	: 50
Internal Assessment	: 15
End-Sem Exam	: 35
<b>Credits</b>	<b>: 04</b>

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**HIST403C18B Economy in Medieval India**

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**Course Objective:**

This course explores the economic developments taking place in medieval India from thirteenth to early eighteenth century.

**Learning Outcomes:** At the end of the course students would:

- Delineate the economic changes taking place from thirteenth to early eighteenth century
- Examine the role of trade and commercial agents
- Engage with recent historiographical contributions pertaining to this area
- Study and gain an understanding of the economic life of medieval India

**Course Content:**

**Unit 1: Indian economy on the eve of Ghurid conquest**

Feudalism: Serfdom, extraction of surplus, decline of trade, paucity of coins, urban decline;

**Unit 2: Agrarian economy and society**

Agrarian reforms; Agrarian production; Expansion and integration of the agrarian base during the Sultanate and Mughal period; Revenue extraction – revenue assessment under Delhi Sultanate and Mughals; Surplus redistribution – *iqta*, *mansab* and *jagir*; Agrarian society – village community, stratification; Impact on agrarian society – peasant uprisings; Agrarian crisis in Mughal India

**Unit 3: Non-agrarian Production and urban economy**

Urban centres and Industries; Urban Communities – merchants and artisans; Technology; Urbanization and Social Change; Urban-rural relations; Population and Standard of living

**Unit 4: Monetary system and the market economy**

Monetary reforms – price control/ market regulations; flow of precious metals and currency; monetization; mint administration and towns; Potentialities for change in pre-Mughal economy

**Unit 5: Trade and commerce**

Trade networks and commerce 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> century; Indian economy and the Indian Ocean– transformations since the 15<sup>th</sup> century; Maritime merchants in the Indian Ocean region– Indian merchants and their participation in Indian Ocean and hinterland or internal trade; Internal and overseas markets – inland trade networks; Foreign trade: European companies

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Max. Marks	: 50
Internal Assessment	: 15
End-Sem Exam	: 35
<b>Credits</b>	<b>: 04</b>

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<b>HIST403C18C</b>	<b>History of the Indian Ocean: Politics, Trade and Culture</b>
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### Course Objective:

The Indian Ocean has been connecting people, integrating regions and the movement of commodities, objects, skills, people, ideas and religions across the sea and has profoundly shaped many empires, cultures, ideologies, countries and the development of the modern world. This course focuses on history from the perspective of the sea. It looks at the vast Indian Ocean, both as a heuristic concept and as a physical space. It aims to present a complex picture of the historical forces and dynamics through ocean as a framework of analysis, both in the past and the present, from an early history of biological, cultural, commercial and ideological exchanges to contemporary strategic geo-political interests.

**Learning Outcomes:** At the end of the course students would:

- Understand major historical forces and dynamics within the Indian Ocean World.
- Recognise the theoretical and empirical approaches historians take to the study of sea.
- Recognise the important role of maritime communities and their technologies.
- Understand the contemporary geo-political significance of the Indian Ocean.
- Knowledge of the diversity of issues affecting Indian Ocean region.
- Ability to critically analyse the Indian Ocean in World politics.

### Course Content:

#### Unit 1: Introduction to the Indian Ocean

Terms and concepts; methodology of the *Longue durée*; prominent historical debates; recent scholarship on the Indian Ocean.

#### Unit 2: Early Maritime Contacts

Coastal communities; fishing and sailing communities; building of maritime networks; Greco-Roman, Mesopotamian, Indus port contacts.

#### Unit 3: Setting the Stage: Religion, Trade, and Empire

Early migration and trade across the ocean; Buddhism and maritime activities; Islam and the Indian ocean; Impact of the Chinese Empire; Developments in Southeast Asia, East Africa; trade, commerce, and pirates before the Europeans.

#### Unit 4: European Newcomers

European monopoly companies in the Indian Ocean-Portuguese, Dutch, French and British impact; Early modern European and Asian Pirates; Indian Ocean slave trade

#### Unit 5: Imperialism and the unravelling of the Indian Ocean

19<sup>th</sup> century Imperialism and steam-shipping; Indentured labour in the Indian Ocean; East African Slavery in the Zanzibar and Swahili coasts; Colonies along the ocean; Mutiny and Lascars.

#### Unit 6: The Contemporary Indian Ocean

Gandhi in South Africa; Haj and the Indian Ocean; The 20<sup>th</sup> century and the Indian Ocean; Somali Piracy; Geopolitical, economic and strategic significance of the Indian Ocean; India's position and role; Global and regional networks of power dynamics; Significance of the Indian Ocean Rim in today's world.

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- Allen, Richard B., "Indian Ocean Transoceanic Migration, 16th–19th Century" in *The Encyclopedia of Global Human Migration*, Blackwell Publishing Limited, 2013.
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- Arunachalam, B. *Heritage of Indian Sea Navigation*. Mumbai: Maritime History Society, 2002.
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Max. Marks	: 50
Oral Examination	: 25
Written Assignment	: 25
<b>Credits</b>	<b>: 04</b>

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**HIST441C19** **Dissertation Part 1**

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**Course Objective:**

This mandatory sessional course will encourage students to identify their areas of interest and select research subjects. It will also prompt students to visit libraries and archives and engage with archival materials. It will equip students to support their arguments with information drawn from various sources and to critically analyse them in order to develop a comprehensive study strengthened by new perspectives.

**Learning Outcomes:** On completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- Select sources and distinguish between primary and secondary sources
- Analyse, evaluate and correlate information from various sources
- Historically contextualize the topic and formulate research questions
- Draw comprehensible and critically sound conclusions
- Have an understanding of the ethical standards of research and practice them

**Teaching Learning Process:**

Teaching learning process will involve regular academic discussions on key concepts and themes. It will also encourage reading and analysis of important primary and secondary sources.

**Assessment Methods:****Assessment Methods:**

The dissertation will be evaluated on a scale of 50 marks. The assessment would involve the following process:

- In order to be eligible for their dissertation to be examined/assessed, every student must have fulfilled a minimum 75% attendance in the weekly supervision meetings indicated in the department time-table.
- All written assignments (typed) submitted for evaluation will be subjected to a plagiarism check either through a standard plagiarism software or through other means and the standard plagiarism policy of the department will apply.
- After the final submission of the dissertation, the department will generate an Urkund/TurnItIn report on similarities/plagiarism. This report will be forwarded to the concerned Supervisor(s), the Dissertation Coordinator and the Dissertation Committee.
- Plagiarism detected, beyond this report, by the Supervisor or the Dissertation Committee through means other than the above-mentioned plagiarism software programmes will be subjected to the same penalties as prescribed by the department's policy.
- With regard to the written assignment the supervisor will be responsible for awarding 50% of the total marks for each submitted written assignment (i.e. she/he will provide a mark out of a total of 25 marks).
- The remaining 50% of the marks (i.e. a mark out of the remaining total of 25 marks) will be awarded by the Dissertation Committee following an oral examination of the student's work.
- Therefore, in addition to submitting their written work, each student will be required to participate in an oral examination by the department's Dissertation Committee.
- The duration of the oral examination of the dissertation will be approximately 20 minutes. The purpose of this exercise is to train students to present lucidly the main findings of their research, defend their thesis, and to hone their skills of oral argumentation. These form an important objective of the Department of

History's pedagogical programme. As part of the presentation, the student may use audio-visual aids (such as PowerPoint or other applications).

- In the course of the oral examination, the Dissertation Committee members may require revisions to the dissertation; these must be made by the student within the time indicated by the Committee.
- The Dissertation Committee will consist of two faculty members of the Department of History, one faculty member from another department nominated by the Head of Department, and the Department of History's Dissertation Coordinator. To prevent any conflict of interest, the Head of Department will substitute for any one of the three members of the Committee from the Department of History whose supervisees may be appearing for the oral examination.

