**Diversity and Global Turks**

**MELC 270 A/ANTH 269 A**

**HYBRID**

**Spring 2023**

**ART 317**

**Tuesdays 1:30 to 3:20**

**Weekly Schedule:** Classes, Readings and Assignments

Topics and readings are divided up by day and week, and all readings must be completed before that day’s class.

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| **Weeks and Dates** | **Topics and Readings** |
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| **Week One** | **Ecological Setting: Mapping Eurasia – the Turk World** |
| **March 28** | **In-person** |
|  | **Introduction**: the class and the instructor  Review the syllabus  **Who were/are the Turks?**  **Natural Ecology and Demographic process**  **Assigned readings:** David Roxburgh, ed. *Turks*, pp. 18-31  **Recommended** **Readings:** Cemil Aydin, “What is the Muslim world?” *Aeon*, August 1, 2018 |
| **March 30** | **Asynchronous Session** |
|  | **Sociocultural Ecology: Turks and Linguistic Diversities**  **The Turks and their successors**  **Assigned readings:** Carter Findley, *The Turks in world history*, pp. 3-20  **Recommended** **Readings:** James Millward, *The Silk Road*, pp. 1-19  ***Film: Mongol*** |
| **April 3** | **Take Syllabus Quiz by midnight, April 3 (Monday)** |
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| **Week Two** | **Pre-Islamic Turks: Ancient Encounters** |
| **April 4** | **In-person** |
|  | **Precursors of the Turks**  **Assigned readings:** Carter Findley, *The Turks*, pp. 21-37 & Hyuan Jin Kim, “The Xiongnu”  **Recommended** **Readings:** Peter Golden *Central Asia in World History*, pp. 1-20  ***Film: Ertugrul (1)*** |
| **April 6** | **Asynchronous Session** |
|  | **The Creation of Turkic Empires**  **Assigned readings:** Carter Findley, *The Turks*, pp. 37-55 & Michael Drompp, “The Kök Türk Empires” and “The Uyghur Empire”  **Recommended** **Readings:** Christopher Beckwith, *Empires of the Silk Road*, pp. 112-139 &Michael Brose, “The Medieval Uyghurs of the 8th through 14th centuries” |
| **April 10** | **Take Quiz #1 (Map Quiz) by midnight, April 10 (Monday)** |
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| **Week Three** | **Islamicization of the Turks** |
| **April 11** | **In-person** |
|  | **The Creation of the Seljuk Empire**  **Assigned readings:** Carter Findley, *The Turks*, pp. 56-77 & Peter Golden, *Inner Asia c.1200*  **Recommended** **Readings:** Svat Soucek, *Inner Asia*, pp. 93-101; & Frederick Starr, *Lost Enlightenment*, pp. 381-435  ***Film: The Caliph I Documentary*** |
| **April 13** | **Asynchronous Session** |
|  | **Mongols and Turks**  **Assigned readings:** Carter Findley, *The Turks*, pp. 77-92 & Svat Soucek, *Inner Asia*, pp. 103-116  **Recommended** **Readings:** David Roxburgh *Turks*, pp. 72-77 & 103-113 |
| **April 14** | **Discussion Posting (1) Due by 11:59 pm April 14 (Friday)** |
| **April 17** | ***Reading Response Paper (1)* Due by 11:59 pm April 17 (Monday)** |
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| **Week Four** | **Islamic Empires** |
| **April 18** | **In-person** |
|  | **Turkic Gunpowder Empires**  **Assigned readings:** Carter Findley, *The Turks*, pp. 93-107 & & Peter Golden, *Central Asia in World History*, pp. 63-75  **Recommended** **Readings:** Frederick Starr, *Lost Enlightenment*, pp. 436-477  **Guest Speaker:** Dr. Eric Johnson (History, UW) “Gunpowder Empires”: The aged Turkic Dynasties (1400s-1700s)  ***Film: Horde*** |
| **April 20** | **Asynchronous Session** |
|  | **Turkic Islamic Empire**  **Assigned readings:** Carter Findley, *The Turks*, pp. 107-132  **Recommended** **Readings:** Maria Subtelny, “Tamerlane and his descendants”  **Guest Speaker:** Dr. Eric Johnson (History, UW) “Gunpowder Empires”: Ottomans and Safavids  ***Film: Fetih (The Conquest) 1453*** |
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| **Week Five** | **The Timurid Renaissance** |
| **April 25** | **In-person** |
|  | **The Challenges of Empires**  **Assigned readings:** Peter Golden *Central Asia in World History*, pp. 91-121  **Recommended** **Readings:** Frederick Starr, *Lost Enlightenment*, pp. 478-514  **Guest Speaker:** Dr. Eric Johnson (History, UW) “Gunpowder Empires”: Timurids, Shaibanids, & Mughals  ***Film: The Hires of Genghis Khan***  ***Reading Response Paper (2) Due*** |
| **April 27** | **Asynchronous Session** |
|  | **Assigned readings:** Allen Frank, “The Western steppe: Volga-Ural region, Siberia and the Crimea”  **Recommended** **Readings:** Yuri Bregel, “Uzbeks, Qazaqs and Turkmens”  ***Film: Myng Bala: Warriors of the Steppe*** |
| **April 27** | **Take Quiz # 2 by midnight, April 27 (Thursday)** |
