This course examines in detail four transformational wars in the history of the world – the Crusades, the U.S. Civil War, the First World War, and the Vietnam War – both in lectures and in small discussion groups that will also focus on the development of foundational analytical and writing skills. Topics include the implications and effects of war for civilians, trade, popular culture, and technology.

The Tutorial Assistants (TAs) for the course are Robyn Schwarz and Lisa-Marie Murphy-Gemmill. They will not necessarily be holding regularly scheduled office hours, but will be available to meet with students by appointment.

**Learning Outcomes**

Through the lectures and four assignments, students will gain:
- Basic primary source skills: what are primary sources?; authorship and audience; Veritas et utilitas (truth and usefulness)
- Basic secondary source skills: what are secondary sources?; secondary sources as interpretation; dealing with different interpretations; synthesis of extensive reading
- Familiarity with the library and electronic resources
- A full understanding of plagiarism and its problems
- Basic paper-writing skills: organization, citation, and footnoting
- Participation and communication skills in small-group discussion
- An appreciation of the fundamental role of war and conflict in shaping history and society
Textbooks
Students must purchase the following textbooks, which will be used for tutorial discussions and assignments. They are available in the bookstore.
Other materials for use in tutorial discussions and for assignments will be available on the course website.

Assignments
Secondary source assignment (due week of 19 October 2015) 15%
Annotated bibliography assignment (due weeks of 9 November and 30 November 2015) 15%
Primary source document analysis (due week of 1 February 2016) 15%
Short research paper (due week of 28 March 2016) 15%
Tutorial participation 10%
Mid-term examination (December 2015 - date TBA) 15%
Final examination (April 2016 - date TBA) 15%

Submitting assignments
All assignments are to be submitted in tutorial. Late assignments will be subject to a deduction of two marks per day, not including weekend days. Assignments submitted more than seven days after the due date, without the requisite accommodation from Academic Counselling, will not be graded.

In addition to the hard copy, all assignments must be submitted electronically to the Turnitin plagiarism detection service. Detailed instructions for the submission process through the OWL course website will be provided in class. Students are strongly advised not to wait until the last few minutes before midnight to submit the paper. High demand and internet failure are not acceptable reasons for failing to submit on time. In the event of any problems, contact your instructor.

Note: “All required papers may be subject to submission for textual similarity review to the commercial plagiarism detection software under license to the University for the detection of plagiarism. All papers submitted will be included as source documents in the reference database for the purpose of detecting plagiarism of papers subsequently submitted to the system. Use of the
service is subject to the licensing agreement, currently between The University of Western Ontario and Turnitin.com (http://www.turnitin.com).” [www.uwo.ca/univsec/handbook/exam/crsout.pdf]

Secondary source assignment:
Using two secondary sources from the weeks of 19 October or 26 October, identify the genre of each source, and examine how they could contribute to the development of a research paper. ‘Genre’ refers here to the style of analysis: ‘economic history’, ‘social history’, ‘military history’ and so on. Consider the sources employed, the methods used, the assumptions made. Consider especially how the arguments advanced can be viewed as complementary or conflicting. DO NOT simply summarize the sources: this assignment is intended to allow you to demonstrate your ability to use secondary sources critically and imaginatively. Class readings will be discussed in these terms during tutorials, and further guidance for this paper will be provided in class.

**Due week of 19 October 2014**

Annotated bibliography assignment:
This assignment is designed to allow you to “follow your own adventure” in 19th century U.S. history as you learn how to conduct historical research like a scholar. You may choose any topic in U.S. history from 1800 to 1900 for this project. The first part of the assignment is a preliminary research report, which you might think of as a “lab report” that will reflect that you completed each step of the assignment (described in detail on the assignment sheet on OWL) and what you learned along the way (Preliminary Research Report is due in your tutorial in the week of 9 November). The second half of the assignment requires you to read and analyze 10-15 of the sources you found in your research and annotate them, culminating in a scholarly Annotated Bibliography on your subject (due in your tutorial in the week of 30 November). Examples of a correctly completed Preliminary Research Report and examples of bibliographic annotations will be posted on OWL.

**Due weeks of 9 November and 30 November 2015**

Primary source document analysis:
You will be given an original document from the First World War to research and analyze. You should approach it as an exercise in historical detection – how much can the document tell you about the time, and about the people and events to which it refers? Because of the nature of the assignment, it does not need a thesis statement, like a conventional research paper. It should include reference notes and a bibliography. A sample analysis can be found on the course website.

**Due week of 1 February 2016**

Short research paper:
Each student will write a short research paper on some aspect of the Vietnam War. A list of representative topics will be provided, but student are encouraged to formulate their own topics. The assignment will allow you to bring together skills in interpreting primary and secondary
sources, and in bibliographical research. A premium will be placed on your ability to present your argument in an organized fashion and with graceful prose.