Max. Marks	: 50
Internal Assessment	: 15
End-Sem Exam	: 35
<b>Credits</b>	<b>: 04</b>

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**HIST405MC05 Research Methodology: Reading Texts in History**

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**Course Objective:**

The aim of this course is to train students in research methods, and help them critically engage with primary and secondary sources, and select texts. It constitutes two parts: in part 'A' students will revisit the basics of primary and secondary sources, archival resources and oral history; in part 'B' select and representative texts will be read in classroom with a view to encourage critical thinking and research pursuits. While rooted in the discipline of History, it also intends to familiarise students with larger debates in the Humanities and Social Sciences and to broader inter-disciplinary questions. It complements the other course in research methods, viz. 'Research Methodology: Approaches to the Practice of History', and is focused in particular on the methodological aspects of reading texts that are crucial for the discipline of History.

**Learning Outcomes:** At the end of the course students would:

- Develop skills in reading primary texts vis-à-vis secondary literature
- Develop better understanding of primary sources and their repositories
- Have a clearer understanding of using archival sources, exploring sites of memory and orality
- Engage critically with key issues in history writing and understand the scope of and challenges to practicing history vis-à-vis other social sciences and humanities disciplines
- Appreciate the core principles of academic best practice

**Course Content:****1. The Practice of History: A Brief Introduction**

- 1.1 Debates over the nature and status of historical knowledge
- 1.2 The importance and nature of sources and the archives for history
- 1.3 The uses and abuses of history

1. E. Sreedharan, *A Textbook of Historiography 500 BC to AD 2000*, Orient BlackSwan, New Delhi, 2004
2. E.H. Carr, *What is History?*, 1961
3. R.G. Collingwood, *The Idea of History*, London, 1969.
4. Ulinka Rublack (ed.), *A Concise Companion to History*,
5. Robert E. Keohane, 'Using Primary Sources in Teaching History', *The Journal of General Education* , Vol. 4, No. 3 (April 1950), pp. 213-220
6. Charles H. Wesley, 'The Problems of Sources and Methods in History Teaching', *The School Review* , Vol. 24, No. 5 (May, 1916), pp. 329-341
7. M.I. Finley, *The Use and Abuse of History*, London, 1975.



8. Margaret MacMillan, *The Uses and Abuses of History*, Profile Books Ltd., London, 2010

## 2. The Growth of Modern Historical Consciousness)

2.1 Break with 'traditional' historiography and the writing of 'scientific' history

2.2 Marxism and history

2.3. British social history

2.4. The 'Annales' School

2.5. New approaches to history: micro-history and 'indigenous' history

1. J. Arnold, *History*, OUP, UK, 2000

2. Ulinka Rublack (ed.), *A Concise Companion to History*, OUP, UK, 2012

3. Chris Lloyd, *Structures of History*, Blackwell, UK, 1993

4. Ludmilla Jordonova, *History in Practice*, Bloomsberry, UK, 2006

5. HPR Finberg, *Approaches to History*, London, 1962

6. Francis Celoria, *Teach Yourself Local History*, London, 1958

7. RJ Harris & Richard Rodger, *The Victorian City*, Longman, London, 1993

8. Michael A Williams, *Researching Local History*, London, 1976

9. WG Hoskins, *Local History in England*, London, 1993

10. Kumkum, Chatterjee, 'The King of Controversy : History and Nation-Making in Late Colonial India,' *The American Historical Review*, New York, 2003

11. Fernand Braudel, *On History* (1980)

12. Marc Bloch, *French Rural History; an Essay on Its Basic Characteristics* (1972)

13. E.P. Thompson, 'The moral economy of the English crowd in the eighteenth century',

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## 3. Historiography in India

3.1 From 'traditional' histories to early modern times

3.2. Modern schools of historiography: imperialist, liberal-nationalist, Marxist histories and the Subaltern Studies Collective

1. E. Sreedharan, *A Textbook of Historiography 500 BC to AD 2000*, Orient BlackSwan, New Delhi, 2004
2. U.N. Ghosal, *The Beginning of Indian Historiography and other Essays*, Calcutta, 1944.
3. D.D. Kosambi, *Combined Methods in Indology*, OUP, New Delhi, 2000
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8. Gayatri Chakravorty, Spivak 'Subaltern Studies: Deconstructing Historiography', in Ranajit Guha (ed.), Subaltern Studies, vol. 4 (Delhi, 1985), 330–63.
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#### 4.Oral History

- 4.1. What is oral history?
  - 4.2. Oral history as a research tool: Methods and techniques
  - 4.3. Uses and abuses of oral history
  - 4.4. Oral history and oral traditions: some case studies
1. Paul Thompson, *Voice of the Past: Oral History*, Oxford University Press, 2000
  2. Bidisha, Chakraborty, *ORAL HISTORY- Scope, Method & Techniques*, Type Style, Kolkata, 2008
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### 5.3 Cambridge School

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6.1 Poststructuralism and the social sciences

6.2 Postmodernism and literature

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2. Georg G Iggers, Q. Edward Wang, Supriya Mukherjee, *Global History of Historiography*, Routledge, USA, 2008
3. Tim Woods, *Beginning Post Modernism*, Manchester University Press, Manchester and New York, 1999
4. Michel Foucault, *Power/Knowledge* (1977)

5. Hayden White, *Metahistory: The Historical Imagination in Nineteenth-century Europe* (1975)
6. Johannes Angermuller, *Poststructuralist Discourse Analysis, Subjectivity in Enunciative Pragmatics*, 2014

## 7. Histories of interconnectedness

7.1 From world history to global history

7.2 'Connected' and 'entangled' histories

7.3 Transnational, translocal, and transregional histories

7.4 Theories of cosmopolitanism

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<b>HIST451C20A</b>	<b>Development of Early Indian Religions and Philosophies</b>
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### Course Objective:

This course traces the development of early Indian religions and philosophical traditions, while also paying due attention to key conceptual categories and analytical frameworks that inform our understanding of the subject. While it recognises the pivotal role played in this field by Orientalist scholarship, Indology, science of religion and, not least, ‘Indian philosophy’ since especially the nineteenth century, it is also an important objective of the course to underscore the limits and limitations of ‘Western’ episteme. Hence, it critically engages with Indic intellectual traditions, both with reference to its modern renditions as well as its rich history of commentarial and/or exegetical traditions from classical through the early medieval through the early modern period. Finally, it focuses on the evolution of the Vedic texts, later Vedic religio-philosophical systems, as well as non-*brahmanical* and esoteric traditions and their larger ramifications with reference to regional specificities and variations. The course begins with discussions in the initial weeks on concepts and methods and then proceeds to study different strands and themes of subject. In the final weeks, it draws a full circle by way of critical reflections on the various concepts and themes surveyed in the previous units, and engaging with key aspects of their modern reception. As far as practicable, the course will also familiarise students with select texts, representative of different traditions.

