

HISTORY 364
INDIAN SOCIAL HISTORY

Winter, 2010 Monday 8:30- 12:10 David Milobar D3116 david.milobar@ufv.ca

India is the home of one of the world's most complex and rich civilizations. It is a place where the ancient and modern sometimes challenge each other and sometimes rest in easy harmony. History 364 will examine the forces shaping the emergence of modern Indian society from the seventeenth century to the 1980s. Issues such as imperialism, nationalism, urbanization, and industrialism will be explored with reference to their impact on ethnicity, caste, class and gender in Indian society to recent times. The course will also seek to provide the student with an opportunity to explore the craft of historical analysis, research and writing.

The class will be structured with an equal division between lectures and class discussions. The lectures will provide a contextual basis for each week's readings and will be supplemented by small group work and visual materials.

Course Books:

Radha Kumar, **History of Doing: An Illustrated Account of Movements for Women's Rights and Feminism in India.**

Susan Bayly, **Caste, Society and Politics in India from the Eighteenth Century to the Modern Age.**

Raja Rao, **Kanthapura.**

Mulk Raj Anand, **Untouchable.**

*Also articles/ documents online and in the UFV library.

Grading:

20% Weekly Reading Reflections.

15% Participation.

35% Term Paper.

30% Final Exam.