



## **COURSE OUTLINE**

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### **1. Instructor Information**

- (a) Instructor: Helen Lansdowne
- (b) Office hours: Monday and Thursday - 2:30-3:20, Tuesday – 5:00-6:00
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### **2. Intended Learning Outcomes**

The course will familiarize you with the evolution of the Asia-Pacific civilizations. As well, you will be able to assess the basic principles, evolution and spread of the major religions in pre-modern Asia-Pacific. You will be able to analyze the divergent political ideas and systems in the context of the Asia-Pacific civilizations. You will be able to describe the patterns of migration, cultural diffusion, and economic exchange in pre-modern Asia-Pacific.

### **3. Required Materials**

Murphey, Rhoads *A History of Asia* (Custom Edition for Camosun College) New York: Pearson Longman, 2006.

There will be additional articles assigned for this course. All additional required readings will be available on **Reserve** in the library.

### **4. Course Content and Schedule**

**September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2008**

**INTRODUCTION: The Asia-Pacific Region**

**September 4, 2007**

**Library Tour**

**Readings: Rhoads Murphey. *A History of Asia*, Introduction (pp. 1-9)**

**September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

**Overview of Asia**

**Mary Somers Heidhues. *Southeast Asia A Concise History*, Introduction and Chapter One (On Reserve)**

September 11, 2008  
Religions of the Region  
Readings: Rhoads Murphey. *A History of Asia*, Chapter Two.

September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2008  
Religions of the Region continued  
Readings: Karen Armstrong, *Islam A Short History*. New York: Modern Library, pp. 3-23  
(On Reserve)

September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2008  
Traditional Societies in East Asia  
Readings: Rhoads Murphey, *A History of Asia*. Chapter Three

September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2008  
Southeast Asian Society  
Reading: Rhoads Murphey. *A History of Asia*. Chapter Seven

September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2008  
Trade in Asia  
Reading: Anthony Reid, *Southeast Asia in the Age of Commerce 1450-1680 Volume Two*.  
London: Yale University Press, 1988. (On Reserve)

September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2007  
Test One

October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2008  
Korean Society  
Reading: Ebrey et al, *Modern East Asia*, Chapter 18 (On Reserve)

October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2008  
West Arrives in Asia  
Reading: Rhoads Murphey, *A History of Asia*. Chapter 12

October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2008  
Manchu China  
Readings: Rhoads Murphey, *A History of Asia*. Chapter 13

October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2008  
Tokugawa Japan  
Reading: Rhoads Murphey, *A History of Asia*. Chapter 13

October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2007  
Age of Imperialism  
Reading: Rhoads Murphey, *A History of Asia*. Chapter 15

October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2007  
Age of Imperialism continued  
Reading: Milton Osborne, "The Years of Illusion" Chapter 8 (On Reserve)

October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2008  
Age of Imperialism continued  
Reading: TBA

October 28th, 2008  
Cultural Clashes  
Movie: "Shadow Magic"

**October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2008**  
**TEST TWO**

**November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2008**  
**Age of Nationalism**  
**Reading: Rhoads Murphey, *A History of Asia*. Chapter 16**

**November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2008**  
**Japan Rises**  
**Reading: Fairbank and Reischauer, “Modernization in Meiji Japan” (On Reserve)**

**November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2008**  
**Remembrance Day Holiday**

**November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2008**  
**The Struggle for Southeast Asia**  
**Reading: Swan, William, “Japan's intentions for its Greater East Asia co-prosperity sphere as indicated in its policy plans for Thailand” (On Reserve)**

**November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2008**  
**The Struggle for Southeast Asia**  
**Movie: *From the Barrel of a Gun***

**November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2008**  
**Nationalism and Communism in China**  
**Reading: Godement, Francois, “Chapter 2 : nationalism and communism (1900-41)” (On Reserve)**

**November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2008**  
**Second World War In Asia**  
**Reading: Rhoads Murphey, *A History of Asia*. Chapter 17**

**November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2008**  
**Review Class**

**December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2008**  
**In-Class Test Three**

## **5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)**

(a) Term Paper – 25%

A research essay on one of the assigned topics must be completed. Requirements for the term paper will be specified on a separate handout. The sheet will provide further information on the research essay along with the list of topics. You may not submit the same paper for two different classes at Camosun. Joint papers for two classes are acceptable only with prior approval of both instructors. Work submitted must be your own. Plagiarism may result in a zero for the assignment.

(b) Test One – 25%

(c) Test Two – 25%

(d) Test Three – 20%

(e) Attendance – 5%

## 6. Grading System

Percentage	Grade	Description	Grade Point Equivalency
90-100	A+		9
85-89	A		8
80-84	A-		7
77-79	B+		6
73-76	B		5
70-72	B-		4
65-69	C+		3
60-64	C		2
50-59	D	Minimum level of achievement for which credit is granted; a course with a "D" grade cannot be used as a prerequisite.	1
0-49	F	Minimum level has not been achieved.	0

## 7. Recommended Materials or Services to Assist Students to Succeed Throughout the Course

### LEARNING SUPPORT AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

There are a variety of services available for students to assist them throughout their learning. This information is available in the College Calendar, Registrar's Office or the College web site at <http://www.camosun.bc.ca>

### ACADEMIC CONDUCT POLICY

There is an Academic Conduct Policy **which includes plagiarism**. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of this policy. The policy is available in each School Administration Office, Registration, and on the College web site in the Policy Section.

[www.camosun.bc.ca/divisions/pres/policy/2-education/2-5.html](http://www.camosun.bc.ca/divisions/pres/policy/2-education/2-5.html)