

HIST 328, Rise of Russia, Sec. 001
Spring 2016
Tues-Thurs, 10:30-11:45
Enterprise 276

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Class Schedule

Jan 19 - Introduction to Course: Land and People (Rowley, 1-18; Barnes, vi-xvii, 1-7)
Jan 21. - The Kievan State (Rowley, 19-45) (Barnes, 3-15)
Jan 26 - Kievan Economy and Society (Rowley, 45-60)
Jan 28 - Kievan Culture and Society (Rowley, 45-60; Barnes, 16-17)
Feb. 2 - The Mongols and Successor States (Rowley, 61-81; Barnes, 18-21)
Feb. 4 - The Rise of Moscow (Rowley, 82-103; Barnes, 22-27)
Feb. 9 - FIRST QUIZ
Feb. 11 - Muscovite State and Society—I (Rowley, 104-147)
Feb. 16 - Muscovite State and Society – II (Barnes,36-37)
Feb. 18 - Ivan the IV, the Terrible (Barnes, 28-23)
Feb. 23 - The Time of Troubles (Barnes, 34-35)
Feb. 25 - The Tumultuous 17th Century-I (Rowley, 148-169; Barnes 38-41)
Mar. 1 - The Tumultuous 17th Century-II
Mar. 3-- SECOND QUIZ
Mar. 8 & 10, Spring Break
Mar. 15 - Old Russian Art and Architecture (review all icon and architecture sections in Rowley)
Mar. 17 - TBA
Mar. 22 - Peter the Great (Rowley, 170-92; Barnes, 42-47)
Mar. 24 - Peter the Great and the Petrine Legacy
Mar. 29 - The 18th Century--Russia in Transition, I (Rowley, 193-217; Barnes, 48-55)
Mar. 31 - The 18th Century – Russia in Transition, II
Apr. 5 – Early 19th Century--War and Politics (Rowley, 218-244; Barnes, 56-73, 80-81)
Apr. 7 - THIRD QUIZ
Apr. 12 - Russian Thought and Culture in the 19th century to 1881. (Turgenev, all)
Apr. 14 - Emancipation, the Great Reforms, and Alexander II (Turgenev, all; Barnes, 74-75)
Apr. 19 - Early Revolutionary Movements (Barnes. 88-90)
Apr. 21 - Russia at the Turn of the Century—Modernity and Transformation I. (Barnes, 76-97. 90-95)
Apr. 26 - Russia at the Turn of the Century—Modernity and Transformation II.
Apr. 28- Past and Present in Russian History (Tolstoy, “A Prisoner of the Caucasus”)
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May 10 -- - FINAL QUIZ – 10:30

Readings – to purchase

David G. Rowley, *Exploring Russia's Past*, Vol. I. -- bookstore
Ian Barnes, *Restless Empire: A Historical Atlas of Russia* -- bookstore
Ivan Turgenev, *Fathers and Sons* – buy online or find in library; any edition is OK.
Leo Tolstoy, “A Prisoner of the Caucasus”—available online and in Tolstoy collections.

(Note: other short pieces may be assigned)

Grades: Four exams --25% each; . For these bring “blue” book (or “green”). Exams must be written in pen; use of pencil will be penalized.

Office Hours: T&R, immediately after class and by appointment

DIABILITIES, WRITING, AND OTHER ASSISTANCE: If you have a disability and need academic accommodations, please see me and contact the Office of Disability Services (ODS) at 703-993-2474; <http://ods.gmu.edu>. If you know that you have problems in writing, consult the Writing Center early in the semester—it is your last chance to get free counseling on what is a very important skill in life. Contact: WRITING CENTER: A114 Robinson Hall; (703) 993-1200; <http://writingcenter.gmu.edu>. The University provides various other assistance programs for students.

COMPUTERS AND CELL PHONES: *Cell phones, pagers, and other communicative devices are not allowed in this class. Please keep them stowed away and out of sight. Laptops or tablets (e.g., iPads) may be permitted for the purpose of taking notes only, but you must submit a request in writing to do so. Engaging in activities not related to the course (e.g., gaming, email, chat, etc.) will result in a significant deduction in your participation grade.* Computers may be used for note-taking. Use of them for other purposes, and any use of cell-phones or similar devices, may result in the item being confiscated on the spot, to be reclaimed later in my office. It may lead to expulsion from class. Do note, however, that recent studies have shown students do better when they take notes in pen or pencil in a notebook of some kind than when they do them on a laptop or other device.

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