**Learning Outcomes:** At the end of the course students would:

- Students will better appreciate the plural nature of Indic religious and philosophical traditions since the ancient times through their medieval afterlives and modern reception
- Critically interrogate the very lens of academic engagement, and problematize ‘Western’ constructs vis-à-vis Indic categories
- Critically interrogate methods of religious and philosophical enquiry and textual and/ or scriptural articulations with reference to hermeneutic and exegetical approaches
- Identify and (re)trace the development of key strands and/ or themes in the realm of philosophy in general and/ or philosophy of religion in particular (covering a wide spectrum of aesthetics, ethics, epistemology and metaphysics in general and, more specifically, the branches of cosmology soteriology, monistic thought pantheism, panentheism, philosophy of mind and consciousness, ontology, and so forth)

### Course Content:

#### Unit 1: Concepts and methods: Western scholarship and Indian epistemology (weeks 1-3)

Orientalist scholarship and Indology; Orientalist stereotypes and the discovery of ancient India; ‘Hindu’/ ‘Indian’/ ‘Indic’ concept(s) of philosophy and religion; contesting doxographic approaches; cross-cultural comparisons and Indian philosophy and religions

#### Unit 2: Vedic texts and traditions, the Upanishads, and later *brahmanical* schools of philosophy (4-6)

Key aspects of religious and philosophical thought in the Rig Vedic and later Vedic texts; the self, the Absolute and the Upanishads; Theogony in the *brahmanical* literary corpus; cosmology; the *astika* schools and the ‘six systems’ of philosophy

#### Unit 3: Critique of *brahmanical* traditions (weeks 7-9)

The *nastikas* contra the *astikas* since the earliest through the early medieval times; The Charvakas/ Lokayatas; the Ajivikas; the Jainas; the Buddhists

#### Unit 4: Religions, cults and esoteric traditions through ages: Select case studies (weeks 10-12):

Bhagavata; Shaiva; Tantra; brahmanical/ non-brahmanical interactions; esoteric traditions, alchemy and yoga

**Unit 5: Critical reflections: Key concepts/ themes in Indian philosophy and religions, and their modern reception and/ or iterations (weeks 13-16)**

Aesthetics; ethics and morality; the concepts of reason and will; ontology; *karma* and salvation/ soteriology; consciousness; pantheism; panentheism; Yoga-Vedanta and their trajectories over centuries

**Essential Readings:**

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- Andrew J. Nicholson, *Unifying Hinduism: Philosophy and Identity in Indian Intellectual History* (Ranikhet/ New Delhi, 2011 [2010]).
- Angelika Malinar (ed.), *Time in India: Concepts and Practices* (New Delhi, 2007).
- Angelika Malinar, *The Bhagavadgītā: Doctrines and Contexts* (Cambridge, 2007).
- Arthur Basham, *History and Doctrines of the Ājīvikas: A Vanished Indian Religion* (Delhi, 2002 [1951]).
- Ayon Maharaj (ed.), *The Bloomsbury Research Handbook of Vedanta* (London/ New Delhi, 2020).
- Bimal Krishna Matilal (ed.), *Moral Dilemmas in the Mahābhārata* (Delhi, 2014 [1989]).
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- David Kinsley, *Tantric Visions of the Divine Feminine: The Ten Mahāvidyās* (Delhi, 2016 [1997]).
- David R. Kinsley, *The Sword and the Flute: Kālī and Kṛṣṇa, Dark Visions of the Terrible and the Sublime in Hindu Mythology* (Berkeley, Los Angeles & London, 2000 [1975]).
- Debiprasad Chattopadhyaya, *Lokāyata: A Study in Ancient Indian Materialism* (1959).
- Dimitry Shevchenko, 'Is Brahman a Person or a Self? Competing Theories in the Early Upaniṣads', *Journal of Indian Philosophy*, 47 (2019), pp. 507-526.
- Diwakar Acharya, 'How to behave like a Bull? New Insight into the Origin and Religious Practices of Pāśupatas', *Indo-Iranian Journal*, 56 (2013), pp. 101-131.
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- Diwakar Acharya, 'This world, in the beginning, was phenomenally non-existent': Āruṇi's Discourse on Cosmogony in the Chāndogya Upaniṣad', *Journal of Indian Philosophy*, 44 (2016), pp. 833-864.
- Donald Lopez Jr. (ed.), *Religions of India in Practice* (Delhi, 1998 [1995]).
- Gavin Flood (ed.), *The Blackwell Companion to Hinduism* (Oxford, 2003).
- Gavin Flood, *An Introduction to Hinduism* (Cambridge, 1996).
- Geoffrey Samuel, *The Origins of Yoga and Tantra: Indic Religions to the Thirteenth Century* (Cambridge, 2008).
- Gopinath Kaviraj (ed. Gaurinath Sastri), *Notes on Religion and Philosophy* (Varanasi, 1987).
- H.W. Bodewitz, *Vedic Cosmology and Ethics* (Leiden, 2019).
- J.N. Mohanty, *Classical Indian Philosophy* (Lanham, 2000).
- Jeffery D. Long, 'Consciousness and Relativity: Anekāntavāda and its Role in Jaina Epistemology', *South Asian History and Culture*, 9, 3 (2018), pp. 280-295.
- Johannes Bronkhorst, *Greater Magadha: Studies in the Culture of Early India* (Leiden & Boston, 2007).
- Jonardon Ganeri (ed.), *The Oxford Handbook of Indian Philosophy* (New York, 2017).
- Jonardon Ganeri, *Philosophy in Classical India: The Proper Work of Reason* (Delhi, 2009 [2001]).
- Jonardon Ganeri, *The Self: Naturalism, Consciousness, and the First-Person Stance* (Oxford, 2015 [2012]).
- Jonathan B. Edelman, *Hindu Theology and Biology: The Bhagavata Purana and Contemporary Theory* (New York, 2012).
- Judit Törzsök, 'Nondualism in Early Śākta Tantras: Transgressive Rites and Their Ontological Justification in a Historical Perspective', *Journal of Indian Philosophy*, 42 (2014), pp. 195-223.
- L. Biernacki, 'Towards a Tantric Nondualist Ethics through Abhinavagupta's Notion of Rasa', *The Journal of Hindu Studies*, 4, 3 (2011), pp. 258-273.

