

SU22 AP/HIST 4565 6.0A Cultural Revolution: the 1960s in Canada

Course Note: This course meets remotely with synchronous class sessions on the Days and Time indicated.

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Expanded Course Description (expanded from course calendar description):

The 1960s have influenced the collective memory of Canadians. Although this course focuses on Canadian society, we take the international context into account. This course provides students with an opportunity to study an era in Canadian history -- the decade of the 1960s-- by analyzing its cultural, economic, ideological, political, and social aspects. It pays attention to several phenomena that were instrumental in shaping the 1960s: the cultural revolution, the hippies, university protest, the feminist movement, the protest movements in Europe and in the United States and their impact on Canada, the transformation of the political culture, the development of the Welfare State, and the rise of the independence movement in Quebec.

Required Course Text/Readings:

Readings will be listed in the syllabus and are available online. Students are invited to read journal articles and to watch short videos.

Weighting of Course:

Written Assignment 1 (The Sixties and Oral History) 30%

Students will be conducting a structured/unstructured interview with individuals who have lived through part or all of the 1960s. The purpose is to learn from their experience. Students may find the myths of the Sixties upheld, or those myths challenged in some way. This assignment also gives students an opportunity to experiment with oral interviews and assess its strengths and weaknesses.

Written Assignment 2 part 1 (Description-Heritage Plaque) 15%

Written Assignment 2 part 2 (Heritage Plaque) 30%

Students will prepare a research proposal for commemorating an aspect of the 1960s (a proposal for a plaque and a research paper) on a topic related to the Sixties. The Ontario Heritage Trust has a program of historical plaques that are designed to commemorate various aspects of Ontario history. On these plaques, there is a short text – about 100 words- that explains the relevance of an individual, group of people, place or event. Students are invited to write a 100-word plaque about the historical significance of an event, place or individual in Canadian history.

Here is a list of topics: The Abortion Caravan, anti-Vietnam demonstrations, the Beatles in Toronto, the Canadian Centennial, Chinatown, draft dodgers, hippies, a new Canadian Flag, Kensington Market, Jodi Mitchell, the Pill, residential schools in Ontario, Rochdale College, Toronto and the Stanley Cup (1967), Trudeaumania, Yorkville, new Universities in Ontario (Trent University, York University), etc.

Class Participation 20%

Presentation of a journal article or a video 5%

Organization of the Course:

Zoom class discussions are on Mondays and Wednesdays from 2:30 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. The course material include primary sources, book chapters, journal articles, and short videos. Class discussions serve to enrich, clarify, and illustrate crucial issues from the assigned readings. Students are expected to attend class prepared to discuss readings and videos.

Course Learning Objectives:

Students who complete this course will be able to (1) think broadly and deeply about the historical development of Canada during the 1960s, (2) comprehend the significance of the 1960s, (3) participate in critical discussions, (4) understand and analyze primary and secondary sources on this subject, (5) develop both written and oral communications skills.

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Course Schedule

May 9, 2022 Introduction

May 11, 2022 Baby Boomers and the Sixties.

Read: Jan Van Bavel and David S. Reher, "The Baby Boom and Its Causes: What We Know and what we need to know," *Population & Development Review*, vol. 39, No. 2 (June 2013): 257-88.

Read: Anthony Esler, "'The Truest Community': Social Generations as Collective Mentalities," *Journal of Political and Military Sociology*, vol. 12, No. 1 (Spring 1984): 99-112.

Watch: OK boomer (7:45 minutes) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z-PZfgMEr78>

May 16, 2022 'Don't Trust Anyone over 30': The Counterculture Movement.

Look: Stacy Allison-Cassin, Folk Music and Yorkville Coffeehouses (online exhibit), <http://scalar.usc.edu/works/musictoronto/index>

Read: David Farber, "Building the counterculture, creating right livelihoods: the counterculture at work," *Sixties*, vol. 6, No. 1 (June 2013): 1-24.

Read: Ronald Helfrich, "What can a hippie contribute to our community?" Culture wars, moral panics, and the Woodstock Festival," *New York History*, vol. 91, No. 3 (Summer 2010): 221-44.

Watch: Beatlemania takes Toronto, CBC Archives (8:55 minutes)

<https://www.cbc.ca/archives/entry/this-hour-has-seven-days-beatlemania-takes-toronto>

Watch: Sex, drugs and other Woodstock memories, CBC Archives (9 minutes)

<https://www.cbc.ca/archives/entry/sex-drugs-and-other-woodstock-memories>

May 18, 2022 Culture, Fashion, and Expo 67

Read: Nicholas Hrynyk, "Strutting Like a Peacock: Masculinity, Consumerism, and Men's Fashion in Toronto, 1966-72," *Journal of Canadian Studies*, vol. 49, No. 3 (Fall 2015): 76-110.

