

THE INTERLOCKING OF HISTORIES:
INNER ASIA, 1200 TO THE PRESENT

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Lecture Schedule:

1. M. Sept. 22: Introduction: A little geography of a divided world.
2. W. Sept. 24: Inner Asia on the eve of the Mongolian explosion.
3. F. Sept. 26: Nomads, mountains, and oases (SLIDES).
4. M. Sept. 29: Central Asia: The Buddhist background.
5. W. Oct. 1: Central Asia: The Islamic background.
6. F. Oct. 3: "Mecca the Forbidden City" (FILM). SECTIONS ASSIGNED.
7. M. Oct. 6: Art and architecture across Asia (SLIDES). Ms. Nancy Shatzman, (Fine Arts).
8. W. Oct. 8: Nomads and sedentaries in pre-Mongolian Eurasia.
9. W. Oct. 15: Chinggis Khan and the Mongols' so-called "empire".
10. F. Oct. 17: "Grass" (FILM).
11. M. Oct. 20: Growth or disintegration: The Mongols' dilemma.
12. W. Oct. 22: Separation and reintegration: The Tamerlane synthesis.
13. F. Oct. 24: The Timurid "empire".
14. M. Oct. 27: India: Seven centuries of Central Asian influence. MAPS DUE.
15. W. Oct. 29: Muscovy: Child of the Golden Horde.
16. F. Oct. 31: The importance of boats: What shipping did not do to the caravan.
17. M. Nov. 3: Tibet: Reds and Yellows in the Land of Snows.
18. W. Nov. 5: Reformers, missionaries, transformation of the nomads.
19. F. Nov. 7: Rise of the Manchu (Ch'ing) empire: Hunter-gatherer's revenge.
20. M. Nov. 10: HOUR EXAMINATION
21. W. Nov. 12: Central Asia under the Uzbeks.
22. F. Nov. 14: The Zunghars: Nomadism's last stand (on settled legs).
23. M. Nov. 17: Ch'ing expansion: Origins of the Sino-Russian divide.
24. W. Nov. 19: Muslim decline and revivalism in the 18th century.
25. F. Nov. 21: Sino-Russian relations in the 19th century.
26. M. Nov. 24: Resurgence and defeat: The Muslims overpowered.
27. W. Nov. 26: Anglo-Russian rivalry across Asia and the emergence of Afghanistan.
28. M. Dec. 1: Dawn of the 20th century: New hardware and new identities.
29. W. Dec. 3: Republic of China on non-Chinese terrain.
30. F. Dec. 5: Russia's revolutions in Asia.
31. M. Dec. 8: Enter Japan: Mongolian revolution and Inner Asian nationalism.
32. W. Dec. 10: Soviet Central Asia and its southern fringe.
33. M. Dec. 15: Chinese Inner Asia in the Communist period.
34. W. Dec. 17: Inner Asia: Significance of the past, and the imaginable future

Required Reading List (all assigned reading is drawn from the following books):

- J.J. Saunders, The History of the Mongol Conquests (London: Routledge and Kegan Paul, 1971).
- Morris Rossabi, China and Inner Asia from 1368 to the Present Day (London: Thames and Hudson, 1975).
- Immanuel Wallerstein, The Modern World-System: Capitalist Agriculture and the Origins of the European World-Economy in the Sixteenth Century (New York: Academic, 1974).
- B. Spuler, "Central Asia from the Sixteenth Century to the Russian Conquests", in The Cambridge History of Islam, Vol. 1 (London: Cambridge UP, 1970), pp. 468-494.
- Seymour Becker, Russia's Protectorates in Central Asia: Bukhara and Khiva, 1865-1924 (Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard UP, 1968).

Recommended Readings:

The Mongols and Nomadism

- C.R. Bawden, The Modern History of Mongolia (New York: Praeger, 1968).
- W.A. Brown, and U. Onon, trs. and annots., The History of the Mongolian People's Republic: The Contemporary Period (Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard UP, 1975).
- J.W. Dardess, Conquerors and Confucians: Aspects of Political Change in Late Yüan China (New York: Columbia UP, 1973).
- L. Krader, Social Organization of the Mongol-Turkic Pastoral Nomads (Indiana University Publications; Uralic and Altaic Series, Vol. 20; Bloomington: Indiana University, 1963).
- O. Lattimore, Nomads and Commissars: Mongolia Revisited (New York: Oxford UP, 1962).
- G.G.S. Murphy, Soviet Mongolia: A Study of the Oldest Political Satellite (Berkeley and Los Angeles: U of California P, 1966).
- I. deRachewiltz, Papal Envoys to the Great Khans (Stanford: Stanford UP, 1971).
- D. Sinor, History of Hungary (London: Allen and Unwin, 1959), Chapter 8: "Béla IV and the Mongol Invasion", pp. 65-78.
- G. Vernadsky, The Mongols and Russia (A History of Russia, Vol. 3; New Haven: Yale UP, 1953).