- Loriliai Biernacki and Philip Clayton (eds), *Panentheism across the World's Traditions* (New York, 2014).
- Max Weber, (trans. & ed. By Hans H. Gerth and Don Martindale), *The Religion of India: The Sociology of Hinduism and Buddhism* (Delhi, 2012 edn. [1958]).
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- N.N. Bhattacharyya, *Indian Religious Historiography, Vol. I* (Delhi, 1996).
- Natalia Isayeva, *From Early Vedanta to Kashmir Shaivism: Gaudapada, Bhartrhari, and Abhinavagupta* (Albany, NY, 1995).
- P.T. Raju, *The Philosophical Traditions of India* (Delhi, 2009 edn.).
- Patrick Olivelle and Donald R. Davis (eds), *Hindu Law: A New History of Dharmasāstra* (Oxford, 2018 edn.).
- Patrick Olivelle, *The Āśrama System: The History and Hermeneutics of a Religious Institution* (New Delhi, 2016 [1993]).
- Paul Deussen (trans. A.S. Geden), *The Philosophy of the Upanishads* (Edinburgh, 1908).
- Paul Dundas, *The Jains* (London, 2002).
- Peter Adamsaon and Jonardon Ganeri, *Classical Indian Philosophy: A History of Philosophy without Any Gaps, Vol. 5* (Oxford, 2020).
- Peter Heehs, *Spirituality without God: A Global History of Thought and Practice* (London & New Delhi, 2019).
- R.K. Siddhantashastree, *Vaiṣṇavism through the Ages* (Delhi, 1985).
- Ramkrishna Bhattacharya, *Studies on the Carvaka Lokayata* (London/ New Delhi, 2011).
- Richard King, *Indian Philosophy: An Introduction to Hindu and Buddhist Thought* (Edinburgh, 1999).
- Romila Thapar, *Cultural Pasts: Essays in Early Indian History* (New Delhi, 2013 [2000]).
- Romila Thapar, *History and Beyond (Comprising Interpreting Early India; Time as a Metaphor of History; Cultural Transaction and Early India; From Lineage to State)* (New Delhi, 2013 [2000]).
- Rupert Gethin, *The Foundations of Buddhism* (New York, 1998).
- S. Radhakrishnan, *Indian Philosophy, Vols. 1 & 2 (With an Introduction by J.N. Mohanty)* (New York, 2009 edn.).
- S.K. Bevalkar and R.D. Ranade, *History of Indian Philosophy: The Creative Period* (Delhi, 1997 [1927]).
- S.N. Dasgupta, *A History of Indian Philosophy. Vols. I-V* (Delhi, 1988-1991 [1922]).
- S.N. Dasgupta, *Hindu Mysticism* (Delhi, 2009 [1927]).
- S.N. Dasgupta, *The Study of Patanjali* (Calcutta, 1920).
- Sthaneswar Timalina, *Consciousness in Indian Philosophy: The Advaita Doctrine of 'Awareness Only'* (London, 2014).
- Sthaneswar Timalina, *Tantric Visual Culture: A Cognitive Approach* (London, 2017).
- Sukumari Bhattacharji, *The Indian Theogony: A Comparative Study of Indian Mythology from the Vedas to the Purāṇas* (Delhi, 2016 [1970]).
- Surama Dasgupta, *Development of Moral Philosophy in India* (Delhi, 1994 [1961]).
- Suvira Jaiswal, *The Origin and Development of Vaisnavism: Vaisnavism from 200 BC to AD 500* (Delhi, 2016 revised edn. [1967]).
- Suzanne L. Marchand, *German Orientalism in the Age of Empire: Religion, Race, and Scholarship* (Cambridge, 2009).
- T.N. Madan (ed.), *Way of Life: King, Householder, Renouncer: Essays in Honour of Louis Dumont* (Delhi, 1988 [1982]).
- Tomoko Masuzawa, *The Invention of World Religion Or, How European Universalism was Preserved in the Language of Pluralism* (Chicago and London, 2005).
- Tracy Pintchman and Rita Sherma (eds), *Woman and Goddess in Hinduism: Reinterpretations and Re-envisionings* (New York, 2011).
- W.C. Beane, *Myth, Cult and Symbols in Śākta Hinduism: A Study of the Indian Mother Goddess* (Leiden, 2001).
- Werner Menski, *Hindu Law: Beyond Tradition and Modernity* (New Delhi, 2009 edn.).

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- Arindam Chakrabarti (ed.), *The Bloomsbury Research Handbook of Indian Aesthetics and the Philosophy of Art* (London, 2016).
- B.D. Chattopadhyaya, *Studying Early India: Archaeology, Texts, and Historical Issues* (Ranikhet & New Delhi, 2016 [2003]).
- Bimal Krishna Matilal and Arindam Chakrabarti (eds), *Knowing from Words: Western and Indian Philosophical Analysis of Understanding and Testimony* (Dordrecht/ London, 1994).
- Esther Bloch, Marianne Keppens and Rajaram Hegde (eds), *Rethinking Religion in India: The Colonial Construction of Hinduism* (London & New York, 2011 [2010]).
- Hugh Urban, *The Power of Tantra: Religion, Sexuality and the Politics of South Asian Studies* (London, 2010).

- Jay L. Garfield, *Empty Words: Buddhist Philosophy and Cross-Cultural Interpretation* (Oxford & New York, 2002).
- Jeffrey J. Kripal *et al*, *Comparing Religions: Coming to Terms* (Chichester, 2014).
- Jonardon Ganeri, 'Manifesto for Re:emergent Philosophy', *Confluence: Journal of World Philosophies*, 4 (2016), pp. 134-142.
- Patton E. Burchett, *A Genealogy of Devotion: Bhakti, Tantra, Yoga, and Sufism in North India* (New York, 2019).
- Purnachandra Mukhopadhyay, *Journey of the Upanishads to the West* (Calcutta, 1987).
- Richard King, *Orientalism and Religion: Postcolonial Theory, India and 'The Mystic East'* (New Delhi, 1999).
- Stephen Cross, *Schopenhauer's Encounter with Indian Thought: Representation and Will and their Indian Parallels* (New Delhi, 2014 [2013]).
- W.Y. Evans-Wentz, *Tibetan Yoga and its Secret Doctrines* (New Delhi, 2018 [1934]).
- Wendy Doniger, *On Hinduism* (New Delhi, 2013).
- Wilhelm Halbfass, *India and Europe: An Essay in Philosophical Understanding* (Delhi, 2017 [1988 first Eng. edn]).

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<b>HIST451C20B</b>	<b>Medieval Archaeology</b>
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**Course Objective:** Archaeology is the study of past cultures and societies through their material remains. In this course we will explore different varieties of medieval archaeology and examine the theories, methods and techniques used by archaeologist in investigating, reconstructing, preserving and in general learning about the medieval Indian past. This elective paper aims to introduce students to develop the skills of appreciating the ‘material remains’ as a source of History. The aim is to acquaint students with understanding the role of axillary and ancillary subjects for an appreciation of our medieval past. Also to treat the urban layout of towns and accompanying technologies as source of understanding developing cultures.

**Learning Outcomes:** At the end of the course students would:

- Understand the development of medieval archaeology as a distinct discipline as practiced by scholars of humanities and social sciences.
- The students learn to appreciate the urban plans and layouts as basic to our developing cultural traits.
- An understanding that ‘technology’ shapes our society and culture.
- An appreciation of past cities and their relevance for us.

**Course Content:**

**Unit 1: Defining the Term**

‘Medieval Archaeology’ or Archaeology of the Medieval period? Sources of Investigation: Historical Sources and Visual Records of Construction of Buildings, Cartography and Map-making: the plans and sketches.

**Unit 2: Investigation of Medieval Sites**

Methods & Interpretations; Material remains and artefacts associated with Medieval phase; lime-mortar, *surkhi*, glazed ware & other ceramics; Endeavours of Sir Syed Ahmad Khan

**Unit 3: Reconstruction and Lay-out of Towns during the Early Medieval and Sultanate Period:** Delhi from Lal Kot to Tughluqabad; Special study of Gaur (West Bengal) and its Settlement Pattern; ‘Rural Settlements’: Kuldhara and Khaba in Western Rājasthān; Deccan and the South: Urban lay-out at Hampi, Champaner and Daulatabad.

**Unit 4: Mughal Town and Sources of Urban Design**

Āgra, Fathpur Sikri, Shāhjahānābād, and Jaipur

**Unit 5: Technical and Economic Archaeology**

Survey of pre-modern installations and structure; water-lifting devices; bridges, dams and barrages; archaeology and history of pre-modern technology: the indigo vats, paper manufacture, sugar-press mills.