**Due week of 28 March 2016**

The success of each tutorial depends on the willingness of students to keep up with the readings on a weekly basis and to take part fully in the discussion. Your participation (and note that you are assessed on participation, not simply attendance) will be assessed on an ongoing basis throughout the year. Attendance at tutorials is mandatory – any student who misses more than 5 tutorial sessions without accommodation from Academic Counselling will automatically fail the course. In order to achieve a passing grade in this course, students MUST:

– sit BOTH examinations
– complete ALL assignments

History 1810E is designated as an essay course. In order to obtain a passing grade in the course, each student must exhibit a minimum level of competence in essay writing and the appropriate level of knowledge of the content of the course. In practical terms, this means that each student, to pass the course, must achieve a passing grade in the essay portion (ie. out of the combined essay grade of 60%, you must achieve at least 30%).

For reasons of privacy, students should communicate with the course directors and TAs using their UWO email addresses; all communications regarding the course will be sent to those email addresses, rather than to other accounts (Hotmail, Gmail, etc). Students should also regularly check the Announcements section on the course website for updates.

We recognize that, for academic purposes, students rely heavily on electronic devices such as laptops or smartphones, and may be accustomed to using them in class for taking notes or following the readings. Our assumption is that students will be respectful of their instructors and fellow students in using electronic devices, and will not engage in activities that distract those around them. In the event of disruptive use of such devices, the course directors reserve the right to request that any device be turned off or put away; in extreme cases, a student may be asked to leave the lecture hall.

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Lecture Schedule
NB - Tutorials begin the week of 21 September

14 September – Course introduction - Professors Millman, Shire, Stewart, and Vance

16 September – The Lightning Round
– Introduction to the Vietnam War – Professor Stewart
– Introduction to the First World War – Professor Vance
– Introduction to the U.S. Civil War – Professor Shire

The Crusades – Professor Brock Millman

**All secondary sources and primary documents are available on OWL as ‘Crusades Resources,’ or as electronic resources through the library server**

21 & 23 September: Background and Context
Readings:
Paul Stephenson, “Byzantium Transformed c. 950-1200,” Medieval Encounters 10/1-3, pp. 185-220
Jason Roch, “In the Wake of Manzikert. The First Crusade and the Alexian Reconquest of Western Anatolia,” History 94/314 (2009), pp. 135-153

Primary Sources:

28 & 30 September: Why Crusade?
Readings:
Tyerman, The Crusades, Chapter Five.

Primary Sources:
Urban II: Speech at Council of Clermont, According to Fulcher of Chartres (Available online at http://legacy.fordham.edu/halsall/source/urban2-fulcher.html)

5 & 7 October: Crusades to the Holy Land, 1096-1291
Readings:
Rapport, The Crusades, Chapter Two

Primary Sources:
The Siege and Capture of Jerusalem, Collected Accounts (Available on line at http://legacy.fordham.edu/halsall/source/cde-jlem.asp#gesta2)

12 October: Thanksgiving –no lecture

14 October: Crusades in Europe
Readings:
Rapport, The Crusades, Chapter Three.

Primary Source: Cantar de Mio Cid, Cantar Two, verses LXXVII-XCV (available on line at http://omacl.org/Cid/cantarII.html).
Jessie Crosland (trans.), Song of Roland, (Cambridge, ON: In Parenthesis, 1999), pp. 30-49 (verses 112-179)

19 & 21 October: Correlation of Forces
Readings:
Rapport, The Crusades, Chapter Six.
Peter Burkholder, “Popular Misconceptions of Medieval Warfare,” *History Compass* 5/2 (March 2007), pp. 507-524
R.C. Smail, *Crusading Warfare* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1956), chap. 4, pp. 64-85

**Primary Sources:**

**Secondary source assignment due**

26 October: Winners and Losers

**Readings:**
Rapport, *The Crusades*, Chapter Four

**Primary Source:**

28 October: Why Do I Care (i.e. how did this change the world)?

**Readings:**
Rapport, *The Crusades*, Chapter Seven
Daniel Johnson, “How To Think About The Crusades,” *Commentary* 120/1 (July/August 2005), pp. 46-51
Primary Source:

** Fall Study Break – no tutorial meetings**

The U.S. Civil War - Professor Laurel Shire

**Complete the assigned readings before attending the corresponding lecture**

2 & 4 November

Lecture 1. Introduction: Slavery and American Memory
Read:
1. Manning, What This Cruel War Was Over, Introduction and Conclusion, pp. 3-18, 213-222

Recommended watching: Amistad, Dir. Steven Spielberg, DreamWorks SKG, 1997 and 12 Years a Slave, Dir. Steve McQueen, Regency Enterprises, 2013.