| **April 28** | **Discussion Posting (2) Due by 11:59 pm April 28 (Friday)** |
| **May 1** | ***Reading Response Paper 2* Due by 11:59 pm May 1 (Monday)** |
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| **Week Six** | **Turks and Global Reordering** |
| **May 2** | **In-person** |
|  | **Assigned readings:** Carter Findley, *The Turks*, pp. 133-174  **Recommended** **Readings:** Jane Burbank & Fredrick Copper, *Empires*, pp. 117-148 |
| **May 6** | **Asynchronous Session** |
|  | **Assigned readings:** James Millward, “Eastern Central Asia (Xinjiang)” & Christian Noack “The western Steppe under Russian Rule”  **Recommended** **Readings:** Stephen Dale, “Empires and Emporia” |
| **May 5** | **Discussion Posting (3) Due by 11:59 pm May 5 (Friday)** |
| **May 8 (Monday)** | ***Paper topic Due Each proposal should include a topic, an abstract, and a preliminary bibliography*** |
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| **Week Seven** | **The Turks and Modernity** |
| **May 9** | **In-person** |
|  | **Assigned readings:** Carter Findley, *The Turks*, pp. 175-223  **Recommended** **Readings:** Carter Findley, *The Turks*, pp. 224-237 & Suraiya Faroqhi, “Elegance Alafranga, Social Criticism and Tomatoes: Transformations in the Culture of the Ottoman Upper Class, 1840-1914,”  **Guest Speaker**: Dr. Selim Kuru (NELC, UW) |
| **May 10** | ***Submit Ethnic Case Study Project Topics*** |
| **May 11** | **Asynchronous Session** |
|  | **Assigned readings:** Peter Golden *Central Asia in World History*, pp. 122-139  **Recommended** **Readings:** Cooper & Burbank, Empires, 128-143  **Film: *Kurmanjan Datka*** |
| **May 12** | **Discussion Posting (4) Due by 11:59 pm May 12 (Friday)** |
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| **Week Eight** | **Ethnicity, nationalism and Nation** |
| **May 16** | **In-person** |
|  | **Assigned readings:** Shoshana Keller, *Russia and Central Asia*, pp.133-178  **Recommended** **Readings:** Adeeb Khalid, *Politics of Muslim Cultural Reform,* pp. 19-44  **Guest Speaker**: Michael Sims (Jackson School, UW) |
| **May 18** | **Asynchronous Session** |
|  | **Assigned readings:** Shoshana Keller, *Russia and Central Asia*, pp.179-209 & Sedef Arat-Koç “Culturalizing politics, hyper-politicizing ‘culture’”  **Recommended** **Readings:** Michael Kemper, “Russian Orientalism”  ***Film: “Science and Islam”*** |
| **May 19** | ***Discussion Posting (5)* Due by 11:59 pm May 19 (Friday)** |
| **May 21** | ***Paper outline and Bibliography Due Each proposal should include a topic, a working thesis and a bibliography*** |
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| **Week Nine** | **Colonialism and Terror Capitalism** |
| **May 23** | **In-person** |
|  | **Assigned readings:** Sean Roberts, *The War on the Uyghurs*, pp. 21-61  **Recommended** **Readings:** David Brophy, “The Uyghurs: Making a Nation” & Yitzhak Shichor, “Artificial resuscitation: Beijing’s manipulation to pan-Turkism” |
| **May 25** | **Asynchronous Session** |
|  | **Identity and Social Inequality**  **Assigned readings:** Sean Roberts, *The War on the Uyghurs*, pp. 199-235  **Recommended** **Readings:** Sean Roberts, *The War on the Uyghurs*, pp. 236-251& Claudia Diehl, “Between ethnic options and ethnic boundaries - Recent Polish and Turkish migrants’ identification with Germany” |
| **May 26** | **Take Quiz # 3 by midnight, May 26 (Friday)** |
| **May 30** | ***Reading Response Paper 3* Due by 11:59 pm May 30 (Tuesday)** |
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| **Week Ten** | **Globalization and Turks** |
| **May 30** | **In-person** |
|  | **Authoritarianism and Nationalism**  **Assigned readings:** Jörg Hartmann “Do second-generation Turkish migrants in Germany assimilate into the middle class?”  **Recommended** **Readings:** Jeff Sahadeo, “Ceremonies, Construction, Commemoration,” & Greta Uehling, “Recalling the 1944 Deportation” & Mustafa Tuna, “Pillars of the Nation': The Making of a Russian Muslim Intelligentsia,” |
| **June 1** | **Asynchronous Session** |
|  | **Future Prospects of the Turks**  **Assigned readings:** Rory Finnin "Captive Turks: Crimean Tatars in Pan-Turkist Literature" & Christopher Beckwith, *Empires of the Silk Road*, pp. 320-362  **Recommended** **Readings:** James Millward, *The Silk Road*, pp. 110-121 |
| **June 2** | ***Ethnic Case Study Project* Due by 11:59 pm June 2 (Friday)** |
| **June 2** | ***Discussion Posting (6)* Due by 11:59 pm June 2 (Friday)** |
| **Week Eleven** | |
| June 3-9 | **Final Examination Week** |
| **June 5** | **Final paper due on June 5 (Monday)** |