**Essential Readings:**

- A. H. Longhurst, *Hampi Ruins Described and Illustrated*, Superintendent Government Printing, Madras, 1917  
 Aniruddha Ray, “Archaeological Reconnaissance at the City of Gaur – A Preliminary Report”, *Pratna Sameeksha*, vols. II & III  
 Aniruddha Ray, *Towns and Cities of Medieval India*, Manohar Publishers and Distributors, New Delhi, 2015  
 Attilio Petruccioli, “Process Evolved by Control Systems of Urban Design in the Mughal Epoch in India: the Case of Fathpur Sikri”, *Environmental Design*, no.0, 1984  
 B. R. Mani, *Delhi: Threshold of the Orient (Studies in Archaeological Investigations)*, Aryan Book International, New Delhi, 1997.  
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- E. W. Smith, S.A.A Rizvi & V.J.A. Flynn, *Fatehpur Sikri*, Bombay, 1975
- Fergusson, James, *History of Indian and Eastern Architecture, Vol. II*, John Murray, Albemarle Street, London, 1910
- G. N. Bahura & Chandramani Singh, *Catalogue of Historical Documents in Kapad-dwara Jaipur: Maps and Plans*, Jaipur, 1988.
- George Michell, *The Vijayanagara Courtly Style: Incorporation and Synthesis in the Royal Architecture of South India*, Manohar: American Institute of Indian Studies, New Delhi, 1992
- I. A. Khan, *Researches in Medieval Archaeology: Caravan Sarais, Buildings, other Remains from Sultanate and Mughal Times*, Primus Books, New Delhi, 2021
- Iqtidar Alam Khan, "Medieval Archaeology in South Asia", in I. Alam & E. Husain (ed), *The Varied Facets of History Essays in Honour of Anirudha Ray*, Delhi, 2011, pp. 47-58
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- Irfan Habib 'Cartography in Mughal India', *Medieval India — a Miscellany*, ed.K.A. Nizami, Vol.IV, Bombay, 1977.
- Shikha Jain, '*Jaipur as a Recurring Renaissance*', A Report by Development and Research Organization for Nature, Arts and Heritage and Jaipur Virasat Foundation.
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- Kenneth Hudson, *Industrial Archaeology: An Introduction*, Routledge, 2016
- Kiyo Iizuka "The Shah Jahan's Concept of Town Planning in Delhi", *Environmental Design: Environmental Design: Mughal Architecture, Pomp and Ceremonies*, Journal of the Islamic Environmental Design Research Centre 1-2, 1991, pp. 30-35.
- M. S. Mate & T. V. Pathy, *Daulatabad- A Report on the Archaeological Investigations*, Deccan College Post Graduate & Research Institute, Pune, 1992
- M. S. Mate, *Archaeology of Medieval India*, B R Publishing Corporation, New Delhi, 2005
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<b>HIST451C20C</b>	<b>Crime, Law and Society in Colonial India</b>
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**Course Objective:**

This course will introduce students to the issues of crime and law and the complex factors that facilitated the criminalisation of certain individuals or groups to sustain legal order(s) in colonial India. It will explore not only the repressive but also the productive logic pertaining to various kinds of ‘criminals’, ‘crimes’ and ‘criminalities’ to trace how in some instances the result of such categorisation was to create social, political economic marginalisation. It will examine how the colonial state used the instruments of the law and policing to accrue power for itself. The course will also reflect on how the legal systems of the colonial state had long-term repercussions on shaping a range of Indian identities and politics. It will consider the colonial legacies of the law and policing in postcolonial India.

**Learning Outcomes:** At the end of the course students would:

- become familiar with key theoretical discourses on law, legality, crime, punishment and colonialism
- critically understand the ways in which colonial rule both reframed and negotiated with notions of order and hierarchy in society through the instruments of the law and policing.
- comprehend the penal regime, its symbolic, ritual and institutional features and how they were shaped by the reconstruction of sovereign right, and the re-drawing of the line between restitution and punishment.
- understand the demarcation between public law and the realm of personal law, the contests over this dividing line, and the reshaping of communities of caste and religion in India.
- understand the legal conceptualization of the household and the authority relations which marked it along gender, caste and class lines.
- understand the accrual of state power through the law, policing and the definitions of Indian criminality.
- understand the colonial history of crimes against the state, the policing of ‘sedition’ and laws for ‘preventive detention’
- understand the law and instruments of maintaining order in their expansive cultural and historical sense.

**Course Content:**

**Unit 1: The Transition from Pre-colonial to Colonial Regimes of Law and Order (Weeks 1-2)**

This unit will examine how the colonial state, while purportedly continuing the legal systems of the pre-colonial regimes of India, in fact transformed them vitally.

**Unit 2: Colonial Law and Religious Identities (Weeks 3-5)**

This unit examines how the colonial state privileged the most rigid, textual readings of the Indian legal traditions to produce reified notions of religious ycommunitarian identities among its subjects. It explores how this process either entirely eschewed or transformed in its own light the diversity represented by customary laws across the subcontinent.

**Unit 3: Criminalizing Indians (Weeks 6-9)**

This unit will discuss how a ‘dreadful’ criminality was crafted by the British colonialists in India and was sought to be located in the genetic make-up of various groups. It will also explore how such criminality created the foundations of a could legal system that could bypass a wide range of rules in the interests of maintaining colonial dominance.

**Unit 4: Vagrants, Loafers, Goondas (Week 10)**

This unit will examine the treatment of a variety of so-called unproductive subjects of the empire, both Indian and European, who created embarrassment as well as administrative challenges colonial governance and were perceived as a threat to colonial law and order. It will also bring in issues of labour (both formal and informal) and emergent urban governance in colonial India.

#### **Unit 4: Surveillance and Punishment (Weeks 11-13)**

This unit will discuss how the colonial state used certain governmental techniques such as settlements and reformation programmes to regulate such groups it deemed criminal. It will examine how, often, the very measures adopted for the supposed prevention of crime could themselves constitute severe punishment. It will also explore how the penal regimes of the colonial state interacted with social norms.

#### **Unit 5: Gender, Crime and Colonial Law (Weeks 14-15)**

This unit explores the significant issue of how gender, patriarchy and governance came to be intertwined in colonial India. It will discuss how prostitutes were seen as ‘immoral’ yet had their uses for the colonial state. It will also examine how both British and Indian patriarchies interlocked in defining women’s criminality and in devising laws that sought to constrain Indian women’s voices.

#### **Unit 6: Criminalizing Rebellions, Political Dissent and Colonial Violence (Week 16)**

This unit will explore how colonial law and policing were both deployed against and shaped by colonial efforts to suppress rebellion and political dissidence among Indians. It will also examine how legal measures were introduced to censor political critiques of colonial rule. It will also explore the colonial establishment of the legal and criminal categories of sedition and contests over the category of the ‘political’ to examine how colonial violence acquired legal legitimacy.

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<b>HIST452C21A</b>	<b>Ancient Societies</b>
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**Course Objective:** Placing five of the most prominent ‘civilizations’ of antiquity within a common analytical framework, this upper level postgraduate lecture course will provide students with a vital understanding of a number of complex issues. It introduces students to fascinating debates in the field such as how complex societies emerge; what constitutes a ‘civilization’?; what were the relations maintained between complex societies and their neighbours who carried on older lifestyles?; what are the political underpinnings of the endeavours of ‘discovering’ or ‘rediscovering’ ancient civilizations in the much later modern period?

**Learning Outcomes:** At the end of the course students would:

- Understand the origin of the civilizations and the complex societies
- The evolution of the Agrarian society to Urban city-states.

**Course Content:**

**Unit 1: Origin of Complex Societies**

The Origins of Cultural Complexity in Ancient Egypt; the Evolution of Complex Societies in Southwest Asia; Early Complex Cultures in Indus Valley and Early complex Societies in Greece and Anatolia. The Study of Civilization: What is a Civilization? Comparing Civilizations, Civilizations and Their Neighbours; Investigating the Origin of Mesopotamian Civilization; the Rediscovery of Ancient Civilizations. Comparing Natural Settings of Mesopotamian, Egyptian and Harappan Civilizations.

**Unit 2: Classical civilizations**

Egypt, Greece and Rome; Mesopotamian Civilizations: Assyrians and Sumerians; Salt and silt in Ancient Mesopotamian Agriculture; the Indus and Eastern Asia; Trade Mechanisms in Indus Mesopotamian Interrelations; Ancient Egypt and ‘Black Africa’ – Early Contacts.

**Unit 3: Theories of States**

Evolutionary Schemes; Prestate and State-organized Societies; Six Classic Theories for the Emergence of State Societies: Childe and the Urban Revolution, Ecology and Irrigation, Technology and Trade, Warfare, Cultural Systems and Civilization, Environmental Change.

