

# Course Outline: Spain's Global Empire, 1500-1900

## DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

*Note for students: This short course outline is provided for planning purposes only. Course information is tentative and subject to change; the final course syllabus will be available by the first day of classes.*

### Course Code

AP/HIST 3701 6.0A Spain's Global Empire, 1500-1900

### Course Description

Few states in history have had the global impact of the Spanish crown, which established control over large parts of the Americas and Southeast Asia during the 16th century. This course seeks to explain how this vast assemblage functioned and held together for so long. In particular, we will examine how diverse non-European peoples responded to, and participated in, Spanish rule. The Fall Term will cover the expansion and stabilization of the Spanish empire during the 16th century. In the first half of the Winter Term, we will discuss how non-Hispanic peoples engaged with Spanish colonial culture; the second half focuses on the empire's disintegration over the course of the 19th century, with emphasis on the Philippines and Cuba, which Spain held until 1898.

### Course Delivery

Delivery Mode: LECT

### Course Materials

Matthew Restall and Kris Lane, *Latin America in Colonial Times* (2nd edition). Cambridge University Press.

Patricio N. Abinales and Donna J. Amoroso, *State and Society in the Philippines* (2nd edition). Rowman and Littlefield.

*Both books are available as ebooks from the publishers and on Kindle.*

## Tentative Grade Breakdown and Deadlines

Essay 1 (October 14): 10%

Take-Home Exam 1 (November 4): 20%

Take-Home Exam 2 (in December, date TBA): 15%

History of an Object Presentation (January 31): 10%.

Essay 2 (February 18): 20%

Final assignment: 25%. Choice between an essay on a set topic or a take-home exam (in April).