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DEPARTMENT OF INDIGENOUS LEARNING

2312 - Native Peoples and the North, 2010 Winter Session

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course is a combination lecture/discussion course which offers students an overview of the northern experience of Aboriginal Peoples. Although the course will focus on the Canadian north, an attempt will be made to place the northern experience of Aboriginal Peoples into the context of the circumpolar north. Subject matter discussed will range from the traditions of the northern community through to the more contemporary issues associated with self- government. Specific topics of discussion will include shelter and shelter form, whaling, waged employment, Arctic Co-ops and climate change.

READING ASSIGNMENTS

While there is no assigned textbook for the course, students are encouraged to selectively read materials from the recommended textbook list. As well, students are expected to follow the readings as indicated on the course outline.

SEMINAR CLASS

Approximately forty-five minutes of Wednesday's classroom period will be devoted to seminar discussion. Students are responsible for the seminar readings and each student is expected to contribute to the discussion.

COMMUNITY PROFILE

Selecting a community from the "Territorial Community List", students will prepare and submit a 1,000 word community profile. The community profile will document the a) history, b) the demographics, c) infrastructure, d) economy/activities and, e) contemporary issues of the community. During the week of February 22 - February 26 students will orally present their community profile to the class. Students will also provide classmates with a one page summary of their findings. Community profiles are due Wednesday, February 24, 2010.

ESSAYS

An essay of approximately 2,000 words is required. Students will prepare a formal essay, complete with footnote and bibliographic references on a topic of their choosing. Students, however, are expected to consult with the instructor about their essay topic prior to commencing the project. Essays are due Wednesday, March 3, 2010.

FINAL EXAMINATION

A final examination of approximately three hours duration is scheduled for the end of the term.

EVALUATION

Discussion	20%
Community Profile - Written	20%
Community Profile - Oral	10%
Essay	25%
Final Examination	<u>25%</u>
	100%

OUTLINE

Week I - January 4 - January 8

Lecture - Introduction

Week II - January 11 - January 15

Lecture - The Canadian North

Seminar - The Canadian North

J. B. Bird, "The Physical Characteristics of Northern Canada" in W. Wonders (ed) The North .

L.- E. Hamelin, Canadian Nordicity: Its Your North .

B. Hodgins and J. Bendickson, "The Meaning of the North in Canada", Alternatives, V. 2, N. 3 (Spring 1973).

B.G. Sivertz, "The North As A Region" in Resources for Tomorrow .

P. Usher, "The North: Metropolitan Frontier, Native Homeland" in L.D. McCann (ed) Heartland and Hinterland .

Week III - January 18 - January 22

Lecture - The Arctic

Seminar - The Arctic

K.J. Crowe, A History of the Original Peoples of Northern Canada.

R. Fossett, **Order to Live Untroubled Lives**

D. Jenness, The People of Twilight

M. Maxwell, Eastern Arctic Prehistory

R. McGhee, Canadian Arctic Prehistory

R. Vaughan, Arctic: A History

Week IV - January 25 - January 29

Lecture - The Subarctic

Seminar - The Subarctic

J. Helms and E. Leacock, "The Hunting Tribes of Subarctic Canada" in E. Leacock and N. Lurie (eds) North American Indians in Historical Perspective.

D. Jenness, The Indians of Canada.

D. Mandelbaum, The Plains Cree

C. Martin, "Subarctic Indians and Wildlife" in C. Judd and A.J. Ray (eds) Old Trails and New Directions. D. Russell, Eighteenth Century Western Cree.

Week V - February 1 - February 5

Lecture - European Intrusion: Contact and Conflict

Seminar - European Intrusion: Contact and Conflict

A.G. Bailey, The Conflict of European And Eastern Algonkian Cultures.

R. Fisher, Contact and Conflict.

J. Helm et. al. "The Contact History of the Subarctic Athabaskans" in A.M. Clark (ed) Proceedings: NorthAthabaskan Conference.
S. Krech, "Throwing Bad Medicine" in S. Krech (ed) Indians, Animals and the Fur Trade.
D.W. Zimmerly, Cains Land Revisited.

Week VI - February 8 - February 12

Lecture - Staples and the Market Economy

Seminar - Staples and the Market Economy

C. Bishop, "Ojibwa, Cree and the Hudson's Bay Company in Northern Ontario" in A.W. Rasporich (ed) Western Canada.

D. Francis and T. Morantz, Partners in Fur.

A.B. Lubbock, The Arctic Whalers.