**Unit 4: Mesopotamia**

The First Cities (3500 – 2000 BCE): Hassuna, Samara, Halaf, and Ubaid; the Uruk period; the Early Dynastic Period; the Akkadian Empire; Imperial Ur; Cities in Syria, Anatolia and Susiana.

**Unit 5: Egyptian Civilization (4000 - 1100 BCE)**

Predynastic Egypt, the Archaic Period, the Old Kingdom, the Middle Kingdom, the New Kingdom, Amarna and Akhenaten, Decline of Egypt.

**Unit 6: Political and Social Organizations of the Mature Harappan Civilization (2500- 2050 BCE)**

Near Eastern Kingdoms (2000 – 1200 BCE): Bronze Age Cities in Anatolia, the Emergence of Babylon and the Old Babylonian Period, the Rise of the Hittites, Egypt and Mitanni, the Hittites in Levant and Anatolia, Mesopotamia and Iran; the Near East in the First Millennium BCE: Israelites and Phoenicians; the Assyria Resurgent and the Assyrian Apogee; the Neo-Babylonian Empire; Phrygians and Lydians, the Rise of the Persians.

**Unit 7: The First Aegean Civilizations**

The Aegean Early Bronze Age (3200 – 2100 BCE), Minoan Civilization (2100 – 1450 BCE), Crete and Its Neighbours; Mycenaean Greece (1600 – 1050 BCE); the Postpalatial Greece (1200 – 1050 BCE).

### **Unit 8: The Mediterranean World in the First Millennium (1000- 30 BCE)**

The Recovery of Greece; Phoenicians and Carthaginians; Etruscan Italy; Archaic Greece; the Greek Cities; Classical Greece; the Hellenistic Period; Imperial Rome: the Roman Republic (510 – 31 BCE) and the Early Roman Empire (31 BCE –235 CE).

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<b>HIST452C21B</b>	<b>State, Society and Culture in the Central Islamicate Lands, c. 6<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> Centuries</b>
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### Course Objective:

The objective of the course is to provide an overview of social and political formations and religious and cultural developments in the central Islamic lands from c. 600 TO 1600. It focuses on the rise of Islam, the formation of Muslim communities, and the cultural developments within the Muslim societies. This course aims at teaching students how faith, polity, economy and culture contributed to the evolution of the Islamic civilization in the Perso-Arabic world.

**Learning Outcomes:** At the end of the course students would:

- At the end of the course students would be able to:
- Recount the chronology of the major political formations that impacted the history of the Central Islamic Lands across 600-1300 CE.
- They would be able to contextualise these developments within larger transitions in the religion of Islam and the Shari‘a from its revelation to its scholastic explorations in the ninth and tenth century.
- They would learn how these scholastic traditions and the politics of Empire reoriented an early Arabic exclusiveness to a more inclusive Islamic orientation.
- They would learn how to consider questions relating to ideological and social multiplicities and adherence to scriptural traditions whose histories are sometimes obscured.
- The paper also teaches students some of the great contradictions faced by Muslim jurists – the question of sovereignty and temporal authority in Islam, or the possibilities of continuing interpretation of the Holy Law.
- Debate how subjects pertaining to religion, ideology, culture are not epiphenomenal to material structures that reproduce social formations.

### Course Content:

#### Unit 1: Introduction: Temporal Context and Geographical Setting

Approaches to the history of Islam and Muslim Societies; Arabia before Islam: Geography; Clan, and the Sheikh; Asabiyyah; Beliefs and Religiousness; Arabs and the Semitic Race; Relations with the Neighbouring Regions: The Roman Empire, Byzantine and the Sasanian Empires

#### Unit 2: The Rise of Islam and the Caliphal State

Prophet Muhammad; the Qur’an and Islam; The Early Caliphs (570-661); Conquest, Expansion and the Socio-Economic Bases of Arab-Muslim Imperium; State and Administration; Struggle for Caliphate and Transition to Monarchy

#### Unit 3: State Formations

Political Formations and Territorial Expansions under the Umayyads (661-749) and the Abbasids (750-1258); Clients, Coverts and Communities; From Imperium to Regionalism; Emergence of Sultanates; The Mongol Invasion and the Change in the Central Islamicate Lands

#### Unit 4: Authority and Administration

Caliphate, Imamate and Sultanate; The Ideas of ‘State’: Juristic Theory, Mirror for Princes, the Philosopher-King; State and Administration; Caliph; Vizier; Governor; **Government** Departments; Judicial Institutions; Military Organizations

### Unit 5: Economy and Society

Economic Change; Urban Societies; Rural Life and Economy; Demography and Migration; Trade and Commerce; Industry; Agriculture; Iqta System and Middle Eastern Feudalism; Formation of Social Groups; The City and the Countryside

### Unit 6: Religion, Culture and Society

Normative Islam; Sunni and Shi'i Divisions; Scriptural Interpretations, and Theological Groups; Philosophical Traditions and Spiritual Orders; Interface between State and Religion; Conversion and the Ahl al-Dhimma and Non-Muslim Communities; Intellectual Life: Indian, Persian and Hellenistic Traditions; Scientific and Literary Progress; Language and Literature; Art and Architecture

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- Marshall G. Hodgson, *The Venture of Islam: Conscience and History in a World Civilisation, vol. 1, The Classical Age of Islam*, (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1974)
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- Maya Shatzmiller, "Economic Performance and Economic Growth in the Early Islamic World", *Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient* 54 (2) (2011) pp. 132-184
- Mohammad Habib and Khaliq Ahmad Nizami (eds.), *A Comprehensive History of India: The Delhi Sultanate (A.D. 1206-1526)* (People's Publishing House, 1970 [First Chapter])
- Philip Hitti, *History of the Arabs*, (10th Edition) Palgrave Macmillan, 2002)
- William Montgomery Watt, *Islamic Philosophy and Theology*, Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press, 1985

### Suggested Readings:

- Andrew Rippin and Teresa Bernheimer, *Muslims: Their Religious Beliefs and Practices*, (London and New York: Routledge, 2019)
- Carole Hillenbrand, *Islam A New Historical Introduction*, (London: Thames and Hudson, 2015)
- Chase F. Robinson, *The New Cambridge History of Islam Vol. 1: The Formation of the Islamic World, Sixth to Eleventh Centuries*, Cambridge University Press, 2010
- David O. Morgan and Anthony Reid, *The New Cambridge History of Islam Vol 3, The Eastern World, Eleventh to Eighteenth Centuries*, Cambridge University Press, 2010
- Hugh Kennedy, *Caliphate: The History of an Idea*, (New York: Basic Books, 2016)
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Max. Marks	: 50
Internal Assessment	: 15
End-Sem Exam	: 35
<b>Credits</b>	<b>: 04</b>

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**HIST452C21C Culture and Society in Early Modern South Asia**

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**Course Objective:** This course explores the co-constitution of early modern South Asian culture and society. At one level, it underlines the significance of multiple and differential levels of transregional and translocal interactions in the making of early modern cultures. At another level, it deals with some key themes and issues in social history of literary and visual culture, identities and encounter, patronage and professional practices.

**Learning Outcomes:** At the end of the course students would:

- Understand the complexities pertaining to periodization.
- Familiarize with various aspects of early modern culture and society in context of South Asia.
- Co-relate processes of identity formation through multiple agencies and in multiple sites.
- Examine the formation of multiple cultures.
- Discuss the participation of society in cultural formation through the study of professional groups.

