

## History 410/510: Modern Southeast Asian History

Winter 2008

MW 8:30-9:50

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Office hours: MW 13:30-15:00 (381 McKenzie)

Content: This course seeks to provide students with a general understanding of developments in Indonesia, the Philippines, Vietnam, and Thailand from the late 19<sup>th</sup> century to the present. The class will meet twice a week. In about half the class sessions, I will present a lecture, offering an historical overview. In most of the other sessions, we will discuss assigned readings or I will show relevant films.

Reading: The following books are required and can be purchased at the U of O Bookstore:

1. Norman G. Owen, ed., THE EMERGENCE OF MODERN SOUTHEAST ASIA
2. Pramoedya Ananta Toer, THIS EARTH OF MANKIND
3. Jose Rizal, NOLI ME TANGERE
4. Vu Trong Phung, DUMB LUCK
5. Thongchai Winichakul, SIAM MAPPED

Course Requirements: There will be neither a midterm nor a final examination in this class. Grades will be based on the following: class participation; 3 short papers (2-3 pages in length, based on the assigned readings); a number of pre-announced quizzes (to insure that the readings assignments are done on time).

Note: Graduate students will not have to do any additional reading, but they will be assigned one additional paper, 5-7 pages in length.

### TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF LECTURES, DISCUSSIONS, READING ASSIGNMENTS, ETC.

Week of Jan. 7 Introduction; Overview

Reading: Owen, chapters 2, 4, 12-14, 17.

Week of Jan. 14 Indonesia Lectures

Reading: Owen, chapters 9, 20, 31; begin reading THIS EARTH OF MANKIND.

Week of Jan. 21 \*M Jan. 21: NO CLASS: MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY

\*W Jan. 23: Discussion of THIS EARTH OF MANKIND (\*\*First short paper is due.)

Reading: Finish THIS EARTH OF MANKIND.

Week of Jan. 28      Philippines Lectures

Reading: Owen, chapters 11, 19, 33; begin reading NOLI ME TANGERE.

Week of Feb. 4      Feb. 4: Film

\*Feb. 6: Discussion of NOLI ME TANGERE (\*\*Second short paper is due.)

Reading: Finish NOLI ME TANGERE.

Week of Feb. 11      Vietnam Lectures

Reading: Owen, chapters 7, 23, 34; begin reading DUMB LUCK.

Week of Feb. 18      Feb. 18: Film

\*Discussion of DUMB LUCK (\*\*Third short paper is due.)

Reading: Finish DUMB LUCK.

Week of Feb. 25      \*Feb. 25: NO CLASS!

Feb. 27: Thailand Lecture.

Reading: Owen, chapters 6, 24, 32; begin reading SIAM MAPPED.

Week of Mar. 3      Mar. 3: Film

\*Mar. 5: Discussion of SIAM MAPPED.

Reading: Finish SIAM MAPPED.

Week of Mar. 10      Comparative Perspectives

Reading: Owen, chapters 27, 28.