The purpose of this course is to reach some understanding of the various forces that shaped the course of Russian history in the nineteenth century -- from Napoleon's invasion of Russia in 1812, to the abdication of Tsar Nicholas II in 1917. It is a course that will endeavor to focus on the social and intellectual aspects of Russian history and the people's response to "official policies."

Particularly because primary and secondary materials on Russian history in English are either not available at all locally, or are widely scattered about or are very limited, student success in this course will depend very much on his/her active participation when considering the various issues confronting Russia during this period. This way, and only in this way, can one hope to gain an understanding of -- and perhaps even an appreciation for -- nineteenth-century Russian history.

No claim to completeness is being made and rather than proceeding strictly in a chronological fashion, the focus will be on selected major events. The lectures will concentrate on specific subjects and may range beyond the material covered in the textbook. Therefore, regular attendance is of importance -- despite the early hour.

The examinations will include questions drawn from assigned readings, lectures, and in-class discussions.

TEXTBOOK: EDWARD CRANKSHAW. THE SHADOW OF THE WINTER PALACE. COMPANION TO 19TH CENTURY RUSSIAN HISTORY. (HANDOUT)

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OFFICE HOURS: HELP is available, but YOU will have to communicate any difficulties you may encounter to me. Office hours will be held Mondays through Fridays, except on non-teaching days. I shall wait for the first 10 minutes of each office hour and if no one shows up, I shall be going for coffee. Otherwise, make an appointment.

ALL assignments must be completed and submitted in class on the date specified. There will be no make-up exams and late papers will be penalized 10% per day, including Saturdays, Sundays and holidays. Exceptions may be granted only to those who can satisfactorily explain their absence from Campus on the date of the assignment.
COURSE OUTLINE:

The following Course Outline is only tentative and subject to change. Page references are made to the textbook of this course; where none are given, consult other sources as well as the bibliography below.

1. INTRODUCTION.

2. ALEXANDER I, 1801-1825: THE ALEXANDRINE AGE:


3. NICHOLAS I, 1826-1855: THE GENDARME OF EUROPE:

GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION * THE THIRD SECTION & CENSORSHIP * MILITARY COLONIES * EXPANSION IN ASIA * THE EUROPEAN REVOLUTION OF 1848 * RELATIONS WITH THE OTTOMAN EMPIRE * THE CRIMEAN WAR. CRANKSHAW, chaps. 3 to 8.

4. ALEXANDER II, 1855-1881: THE TSAR LIBERATOR:

PEASANT EMANCIPATION * JUDICIAL & EDUCATIONAL REFORMS * POPULAR POLITICAL STIRRINGS * INDUSTRY, TRADE & FINANCE * PAN-SLAVISM * NARODNIA VOLIA: THE PEOPLE'S WILL. CRANKSHAW, chaps. 9 to 15.

5. ALEXANDER III, 1881-1894: REACTIONARY CARETAKER:


6. NICHOLAS II, 1894-1917: THE LAST ROMANOV:

THE RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR * BLOODY SUNDAY * POTEMKIN MUTINY * REVOLUTION * THE DUMA * THE AGE OF STOLYPIN * NEW DEPARTURES IN FOREIGN POLICY * THE BALKAN QUESTION * THE FIRST WORLD WAR * THE FEBRUARY REVOLUTION. CRANKSHAW, chaps. 18 to 22.

CONCLUSION.
TERM PAPERS:

Choose one of the following topics to write on. Essays should be 3500 words in length (max.), legible, and double-spaced. It also should have a title page. For proper footnoting and other technical aspects of essay writing, consult the LANGARA STYLE SHEET.

Your paper MUST include a bibliography of all the sources that you have consulted for its preparation. REMEMBER: a term paper requires critical analysis of your subject -- a reading and weighing of points of view advanced by a number of experts in your chosen subject area. A laundry list of facts and generalizations or a mere recitation of events does not meet the requirement of critical analysis.

LATE PAPERS WILL BE PENALIZED 10 % per day, including Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

1. NAPOLEONIC THREAT.
2. CONGRESS OF VIENNA.
3. THE DECEMBRIST MOVEMENT.
4. THE CRIMEAN WAR.
5. THE RUSSIAN MUZHIK
6. RUSSIA’S REVOLUTIONARY INTELLIGENTSIA.
7. POPULISM IN RUSSIA.
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