**Course Content:**

**Unit 1:** Early Modern South Asia: Introduction, Circulation, Mobility and Connections; Historiography and Themes

**Unit 2:** Exploring Language, Literature and Society

**Unit 3:** Encounters and Identities

**Unit 4:** Material and Visual Cultures: Imperial Ideologies, Regional Variations and Cultural Exchanges

**Unit 5:** Culture, Patronage and Professionals

**Essential Readings:**

- Bruijn, Thomas De and Allison Busch (eds.), *Culture and circulation: Literature in Motion in Early Modern India*, Leiden: BRILL, 2014
- Bayly, C. A., *Indian Society and the Making of the British Empire*, (The New Cambridge History of India II.1) Cambridge University Press, 1988.
- Orsini, Francesca, *After Taimur Left: Culture and Circulation in Fifteenth Century North India*, Oxford University Press, 2014
- Subrahmanyam, Sanjay, *Explorations in Connected History: From the Tagus to the Ganges*, OUP, 2005

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- B. D. Chattopdhyaya, *Representing the Other?: Sanskrit Sources and the Muslims: Eighth to Fourteenth Century*, Manohar, Delhi, 1998.
- Bonnie C. Wade, *Imaging Sound: An Ethnomusicological Study of Music, Art, and Culture in Mughal India*, Chicago: University of Chicago, 1998.
- Ebba Koch, 'The Baluster Column: A European Motif in Mughal Architecture and Its Meaning', *Journal of the Warburg and Courtauld Institutes*, Vol. 45 (1982), pp. 251-262
- Gauvin Alexander Bailey, 'The Indian Conquest of Catholic Art: The Mughals, the Jesuits and Imperial Mural Painting', *Art Journal*, Vol. 57, No. 1, 1998, pp. 24-30
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- Muzaffar Alam and Sanjay Subrahmanyam, 'The Making of a Munshi', *Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa and the Middle East*, Vol. 24, No. 2, 2004, pp. 61-72.
- Rosalind O'Hanlon, 'The Social World of the Scribes: Brahmins, Kayasthas and the Social Order in Early Modern India', *IESHR*, Vol. 47, No. 4, 2010, pp. 563-595.
- Shantunu Phukan, "'Through Throats where many Rivers Meet': The ecology of Hindi in the World of Persian", *Indian Economic and Social History Review*, Vol. 38(1), 2001, pp. 33-58.
- Tanuja Kothiyal, 'Understanding Change in Medieval India', *EPW*, Vol. - XLV No. 44-45, October 30, 2010

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Internal Assessment	: 15
End-Sem Exam	: 35
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<b>HIST453C22A</b>	<b>Women in Early Indian Society</b>
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### Course Objective:

Women in history have been conspicuous for being relatively less visible than men. This course attempts to construct history from their viewpoint. Gender is used as an analytical category to study gendered relations, understand concepts of masculine and feminine, women's position in society among other in early India. This course covers a period till 12<sup>th</sup>/ 13<sup>th</sup> century CE.

**Learning Outcomes:** At the end of the course students would:

- Understand and study women and gender as important analytical category for study of early India.
- Examine the complexities of society with overlapping relations and processes
- Study women as more active participants in historical processes
- Develop a more balanced picture of early Indian society

### Course Content:

#### Unit 1: Historiography

Understanding women's issue through different historiographical discourses, i.e., colonial, Nationalist, Marxist and recent trends; the intersection of gender with class, caste, generation, as also its spatial and cultural context

#### Unit 2: Locating the 'female voice'

Problems and possibilities, literary and inscriptional sources.

#### Unit 3: The structures of patriarchy and the spaces within

Concept and working of matriliney; Anthropological and Sociological perspectives in historical reconstructions

#### Unit 4: Women in religious traditions

Brahmanical, Buddhist, Jain, Tantric and Bhakti; Women ascetics; Socio-religious movements and women in Virashaiva and Srivaishnava Communities

#### Unit 5: Gender, Household and Sexuality

Marriage, family and households; women and property - the idea of *stridhana*, women as 'property'; in public sphere: as rulers, patrons and livelihood earners;

### Essential Readings:

- Agarwal, Bina, *A Field of One's Own: Gender and Land Rights in South Asia*, CUP, 1994.
- Altekar, A.S., *The Position of Women in Hindu Civilization: From Prehistoric Time to the Present Day*, Motilal Banarsidas, 2016
- Barai, Kumudini, *Role of women in the History of Orissa; From the earliest times to 1568 A.D.*, 1994
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- Leslie, Julia L. (ed.), *Roles and Rituals for Hindu Women*, New Delhi, Motilal Banarsidass, 1996.
- Leslie, Julia L. and Mary McGee (eds.), *Invented Identities: The Interplay of Gender, Ritual and Politics in India*, New Delhi, OUP, 2006.
- Nath, Vijay, *The Puranic World: Environment, Gender, Ritual and Myth*, Manohar Publishers and Distributors, 2009.
- Orr, Leslie, *Donors Devotees and Daughters of the God: Temple Women in Medieval Tamilnadu (South Asia Research)*, OUP, USA, 2000
- Patton, Laurie (ed.), *Jewels of Authority: Women and Textual Tradition in Hindu India*, New Delhi, OUP, 2002.
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- Shah, Shalini, *Love, Eroticism and Female Sexuality in the Classical Sanskrit Literature: Seventh – Thirteenth Centuries*, Manohar, 2010.
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- Tyagi, A.K., *Women Workers in Ancient India*, New Delhi, 1994.
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**HIST453C22B SCIENTIFIC AND MEDICAL TRADITIONS: 7<sup>TH</sup> TO 18<sup>TH</sup> CENTURIES**

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**Unit 1: Introduction**

(a) Prefatory Comments on Science, Arts and Humanities (b) Science, Philosophy and Religion; Science and Technology (c) Science and Non-Science; Medicine, Health and Healing

**Unit 2: Historiography: Old & New**

(a) Orientalist, Nationalist and Post-Colonial Scholarship and its Critiques (b) Sciences and Pseudo-Sciences (e.g. Astronomy vs. Astrology) (c) Locality and Universality; Connected History of Science (d) Rediscovery of 'Indian Sciences

**Unit 3: Strands and Boundaries of the 'Sciences' in Ancient and Early Medieval Times**

(a) Hierarchy of the 'Sciences', Objectivity and Subjectivity; (b) Observation, Perception, *pramanai* in Indian Philosophical and 'Scientific' Traditions; (c) Medicine, Health, and Hygiene (d) Theories of *vijnana* (consciousness/ life force/ mind); (e) Mathematics, Astronomy, Astrology and Alchemy (f) Rediscovery of Charaka & Susruta; Idea of health, Hygiene, Diet, and Healing; Yoga

**Unit 4: Strands and Boundaries of the 'Sciences' in Medieval and Early Modern Times**

(a) Languages of Science; Sciences between Sanskrit and Persian (b) Hierarchy of the 'Sciences', (Ma'qulat and Manqulat) (c) Innovation; Novelty and Authorship (c) Mathematics, Astronomy, and Alchemy (d) Health and Hygiene; Unani Tibb and Ayurveda

**Unit 5: 'Scientific' Communities, Network and Patronage**

(a) Transregional Processes and Networks (b) Knowledge Systems in Pre-Colonial Times; Knowledge in Circulation (c) Jyotishis; Vaidyas; Nujumis; Tabibs (d) Scientific Institutions and State Patronage

**Essential Readings:**

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- Kapil Raj, "Beyond Postcolonialism.... and Postpositivism: Circulation and the Global History of Science", *Isis*, Vol. 104, No. 2 (June 2013), pp. 337-347.
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**HIST453C22C A History of Small Communities of Foreign Origin in Colonial India**

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### Course Objective

During the British rule in India, small religious and ethnic minorities, like the **Parsis** (Zoroastrians) and **Baghdadi Jews** emerged as intermediaries between the British rulers and the Indian subjects, being more successful in being accepted into this role than the **Armenians**, the **Greeks** and the **Chinese**, who also sought to work with the British. Free from any reservations in traveling overseas and in interacting with other communities and nationalities, unlike the Hindus, whose flexibility to have commerce with foreigners was hampered by the taboos of caste and creed, the Parsis and the Baghdadi Jews made great fortunes by trading in cotton and opium and went on to build widespread trading networks across Asia, with major centres in Hong Kong, Macao, Shanghai and Singapore. They competed with each other in doing so. They completely Anglicised themselves and came to be particularly favoured by the British, who did not feel threatened by them because of their numerical insignificance, and thus patronized them to transform them into their loyalists. However, the end of the British rule in India also brought an end to the preferential treatment they had received from the state; and they either left India, as most of the Baghdadis, Armenians and Greeks did, or had to reinvent themselves accordingly for their survival in India, as most of the Parsis did. A product of the intermarriages during the colonial period was the Anglo-Indian community. Besides tracing their history, the course explores their relations with each other and their attitudes towards India and the Indian attitudes towards them. It also examines how these communities fared in reinventing themselves after the end of the British rule in India.

