

Lecture

re No	Date	Topic	Points to Cover	Readings
1	29-Jul-19	Introduction to Course	Outline of course, assessment schedule, plagiarism	Arthur Conan Doyle: Sign of Four
2	01-Aug-19	Memory, Past, History	Explore and Explain the relationships	Robert Darnton: Peasants Tell Tales- The Meaning of Mother Goose, Romila Thapar: The Many Narratives of Somnatha.
3	05-Aug-19	Space-Time of History	How Space and Time each cannot be understood without the other	Jacques Le Goff: Merchant's Time and Church's Time in the Middle Ages
4	08-Aug-19	Changing conceptions of Time	Development of the Modern idea of Time and how it undergirds the idea of History	E.P. Thompson: Time, Work-Discipline, and Industrial Capitalism
5	19-Aug-19	Rankean History	The importance of fact; objectivity; neutrality of the historian; universal history	
6	22-Aug-19	Whig History and Examples	History as Progress. Eurocentric History. Examples of such history writing highlighting their insights	Herbert Butterfield: Whig Interpretation of History.
7	26-Aug-19	Marxist Historiography	Deductive; Aristotelian - Hegelian legacy; Dialectics, Materialism,	Aniket Alam: Marxist Historiography (Note)
8	29-Aug-19	Marxist Historiography	Idea of Labour; Surplus; Class struggle as motor of history; Base-Superstructure; Structure Agency; Historical Inevitability	Karl Marx: Communist Manifesto, Chapter 1. Karl Marx: "British Rule in India, 10 June 1853", OR Karl Marx: "Future Results of British Rule in India, 22 July 1853"
9	03-Sep-19	Marxist Historiography	Examples of Marxist History writing, highlighting their insights	D D Kosambi: "Social and Economic Aspects of the Bhagvad Gita"; Irfan Habib: "Potentialities of Capitalist Development in the Economy of Mughal India";
10	05-Sep-19	Annales Historiography	Inductive. Total History; New Sources; Comparative History; Quantitative History.	Emmanuel le Roy Ladurie: The History of Rain and Fine Weather; Jean Meuvret: Food Crises and Demography in France during the Ancien Regime;

11	09-Sep-19	Annales Historiography	Geography and History; Different Rhythms of Time; Mentalite and Sensibility	Fernand Braudel: History and the Social Sciences - The Longue Duree; Lucien Febvre: Sensibility and History: How to Reconstitute the Emotional Life of the Past;
12	12-Sep-19	Annales Historiography	Examples of Annales History writing, highlighting their insights	Philippe Aries: Pictures of the Family; Maurice Aymard: The Cost of War.
13	16-Sep-19	Buffer class	Revisions and catching up on topics; Annoucement of Project Topic	

Mid Semester Exams

14	26-Sep-19	Structuralism	Basic Idea; Ferdinand Saussure: Signs, Signifier-Signified, Arbitrariness; Claude Levi-Strauss: Binary Grammar of society, Mythology, Gift.	Lecture Notes. Readings related to project
15	30-Sep-19	Post-Structuralism	Linguistic Turn; Death of the Author; Discourse; De-centering Knowledge	Lecture Notes. Readings related to project
16	07-Oct-19	Post-Modernism	Questioning Claims of Modernity; Will to Power; Panopticon and Gaze; Knowledge-Power Grid	Lecture Notes. Readings related to project
17	10-Oct-19	Post-Colonialism	Colonialism as Epistemic Violence, Reversing the Gaze; Frantz Fanon and Negritude; Edward Said, Orientalism	Edward Said: Orientalism, Introduction; Frantz Fanon: Black Skin, White Masks, Introduction; Bernard Cohn: The Command of Language and the Language of Command. Readings related to project
18	14-Oct-19	Subaltern Studies	Hegemony; History from Below; Against the Grain; Recovering the Lost Voice in History.	Ranajit Guha: On Some Aspects of the Historiography of Colonial India; Ranajit Guha: The Prose of Counter-Insurgency. Readings related to project
19	17-Oct-19	New Histories	Black, Feminist, Caste, Indigenous History	Ambedkar, Who were the Shudras?;
20	21-Oct-19	Environmental History and Anthropocentrism	Human past as subset of natural history; Decentering Human Beings; Limits of Deep Ecology	Alfred Crosby: Ecological Imperialism, Prologue and Conclusion; James C. Scott: Against the Grain, Intro

21	24-Oct-19	Errors and Fakes	Identifying Errors; Fakes; What information do Errors and Fakes convey.	Ibn' Khaldun, Muqadimah; Marc Bloch, Historians' Craft; Umberto Eco, This is not the end of the Book;
22	31-Oct-19	Internet and History	Digitisation of the Past; Digital Records and the Archives of the future; What is changing and what is (perhaps) not.	Daniel Cohen: Digital History - A Guide to Gathering, Preserving, and Presenting the Past on the Web
23	04-Nov-19	Computers and History	Data and Big Data; GIS and Space-Time of History	Shawn Graham: Exploring Big Historical Data - the historian's macroscope; Anne Kelly Knowles: Placing History - how maps, spatial data, and GIS are changing historical scholarship
24	07-Nov-19	Project Presentations	Student presentations of their Project work	
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