A.J. Ray and D. Freeman, Give Us Good Measure.

P. Thistle, Indian European Trade Patterns.

Week VII - February 22 - February 26

Lecture - Community Profile Presentations

Seminar - Community Profile Presentations

Week VIII - March 1 - March 5

Lecture - The Forests

Seminar - The Forests

F. Cassidy and N. Dale, After Native Claims.

T. Holzkamm and L. Walsberg, These Indians are All Good Axemen.

D. Hudson, "Traplines and Timber", Ph.D. Thesis, University of Alberta, 1983.

M. Mactavish, Review of Indian Forest Management and Development.

W. Sinclair (ed) Native Self-Reliance.

Week IX - March 8 - March 12

Lecture - The Earth

Seminar - The Earth

T. Berger, Northern Frontier, Northern Homeland.

M. Goldstick, Wollaston.

J. Harding, "Indigenous Rights and Uranium Mining in Northern Saskatchewan" in W. Churchill (ed) Critical Issues in Native North America.

C.W. Hobart, "Community Work in the Canadian North: Some Effects on Native Peoples", Proceedings: Conference on Commuting and Northern Development.

G. Kuper and C. Hobart, "Impact of Oil Exploitation Work on an Inuit Community", Arctic Anthropology, 15, 1978.

R. McPherson, New Owners in Their Own Land.

Week X - March 15 - March 19

Lecture - The Water

Seminar - The Water

B. Phillips, "Water Diversion and Water Level Control", in M. Johnson (ed) Geographic Perspectives on the Provincial Norths.

B. Richardson, James Bay: the Plot to Drown the North Woods.

S. Vincent and G. Bowers (eds) James Bay and Northern Quebec: Ten Years After.

J. Waldram, As Long as the Sun Shines and Rivers Run.

"The Water Plot: Hydrological Rape in Northern Canada" in W. Churchill (ed) Critical Issues in Native America.

Week XI - March 22 - March 26

Lecture - The "New" North

Seminar - The "New" North

M. Asch, "The Economics of Dene Self-Determination" in D. Turner and G. Smith (eds) Challenging Anthropology.

G. Dacks, A Choice of Futures.

J. Flynn, "The Development of Autonomy in The NWT", Musk-Ox, 1975.

J. Merritt et. al. Nunavut.

R. Page, Northern Development.

M. Watkins (ed) Dene Nation - The Colony Within.

Week XII - March 29 - April 2

Lecture - Contemporary Issues - Climate Change

Seminar - Contemporary Issues - Climate Change

F. Berkes and D. Jolly, "Adapting to Climate Change", Conservation Ecology, V. 5, N. 2 (2001)

T. Fenge, "the Inuit and Climate Change", Isuma Winter, 2001.

J. Ford and B. Smit, "A Framework fo Assessing the Vulnerability of Communities in the Canada Arctic", Arctic, V. 57, N. 4 (2004).

S. Fox "These are the Things that Are Really Happening", in I. Krupnik and D. Jolly (eds) The Earth is Faster Now.

Unikkaaqatigitt: Putting the Human Face on Climate Change.

RECOMMENDED TEXT BOOK LIST

T. Berger, Northern Frontiers, Northern Homeland

R. Bone, The Geography of the Canadian North

H. Brody, The People's Land

Changing Times, Challenging Agendas

K. Coates and W. Morrison (eds) The Forgotten North

_____ and J. Powell, The Modern North

_____ and J. Taylor (eds) Indigenous Peoples in Remote Regions

R. Diubado, The Government of Canada and the Inuit

G. Dosman, The National Interest

S. Grant, Sovereignty or Security

J.D. Hamilton, Arctic Revolution

M. Johnston (ed) Geographic Perspective of the Provincial North

R. Keith and A. Saunders (eds) A Question of Rights

J.R. Lotz, Northern Realities

W. Morrison, A Survey of the History and Claims of the Native Peoples of Northern Canada

R. Page, Northern Development

D. Raunet, Without Surrender, Without Consent

K.J. Rea, The Political Economy of Northern Development

W. Wonder (ed) The North

J. Woodford, The Violated Vision