**Learning Outcomes:** Upon the successful completion of this course, students will:

- Differentiate between important concepts and theories pertaining to prejudice and discrimination and the coloniser and the colonised and demonstrate their ability to employ critical thinking about them by writing and discussing about these terms and other information associated with them.
- Analyse the social constructs of minority/majority status, gender, race, and ethnicity, particularly in connection with the various micro-minority groups studied within this class.
- Analyse and compare the developmental and social histories, structural conditions, socio-political dynamics, culture, demographics, and experiences of the micro-minorities in India under study in the present course, their interactions with each other and with the larger Indian population and the challenges confronting them in a diverse multicultural society.
- Examine the various aspects of memory, belonging, and identity.
- Investigate the spatial politics of home in social, political and cultural context.

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**Unit 1:** Anglo-Indians

**Unit 2:** Armenians

**Unit 3:** Baghdadi Jews

**Unit 4:** Chinese

**Unit 5:** Greeks

**Unit 6:** Parsis

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Max. Marks	: 50
Internal Assessment	: 25
End-Sem Exam	: 25
<b>Credits</b>	<b>: 08</b>

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**HIST491C23** **Dissertation Part 2**

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**Course Objective:**

The purpose of the dissertation is for students to demonstrate the skills they have acquired through their courses and apply them to producing original research of their own. The dissertation is expected to be major piece of guided independent research on a topic agreed between the student and their supervisor. The dissertation must display wide reading and understanding and it should include critical analysis and/or appropriate use of advanced research techniques.

**Learning Outcomes:** Upon successful completion, students will have the knowledge and skills to:

1. plan and engage in a sustained critical investigation of a chosen research topic
2. draw appropriate conclusions by identifying relevant theory/ies and concept(s) and relating them to appropriate methodologies and techniques.
3. engage in systematic exploration and critical study of appropriate and relevant information sources
4. articulate research concepts and contexts effectively and clearly without any ambiguity

**Teaching Learning Process:**

Teaching learning process will involve regular academic discussions on key concepts and themes, theorization, contextualization, and critical analysis. It will also encourage reading and analysis of important primary and secondary sources.

**Assessment Methods:**

The dissertation will be evaluated on a scale of 50 marks. The assessment would involve the following process:

- In order to be eligible for their dissertation to be examined/assessed, every student must have fulfilled a minimum 75% attendance in the weekly supervision meetings indicated in the department time-table.
- All written assignments (typed) submitted for evaluation will be subjected to a plagiarism check either through a standard plagiarism software or through other means and the standard plagiarism policy of the department will apply.
- After the final submission of the dissertation, the department will generate an Urkund/TurnItIn report on similarities/plagiarism. This report will be forwarded to the concerned Supervisor(s), the Dissertation Coordinator and the Dissertation Committee.
- Plagiarism detected, beyond this report, by the Supervisor or the Dissertation Committee through means other than the above-mentioned plagiarism software programmes will be subjected to the same penalties as prescribed by the department's policy.
- With regard to the written assignment the supervisor will be responsible for awarding 50% of the total marks for each submitted written assignment (i.e. she/he will provide a mark out of a total of 25 marks).
- The remaining 50% of the marks (i.e. a mark out of the remaining total of 25 marks) will be awarded by the Dissertation Committee following an oral examination of the student's work.
- Therefore, in addition to submitting their written work, each student will be required to participate in an oral examination by the department's Dissertation Committee.

- The duration of the oral examination of the dissertation will be approximately 20 minutes. The purpose of this exercise is to train students to present lucidly the main findings of their research, defend their thesis, and to hone their skills of oral argumentation. These form an important objective of the Department of History's pedagogical programme. As part of the presentation, the student may use audio-visual aids (such as PowerPoint or other applications).
- In the course of the oral examination, the Dissertation Committee members may require revisions to the dissertation; these must be made by the student within the time indicated by the Committee.
- The Dissertation Committee will consist of two faculty members of the Department of History, one faculty member from another department nominated by the Head of Department, and the Department of History's Dissertation Coordinator. To prevent any conflict of interest, the Head of Department will substitute for any one of the three members of the Committee from the Department of History whose supervisees may be appearing for the oral examination.

Oral Examination: 25 marks

Final Dissertation (written assignment): 25 marks

Total: 50 Marks

**Keywords:** Sources, primary sources, secondary sources, archives, research ethics, critical approach, research, contextualization, theorization, analysis

Max. Marks	: 50
Internal Assessment	: 15
End-Sem Exam	: 35
<b>Credits</b>	<b>: 04</b>

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<b>HIST455MC06</b>	<b>Research and Publication Ethics</b>
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### **Course description**

This course has total 6 units focusing on basics of philosophy of science and ethics, research integrity, publication ethics. Hands-on-sessions are designed to identify research misconduct and predatory publications. Indexing and citation databases, open access publications, research metrics (citations, h-index, Impact Factor, etc.) and plagiarism tools will be introduced in this course.

### **Unit 01: Philosophy and Ethics**

1. Introduction to philosophy: definition, nature and scope, concept, branches
2. Ethics: definition, moral philosophy, nature of moral judgments and reactions

### **Unit 02: Scientific Conduct**

1. Ethics with respect to science and research
2. Intellectual honesty and research integrity
3. Scientific misconducts: Falsification, Fabrication, and Plagiarism (FFP)
4. Redundant publications: duplicate and overlapping publications, salami slicing
5. Selective reporting and misrepresentation of data

### **Unit 03: Publication Ethics**

1. Publication ethics: definition, introduction and importance
2. Best practices / standards setting initiatives and guidelines: COPE, WAME, etc.
3. Conflicts of interest
4. Publication misconduct: definition, concept, problems that lead to unethical behavior and vice versa, types
5. Violation of publication ethics, authorship and contributorship
6. Identification of publication misconduct, complaints and appeals
7. Predatory publishers and journals

### **Unit 04: Open Access Publishing**

1. Open access publications and initiatives

2. SHERPA/ROMEO online resource to check publisher copyright & self-archiving policies
3. Software tool to identify predatory publications developed by SPPU
4. Journal finder/ journal suggestion tools viz. JANE, Elsevier Journal Finder, Springer Journal Suggester, etc.

## Unit 05: Publication Misconduct

### A. Group Discussions

1. Subject specific ethical issues, FFP, authorship
2. Conflicts of interest
3. Complaints and appeals: examples and fraud from India and abroad

### B. Software tools

Use of plagiarism software like Turnitin, Urkund and other open source software tools

## Unit 06: Databases and Research Metrics

### A. Databases

1. Indexing databases
2. Citation databases: Web of Science, Scopus, etc.

### B. Research Metrics

1. Impact Factor of journal as per Journal Citation Report, SNIP, SJR, IPP, Cite Score
2. Metrics: h-index, g index, i10 index, altmetrics

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