



# PERSPECTIVES on the THAI Past

## COURSE DESCRIPTION

The origins of the Thai people in pre-historic times to the late twentieth century; an alternative view that incorporates the different regions and various ethnic groups that make up present-day Thailand; key issues in Thai history; analysis of the classics of Thai historiography; evaluation and interpretation of a range of primary sources dealing with the Thai past; an understanding of how history is written.



## COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

After a successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Describe the main events and developments in Thai history from pre-history to the late twentieth century
- Recognize and assess how the main events and developments in recent Thai history affect Thailand today
- Understand and apply historical concepts and methodologies
- Explain and examine how different regions and minority groups have interacted with the Thai state and the Thai majority throughout history
- Discuss, analyze and evaluate selected primary sources of significance to Thai history
- Express and defend one's own ideas, while commenting on other people's opinions constructively
- Cite and acknowledge the ideas of others in their own work in accordance with academic standard

## CLASS TOPICS

- Prehistory and Early Thai Kingdoms
- Trade and Warfare in Early Bangkok Period
- Western Imperialism and the Creation of The Modern Thai State
- The Decline and Fall of the Thai Absolute Monarch
- Beliefs, religions, local wisdom in Thai Culture
- Thailand's Status in ASEAN Communities
- Folk culture, customs and festivals in Thailand.
- Old and Modern Cultural landscape

## TEACHING METHODS

- Field Trips
- Workshop
- Visualization
- Cooperative Learning
- Inquiry based instruction

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MAY 31, 2020

## TEACHING MEDIA

- Outside of classroom Online discussion through Flip grid
- Power-point presentations
- Handouts
- Documentary film

## MEASUREMENT AND EVALUATION OF STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

- 2 group projects
- 4 paper reports
- After Class Online Discussion

