COURSE NO. 771

COURSE TITLE History of Modern Indonesia and Malaysia

INSTRUCTOR Smail

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This is an advanced reading-and-discussion course. It is intended mainly for graduates but has usually had a few undergraduate members. A background (such as History 458: Modern Southeast Asia, or experience in the area) is desirable but not absolutely necessary. A few years ago an undergraduate member with no background wrote a paper that was later published in a scholarly journal. Undergraduates must get my consent.

The main work of the course consists of a fairly heavy load of reading, required and optional. The two 1 1/2 hours a week sessions consist of discussions, based on short discussion papers on set topics prepared by student members and distributed in advance. Each member produces 2 such papers and leads discussions when they are presented. The course finishes at the end of the 14th week.

LECTURES

None.

WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS and EXAMINATIONS

See above.

GRADING SYSTEM

Based on the two discussion papers and participation in discussions.

REQUIRED READINGS

A few are in the bookstores. Most are in the Reserve Collection or borrowable from my office.