Read: Rhona Richman Kenneally, "The Cuisine of the Tundra: Towards a Canadian Food Culture at Expo 67," *Food, Culture & Society: An International Journal of Multidisciplinary Research*, vol. 11, No. 3 (2008): 287-313.

Look: Photographic Memory, lives of Torontonians in the 1960s and '70s

<https://torontolife.com/city/joan-latchford-cardinal-gallery-photos-toronto-in-the-1960s-and-70s/>

Watch: Peacock Revolution, London 1960s (3:05 minutes)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kyljt2X0-Gk>

May 23, 2022 Victoria Day (no classes)

May 25, 2022 Working in the Sixties

Read: Ian Milligan, "A Small Spark, a Big Flame: Two Wildcat Vignettes from the Summer of '66" *Active History.ca* <http://activehistory.ca/2012/03/a-small-spark-a-big-flame-two-wildcat-vignettes-from-the-summer-of-66/>

Read: Margaret Little, "Militant Mothers Fight Poverty: The Just Society Movement, 1968-1971," *Labour-Le Travail*, vol. 59 (2007): 179-98.

Watch: 1963-1972: Transforming the labour movement (8 minutes)

<https://cupe.ca/1963-1972-transforming-labour-movement>

May 30, 2022 Counterculture: Hippies

Read: Stuart Henderson, "Toronto's Hippie Disease: End Days in the Yorkville Scene, August 1968," *Journal of the Canadian Historical Association*, New Series, vol. 17, No. 1 (2006): 205-34.

Read: Daniel Ross, "Panic on Love Street: Citizens and Local Government Respond to Vancouver's Hippie Problem, 1967-68," *BC Studies*, vol. 180 (Winter 2013-14): 7-37.

Watch: Vancouver politicians averse to hippies, CBC archives (6:48 minutes),

<http://www.cbc.ca/archives/entry/vancouver-politicians-averse-to-hippies>

Watch: Toronto's Yorkville: Hippie Haven in 1967, CBC archives (14:01 minutes)

<http://www.cbc.ca/archives/entry/yorkville-hippie-haven>

Watch: Hippie life: It ain't easy, CBC Archives (6:41 minutes), <https://www.cbc.ca/archives/entry/hippie-life-it-aint-easy>

June 1, 2022 Society and Drug Use.

Read: "There are people in all walks of life who are using this substance...': Drugs, Discourse, and the Student Counterculture at the Le Dain Commission, 1969-70," Moodle website

Read: Greg Marquis, "Constructing an Urban Drug Ecology in 1970s Canada," *Urban History Review* 42, No. 1 (Fall 2013): 27-40.

Watch: Marijuana "smoke-in" turns violent in Vancouver's Gastown Riot, CBC archives (7:09 minutes), <https://www.cbc.ca/archives/entry/1971-gastown-riots-over-vancouver-smoke-in>

Watch: Barbara Frum hosts 1969 panel on decriminalizing pot, CBC archives (10:54 minutes), <https://www.cbc.ca/archives/entry/barbara-frum-hosts-1969-panel-on-decriminalizing-pot>

June 6, 2022 Free Love and the Abortion Debate.

Listen: The Omnibus Bill doesn't go far enough, CBC Archives (14:47 minutes), <https://www.cbc.ca/archives/entry/the-omnibus-bill-doesnt-go-far-enough>

Read: Shannon Stettner and Bruce Douville, "'In the Image and Likeness of God': Christianity and Public Opinion on Abortion in the Globe and Mail during the 1960s," *Journal of Canadian Studies*, vol. 50, No. 1 (Winter 2016): 179-213.

Read: Christabelle Sethna, "The Evolution of the *Birth Control Handbook*: From Student Peer-Education Manual to Feminist Self-empowerment Text, 1968-1975," *Canadian Bulletin of Medical History/Bulletin canadien d'histoire de la médecine*, vol. 23, no 1 (2006): 89-117.

