

**UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY
FACULTY OF ARTS
Interdisciplinary Programs**

South Asian Studies

Course Outline - Fall 2018

Course: **SAST 203 -Understanding South Asia**

Time: T/R 11:00-12:15 ST 143

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Textbooks and Readings:

[A History of India \[electronic resource\] 6th ed.](#)

Author : Kulke, Hermann.

(There is an online book with access through UC libraries, copy in Reserve, or at the Bookstore.)

These addresses also have a copy but it is the 4th ed. Use at your own risk:

http://www.ahandfulofleaves.org/documents/A%20History%20of%20India_Kulke.pdf

Course Description

The roots of ancient civilization: society, resources and environment; racial, ethnic and cultural diversities; philosophic and religious traditions; arts and aesthetics; historical bases of tradition and modernity; role of education in social development; ideological differences an economic development. Primary focus on India, Sri Lanka, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan and Nepal.

Core Competencies:

The student will be introduced to multidimensional aspects of S. Asian culture, key terms, important facts, authorities, movements and foundational ideas that have shaped this region. Students will be exposed to modern scholarly methodologies. Critical analysis and interpretations of evidence will play a central role.

Assignments and Evaluation

There will be two tests in this course. : **mid-term test =45 points (Nov 1, in-class)**
Students will be provided extensive study aids for each. **Final exam = 45 points (Registrar final)**

Students will be marked on participation:

Question of the day (submitted Q selected for my response) = 4 points

Discussion in Class (topics assigned each week) =6 points total

Total 100 Points

Registrar-scheduled Final Examination:

The final examination will be closed book and will be scheduled by the Office of the Registrar.

Policy for Late Assignments

No late items will be accepted. Exams must be taken on day assigned except with medical note.

Grading System-----Grading Scale

A+ 96-100
A 90-95.99
A - 85-89.99
B+ 80-84.99
B 75-79.99
B- 70-74.99
C+ 65-69.99
C 60-64.99
C- 55-59.99
D+ 53-54.99
D 50-52.99
F 0-49

Schedule of Lectures and Readings :

Schedule of Lectures and Readings will be distributed the first week. Students must use D2L.

Internet and electronic communication device information: No recordings without written permission.

Academic Honesty

Plagiarism is not tolerated at the University of Calgary and has serious consequences. Your essays/presentations must be your own work and inadequate referencing may be seen as plagiarism. Please see the relevant sections on Academic Misconduct in the current University Calendar (section K, which can be found here:

<http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html>). If you have questions about correct referencing, please consult your instructor, or librarian staff.

Student Accommodations

Students seeking an accommodation based on disability or medical concerns should contact Student Accessibility Services; SAS will process the request and issue letters of accommodation to instructors. For additional information on support services and accommodations for students with disabilities, visit www.ucalgary.ca/access/.

Students who require an accommodation in relation to their coursework based on a protected ground other than disability should communicate this need in writing to their Instructor.

The full policy on Student Accommodations is available at

http://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/student-accommodation-policy_0.pdf.

Desire 2 Learn (D2L) Help

Go to <http://elearn.ucalgary.ca/desire2learn/home/students> for Student Help and FAQ's about D2L. Troubleshooting tips and a tutorial are also available on this website.

Faculty of Arts Program Advising and Student Information Resources

For program planning and advice, students in the Faculty of Arts will contact The Arts Students' Centre (ASC). Drop in at SS102, call at 403-220-3580 or email at ascarts@ucalgary.ca. You can also visit the Faculty of Arts website at <http://arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate> which has detailed information on common academic concerns.

For registration (add/drop/swap), paying fees and assistance with your Student Centre, contact Enrolment Services at (403) 210-ROCK [7625] or visit them at the MacKimmie Library.

Freedom of Information and Privacy

This course is conducted in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPP): <http://www.ucalgary.ca/secretariat/privacy>

The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act indicates that assignments given by you to your course instructor will remain confidential unless otherwise stated before submission. The assignment cannot be returned to anyone else without your express permission. Similarly, any information about yourself that you share with your course instructor will not be given to anyone else without your permission. As one consequence, students should identify themselves on all

written work by placing their name on the front page and their ID number on each subsequent page.

Student Ombudsperson and Students' Union Representative

The Student Ombuds Office provides independent, impartial and confidential support for students who require assistance and advice in addressing issues and concerns related to their academic careers. See www.ucalgary.ca/provost/students/ombuds for more information.

The Students' Union Faculty of Arts representative can be reached at arts1@ucalgary.ca.

Emergency Evacuation Assembly Point

In case of an emergency evacuation during class, students must gather at the designated assembly point nearest to the classroom. The list of assembly points is found at www.ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/assemblypoints. Please check this website and not the nearest assembly point for this course.

Safewalk

The Safewalk program provides volunteers to walk students safely to their destination anywhere on campus (including McMahon Stadium, Health Sciences, Student Family Housing, the Alberta Children's Hospital and the University LRT station). This service is free and available to students, staff and campus visitors 24 hrs/day, 365 days a year. Call 403-220-5333 or use one of the Help phones located throughout campus to request a walk.

Health and Wellness

There are services available to students to help with physical and mental health, including the SU Wellness Centre: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/wellnesscentre/>.

Learn more about the Campus Mental Health Strategy here: <https://www.ucalgary.ca/mentalhealth/>.