Lecture 2. Origins of the Political Crisis: Expansion and Slavery
Read:

Assignment: write 150-300 word letter to your abolitionist grandmother as described in “The Slaveholder’s Dilemma” – type it up, print it out, bring it to lecture, and put only your tutorial leader's name and your student number (NOT YOUR NAME) on the letter

9 & 11 November

Lecture 3. Secession and War: Election 1860 to First Bull Run, 1861
Read:
1. Manning, What This Cruel War Was Over, Ch. 1, pp. 19-52
2. Primary documents: South Carolina’s Declaration of Secession; State of Mississippi, “A Declaration of the Immediate Causes which Induce and Justify the Secession of the State of Mississippi from the Federal Union;” Lincoln’s First Inaugural Address; Alexander Stephens, “Corner Stone Speech”

Lecture 4. Politics, Conscription, and Military Reverses in 1861-1862
Read:
1. Manning, *What This Cruel War Was Over*, and Ch. 2, pp. 53-80
2. Primary sources: excerpts from slave narratives by Harriet Jacobs and Solomon Northup, links to online texts are posted on OWL. From *12 Years A Slave* (1853), read Chapters 1, 3 and beginning of 4 (Eliza’s story), 6, 12, 18, 22. From *Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl*, read pages v-5 (note, preface and intro), Chapters 1, 3, 5-8, 10, 15, 17, 21, 24, 29. Note that you may find these narratives of enslavement emotionally distressing.

**Preliminary Research Report due the week of 9 November**

16 & 18 November
Lecture 5. The “Revolution” in 1862-63: Emancipation, Black Enlistment, and Riots
Read:
1. Manning, *What This Cruel War Was Over*, Chs. 3-4, pp. 81-145
Recommended watching: *Gangs of New York*, Dir. Martin Scorsese, Miramax, 2002; especially this clip: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mdwLxOK7xLc

Lecture 6. Americans Grow Weary as the Bloodshed Continues, 1864-1865
Read:
1. Manning, *What This Cruel War Was Over*, Ch. 5, pp. 146-180
3. Primary documents: Cox-McTiere Family letters (1854, 1862, 1864); “Sowing and Reaping,” *Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper*, May 23, 1863, links on OWL.

23 & 25 November
Lecture 7. Jefferson Davis in a Dress: Union Victory and Southern Defeat
Read:
1. Manning, *What This Cruel War Was Over*, Ch. 6, pp. 181-212
3. Primary documents: Grant & Lee: The Surrender Correspondence at Appomattox; Robert E. Lee’s Farewell Address (General Order No. 9)
Lecture 8. The Possibilities of Reconstruction
Read:
2. Primary documents: “We Are Left in a More Unpleasant Condition than Our Former” (includes a Georgia Labor Contract); “Black Codes;” “Freedmen’s Bureau Records;” Sharecropping Contract at https://chnm.gmu.edu/courses/122/recon/contract.htm

30 November & 1 December
Lecture 9. Retreat from Reconstruction: The U.S.A Abandons the Freedpeople
Read:
1. Eric Foner, “America’s Reconstruction: People and Politics After the Civil War,” online exhibit; read The Ending of Reconstruction and Epilogue (the last two sections listed in the left margin).
Note that you may feel emotional distress when reading or viewing these sources on lynching (be prepared to read about and see images of horrific violence).

Lecture 10. The Lost Cause: How the North Won the War but Lost the Battle over its Remembrance
Read:
2. Listen/watch: David Blight, “Race and Reunion: The Civil War in American Memory”
3. Primary sources: Chapter XXVIII (28) from Margaret Mitchell, Gone with the Wind (1936), clip from Birth of a Nation, Dir. D. W. Griffith, David W. Griffith Corp., 1915; “The Myth of Black Confederates,” and this blog post from a white Southern believer in black confederates, “PoP Southern” - http://blackconfederates.blogspot.ca/
Recommended watching: C.S.A.: the Confederate States of America, Dir. Kevin Wilmott, IFC Films, 2004 (a mockumentary, available on Youtube) – be sure you watch the last 10 minutes.

**Annotated Bibliography due the week of 30 November**

The First World War - Professor Jonathan F. Vance
4 & 6 January: Before: A World of Silence
The Old World
The New World
Readings:
J. Castell Hopkins, *Canada at War: A Record of Heroism and Achievement, 1914-1918* (1919): chap. 1

11 & 13 January: The Generation of 1914
Enthusiasm for War
Not Over by Christmas
Readings:
Nic Clarke, “‘You will not be going to this war’: The Rejected Volunteers of the First Contingent of the Canadian Expeditionary Force,” *First World War Studies* 1/2 (2010): 161-83
Tim Cook, “‘He was determined to go’: Underage Soldiers in the Canadian Expeditionary Force,” *Histoire sociale/Social History* 41 (2008): 41-74