Read: Birth Control Handbook https://www.muvs.org/media/pdf/birth-control-handbook_tIFPm46.pdf

Watch: Trudeau: 'There's no place for the state in the bedrooms of the nation,' CBC Archives (2:21 minutes), <https://www.cbc.ca/archives/entry/omnibus-bill-theres-no-place-for-the-state-in-the-bedrooms-of-the-nation>

June 8, 2022 Homosexuality and Other Aspects of the Sexual Revolution

Listen: Jailed for homosexuality, CBC Archives (3:15 minutes), <https://www.cbc.ca/archives/entry/jailed-for-homosexuality>

Watch: Gay Rights in Canada 101 (6:56 minutes) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dPoZynpGwx4>

Read: Stuart Chambers, "Pierre Elliott Trudeau and Bill C-150. A Rational Approach to Homosexual Acts, 1968-69," *Journal of Homosexuality*, vol. 57, No. 2 (2010): 249-66.

Read: Tom Hooper, "Queering '69: The recriminalization of homosexuality in Canada," *Canadian Historical Review*, vol. 100, No. 2 (June 2019): 257-73.

June 13, 2022 Students and Higher Education.

Read: Roberta Lexier, "'The Backdrop Against Which Everything Happened': English-Canadian Student Movements and Off-Campus Movements for Change," *History of Intellectual Culture* vol. 7, No. 1 (2007). OPEN ACCESS <https://www.ucalgary.ca/hic/issues/vol7/3>

Read: Ian Milligan, "Coming Off the Mountain: Forging an Outward-Looking New Left at Simon Fraser University," *BC Studies*, No. 171 (Autumn 2011): 69-91. OPEN ACCESS

June 15, 2022 University Students, Rochdale, and Sir George Williams.

Watch: Ninth Floor (National Film Board, 81 minutes), https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=9th+floor+riot

Watch: Sir George Williams Protest: 50 years later (5:31 minutes) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lf6CkYgTHG0>

June 20, 2022 Workshop on the first assignment

Reading week (June 21-24, 2022)

June 27, 2022 State Surveillance and the RCMP

Read: Steve Hewitt, "'Information Believed True': RCMP Security Intelligence Activities on Canadian University," *Canadian Historical Review*, volume 81, No. 2 (June 2000): 191-228.

Read: Gary Kinsman, "'Character Weaknesses' and 'Fruit Machines': Towards an Analysis of the Anti-Homosexual Security Campaign in the Canadian Civil Service," *Labour-Le Travail*, vol. 35 (Spring 1995): 133-61.

Watch: RCMP uses 'fruit machine' to detect gays (6:49 minutes), <https://www.cbc.ca/archives/entry/rcmp-uses-fruit-machine-to-detect-gays>

June 29, 2022 Some Social Actors of the Sixties: Women

Read: Barbara Freeman, "Same/Difference : The Media, Equal Rights and Aboriginal Women in Canada, 1968," *Canadian Journal of Native Studies*, vol. 18, No. 1 (1998): 87-115 OPEN ACCESS

Read: Jessica Haynes, "Help for All Parents? Child-rearing Advice in English Canada in the 1960s and 1970s," *Social History-Histoire sociale*, vol. 44, No. 87 (May 2011): 53-82.

Listen: Status of Indigenous Women discussed at Bird Commission hearing, CBC Archives (6:42 minutes), <https://www.cbc.ca/archives/entry/status-of-aboriginal-women>

Watch: Prospects for the Bird Commission report, CBC Archives (4:29 minutes), <https://www.cbc.ca/archives/entry/prospects-for-the-bird-commission-report>

July 4, 2022 The FLQ crisis in Quebec

Read: Manifesto of the FLQ
<http://faculty.marianopolis.edu/c.belanger/quebechistory/docs/october/manifest.htm>

Read: Dominique Clément, "The October Crisis of 1970: Human Rights Abuses Under the War Measures Act," *Journal of Canadian Studies*, vol. 42, No. 2 (2008): 160-86.

Watch: "Just Watch Me," CBC Archives (7:33 minutes) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XfUq9b1XTa0>

Watch: The Journal examines the October Crisis, 20 years later, CBC Archives (15:51 minutes), <https://www.cbc.ca/archives/entry/the-journal-examines-the-october-crisis-20-years-later>

July 6, 2022 Public Policy and Languages

Read: Marcel Martel, "The 1969 Official Languages Act: A Turning Point, but for Whom", *The Canadian Historical Review*, vol. 100. No. 2 (June 2019): 208-222.

Read: Assessing the Official Languages Act Education Guide by the Historica Foundation

http://education.historicacanada.ca/files/566/Official_Languages_Act_Education_Guide_FINAL_PAGES.pdf

Watch: A Thousand and One Opinions on Bilingualism, CBC Archives (6:11 minutes), <http://www.cbc.ca/archives/entry/bilingualism-a-thousand-and-one-opinions>

July 11, 2022 Ethnicity and Public Policy

Read: Christian Champion, "Courting 'Our Ethnic Friends': Canadianism, Britishness, and New Canadians, 1950-1970," *Canadian Ethnic Studies*, vol. 38, No. 1 (2006): 23-46.