Central Asia and Islam

- G.J. Alder, British India's Northern Frontier 1865-95: A Study in Imperial Policy (London: Longmans, 1963).
- E. Allworth, ed., The Nationality Question in Soviet Central Asia (New York: Praeger, 1973).
- _____, ed., Central Asia: A Century of Russian Rule (New York: Columbia UP, 1967).
- A. Bennigsen and C. Lemercier-Quelquejay, Islam in the Soviet Union (New York: Praeger, 1967).
- G.J. Demko, The Russian Colonization of Kazakhstan 1896-1916 (Indiana University Publications, Uralic and Altaic Series, Vol. 99; Bloomington: Indiana University, 1969).

- M. Elphinstone, An Account of the Kingdom of Caubul 2 vols., reprint (Karachi: Oxford UP, 1972).
- R.N. Frye, Bukhara: The Medieval Achievement (Norman: U of Oklahoma P, 1965).
- V. Gregorian, The Emergence of Modern Afghanistan: Politics of Reform and Modernization, 1880-1946 (Stanford: Stanford UP, 1969).
- H. Hookham, Tamburlaine the Conqueror (London: Hodder and Stoughton, 1962).
- O. Lattimore et al., Pivot of Asia: Sinkiang and the Inner Asian Frontiers of China and Russia (Boston: Little, Brown, 1950).
- J.A. Norris, The First Afghan War 1838-1842 (London: Cambridge UP, 1967).
- R.A. Pierce, Russian Central Asia 1867-1917: A Study in Colonial Rule (Berkeley and Los Angeles: U of California P, 1960).
- R. Pipes, The Formation of the Soviet Union: Communism and Nationalism 1917-1923 (Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard UP, 1957).
- C.P. Skrine and P. Nightingale, Macartney at Kashgar: New Light on British, Chinese and Russian Activities in Sinkiang, 1890-1918 (London: Methuen, 1973).
- G. Wheeler, The Modern History of Soviet Central Asia (New York: Praeger, 1964).
- A.S. Whiting and Sheng Shih-ts'ai, Sinkiang: Pawn or Pivot? (East Lansing: Michigan State UP, 1958).

Tibet and the Himalayas

- P. Carrasco, Land and Polity in Tibet (Seattle: U of Washington P, 1959).
- A. Lamb, Britain and Chinese Central Asia: The Road to Lhasa 1767 to 1905 (London: Routledge and Kegan Paul, 1960).
- H.E. Richardson, A Short History of Tibet or Tibet and Its History (New York: Dutton, 1962).
- L.E. Rose, Nepal: Strategy for Survival (Berkeley and Los Angeles: U of California P, 1971).
- W.D. Shakabpa, Tibet: A Political History (New Haven: Yale UP, 1967).
- D. Snellgrove and H. Richardson, A Cultural History of Tibet (London: Weidenfeld and Nicolson, 1968).
- R.A. Stein, Tibetan Civilization (Stanford: Stanford UP, 1972).
- G. Tucci, Tibet Land of Snows, tr. J.E. Stapleton Driver (New York: Stein and Day, 1967).

China, Russia, and Inner Asia

- O. E. Clubb, China and Russia: The "Great Game" (New York: Columbia UP, 1971).
- M. Edwardes, East-West Passage: The Travel of Ideas, Arts and Inventions between Asia and the Western World (New York: Taplinger, 1971).
- C.M. Foust, Muscovite and Mandarin: Russia's Trade with China and Its Setting, 1727-1805 (Chapel Hill: U of North Carolina P, 1969).
- R. Grousset, The Empire of the Steppes: A History of Central Asia (New Brunswick: Rutgers UP, 1970).
- G. Hambly, ed., Central Asia (London: Weidenfeld and Nicolson, 1969).
- J.A. Harrison, The Founding of the Russian Empire in Asia and America (Coral Gables: U of Miami P, 1971).
- O. Lattimore, Inner Asian Frontiers of China, 2nd ed. (Boston: Beacon, 1962).
- R.H.G. Lee, The Manchurian Frontier in Ch'ing History (Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard UP, 1970).

- M. Mancall, Russia and China: Their Diplomatic Relations to 1728 (Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard UP, 1971).
- F. Michael, The Origin of Manchu Rule in China: Frontier and Bureaucracy as Interacting Forces in the Chinese Empire (Baltimore: The Johns Hopkins P, 1942; reprinted New York: Octagon, 1965).
- D.C. Price, Russia and the Roots of the Chinese Revolution, 1896-1911 (Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard UP, 1974).
- R.K.I. Quested, The Expansion of Russia in East Asia 1857-1860 (Kuala Lumpur and Singapore: U of Malaya p, 1968).