18 & 20 January: Deadlock
Westerners
Easterners
Readings:
Report on the Operations of 31st Battalion in the Neighbourhood of St Eloi, 3-9 April 1916
War Diary, 31st Battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Force, April 1916
Account by Lieut.-Col. A.H. Bell, 31st Battalion

25 & 27 January: A War of Frightfulness
Gas, Bombs, and Submarines
The Realities of Modern War
Readings:
The Sinking of the *Llandovery Castle*
1 & 3 February: The End: Revolution and Pandemic
The Worst Winter
The War Opens Up
Readings:
Henri Bourassa, “Win the War,” and Lose Canada, 4 July 1917
Sir Wilfrid Laurier’s Election Manifesto, 4 November 1917
Sir Robert Borden’s Election Manifesto, 11 November 1917
**Primary source document analysis due**

8 & 10 February: After: A World of Noise
Canada As It Might Have Been
Canada As It Was
Readings:

15 – 21 February: Reading Week

The Vietnam War – Professor Geoffrey Stewart

22 & 24 February: Revolutionary Origins
Readings:
Lawrence, The Vietnam War, 1-26
Primary Documents:
- Phan Boi Chau, “The New Vietnam” 1907
- Ho Chi Minh and the Founding of the Vietminh, June 1941
- The Vietnamese Declaration of Independence, September 1945

29 February & 2 March: The International Context
Readings:
Lawrence, The Vietnam War, 27-53
Primary Documents:
- The Domino Theory, April 1954
- “A Comprehensive Solution for Restoring Peace in Indochina” (Draft), prepared by the Vietnam Group in the Chinese delegation attending the Geneva Conference April, 4 1954
7 & 9 March: Escalation
Readings:
Lawrence, *The Vietnam War*, 53-90
Primary Documents:
- Program of the National Front for the Liberation of South Vietnam (NLF), December 1960, rallying opposition to the US-backed Diem regime
- The Gulf of Tonkin Resolution, August 1964

14 & 16 March: The American War
Readings:
Lawrence, *The Vietnam War*, 91-115
Primary Document:

21 & 23 March: Peace with Honour?
Readings:
Lawrence, *The Vietnam War*, 116-68
Primary Document:
- Memorandum of Conversation between Presidents Nicolae Ceaucescu and Richard Nixon on Vietnam, 3 August 1969, Bucharest, Romania

28 & 30 March: Legacies
Readings:
Lawrence, *The Vietnam War*, 168-85
Primary Document:
- The Music of the Vietnam War Era – *Details on the course website under 28 March Readings*

**Research paper due**
4 – 6 April: Course conclusion - Professors Millman, Shire, Stewart, and Vance

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ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

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indentation in such a way that they cannot be mistaken for your own words. Note that you cannot avoid indicating quotation simply by changing a word or phrase in a sentence or paragraph which is not your own.

B. In adopting other writer's ideas, you must acknowledge that they are theirs.

You are plagiarizing if you adopt, summarize, or paraphrase other writers' trains of argument, ideas or sequences of ideas without acknowledging their authorship according to the method of acknowledgement given in 'At above. Since the words are your own, they need not be enclosed in quotation marks. Be certain, however, that the words you use are entirely your own; where you must use words or phrases from your source; these should be enclosed in quotation marks, as in 'A' above.

Clearly, it is possible for you to formulate arguments or ideas independently of another writer who has expounded the same ideas, and whom you have not read. Where you got your ideas is the important consideration here. Do not be afraid to present an argument or idea without acknowledgement to another writer, if you have arrived at it entirely independently. Acknowledge it if you have derived it from a source outside your own thinking on the subject.

In short, use of acknowledgements and, when necessary, quotation marks is necessary to distinguish clearly between what is yours and what is not. Since the rules have been explained to you, if you fail to make this distinction, your instructor very likely will do so for you, and they will be forced to regard your omission as intentional literary theft. Plagiarism is a serious offence which may result in a student's receiving an 'F' in a course or, in extreme cases, in their suspension from the University.

Medical Issues:

The University recognizes that a student’s ability to meet his/her academic responsibilities may, on occasion, be impaired by medical illness. Please go to https://studentservices.uwo.ca/secure/medical_accommodations_link_for_OOR.pdf to read about the University’s policy on medical accommodation. This site provides links the necessary forms. In the event of illness, you should contact Academic Counselling as soon as possible. The Academic Counsellors will determine, in consultation with the student, whether or not accommodation should be requested. They will subsequently contact the instructors in the relevant courses about the accommodation. Once the instructor has made a decision about whether to grant an accommodation, the student should contact his/her instructors to determine a new due date for tests, assignments, and exams.

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If you have any further questions or concerns please contact, Morgan Sheriff, Undergraduate Program Advisor, Department of History, 519-661-2111 x84999 or msherif5@uwo.ca