Read: Julia Lalonde, "The Roots of Multiculturalism-Ukrainian-Canadian Involvement in the Multiculturalism Discussion of the 1960s as an Example of the Position of the 'Third Force'," *Canadian Ethnic Studies*, vol. 38, No. 1 (2006): 47-64.

Watch: Africville is an eyesore, CBC archives (9:24 minutes), <https://www.cbc.ca/archives/entry/africville-is-an-eyesore>

Watch: Reflecting on the legacy of Africville, Your Morning, CTV (7:49 minutes),
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=avA5gHsp9ic>

July 13, 2022 Indigenous People

Read: Allyson Stevenson, "Selling the Sixties Scoop: Saskatchewan's Adopt Indian and Métis Project," *Active History* <http://activehistory.ca/2017/10/selling-the-sixties-scoop-saskatchewans-adopt-indian-and-metis-project/>

Read: Valerie Lannon, "From the Red Power movement to Idle No More," <http://www.socialist.ca/node/1872>

Read: Government of Canada, *Statement of the Government of Canada on Indian Policy, 1969*,
http://publications.gc.ca/collections/collection_2014/aadnc-aandc/R32-2469-eng.pdf

Read: Scott Rutherford, "'We Have Bigotry All Right –but No Alabamas': Racism and Aboriginal Protest in Canada during the 1960s," *American Indian Quarterly*, vol. 41, No. 2 (Spring 2017): 158-79.

Watch: Separating children from parents: The Sixties Scoop in Canada (4 minutes),
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nmd6HXKXYU>

July 18, 2022 Social Activism: Greenpeace and the Environment

Read: Ryan O'Connor, "An Ecological Call to Arms: The Air of Death and the Origins of Environmental Activism in Ontario," *Ontario History*, vol. 105, No. 1 (Spring 2013): 19-46. **Open Access**
<https://www.erudit.org/en/journals/onhistory/2013-v105-n1-onhistory03918/1050745ar/>

Read: Philip Van Huizen, "Panic Park: Environmental Protest and the Politics of Parks in British Columbia's Skagit Valley," *BC Studies*, vol. 170 (Summer 2011): 67-92. **Open Access**
<https://ojs.library.ubc.ca/index.php/bcstudies/article/view/1988/2222>

Watch: DDT Let's put it everywhere 1946 (5 minutes), <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-UiCSvQvVys>

Watch: DDT so safe you can eat it 1947 (1:04 minutes), <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gtcXXbuR244>

Watch: Silent Spring by Rachel Carson (10:58 minutes), <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lpbc-6lvMQI>

July 20, 2022 The Viet Nam war and its Consequences in Canada

Listen: How to desert the U.S. Arm in three steps, CBC archives (8:31 minutes),
<https://www.cbc.ca/archives/entry/draft-dodgers-how-to-desert-the-us-army-in-three-steps>

Read: David S. Churchill, 'An Ambiguous Welcome: Vietnam Draft Resistance, the Canadian State, and Cold War Containment,' *Social History-Histoire sociale*, vol. 37, No. 73 (May 2004): 1-26.

Read: Luke Stewart, “‘Hell, they’re your problem, not ours’: Draft Dodgers, Military Deserters and Canada-United States Relations in the Vietnam War Era,” *Revue interdisciplinaire des études canadiennes en France*, vol. 85 (2018) **Open Access**

<https://journals.openedition.org/eccs/1479?lang=en>

Read: “Give Peace a Chance”: American Vietnam War Resisters, Dick, Margot and Roger Share Their Stories,” online exhibit, Canadian Museum of Immigration at Pier 21

<https://pier21.ca/canadian-stories/give-peace-a-chance>

July 25, 2022 Medicare

Read: Felicity Pope, “Political Cartoonists Respond to Medicare,” *Canadian Bulletin of Medical History*, vol. 26, No. 2 (2009): 333-51. <https://www.utpjournals.press/doi/pdf/10.3138/cbmh.26.2.333>

Read: Lorne Brown and Doug Taylor, “From Saskatchewan’s breakthrough to Canada-wide coverage,” <https://canadiandimension.com/articles/view/the-birth-of-medicare>

Watch: Saskatchewan Doctors strike 1962 (12:09 minutes) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sotOWDL_uOY

July 27, 2022 Class Presentations

August 1, 2022 Civic Holiday (No Classes)

August 3, 2022 Class Presentations

August 8, 2022 Class Presentations