Southeast Asia is a region that today consists of eleven nations: Brunei, Cambodia (Kampuchea), East Timor, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar (Burma), Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam, each with its own history, cultural and ethnic diversity, and political and socio-economic conditions. Nevertheless, it is a region--between China and India--that possesses many cultural and historical similarities and continuities that make it unique. This course is intended to provide a general introduction to Southeast Asia's past and present. The course is organized chronologically around three broad periods: 1) traditional states and societies (to ca.1830); 2) colonial transformations and indigenous responses (ca.1830-1945); and 3) the emergence of modern nations (since 1945). Within these broad time frames, the course will explore several topics and themes, among them: the origins of indigenous states; religious conversion and practice; ethnicity, social organization, and gender relations; the impact of colonial domination; modern social and economic transformations; responses to colonial rule; the development of nationalist and socialist-communist movements and revolutions; the nature of post-colonial societies and political systems; ethnic conflict and national integration; the impact of Cold War international relations; and U.S. involvement and intervention in the region. Given the size and diversity of the region, the course will concentrate on three Southeast Asian countries: Philippines, Indonesia, and Thailand--those countries that are the primary research areas of UW-Madison's Southeast Asia program and for which significant resources exist on campus: course offerings (including in languages), library holdings, and study abroad opportunities.

There is no textbook for this course. All the readings have been scanned and are available on Canvas. In addition to a range of publications by major scholars in the field of Southeast Asian studies, there will be critical readings from two important general histories of Southeast Asia: *The Emergence of Modern Southeast Asia*, edited by Norman G. Owen, et al (Honolulu: University of Hawai'i Press, 2005) and *A New History of Southeast Asia*, edited by M.C. Ricklefs, et al (Hampshire & NY: Palgrave Macmillan 2010). All the required readings are listed in this syllabus (below) and on each of the lecture outlines posted on Canvas. The required readings are intended to supplement the lectures and should be cited in the two major exams.
COURSE OUTLINE AND READING ASSIGNMENTS

* - all reading materials available on Canvas

I. TRADITIONAL STATES & SOCIETIES: SOUTHEAST ASIA TO ca.1830

LECTURE 01 -- September 8 & 13
INTRODUCTION


LECTURE 02 – September 15 & 20
SOUTHEAST ASIA TO 1500 (Lecture 02)

LECTURE 03 – September 22
"GALACTIC" POLITIES & PRECOLONIAL SOCIAL ORGANIZATION (Lecture 03)

LECTURE 04 – September 27 & 29
EARLY MODERN GALACTIC POLITIES: MAINLAND: 1500-1830 (Lecture 04)

LECTURE 05 – October 4 & 6
MARITIME SOUTHEAST ASIA & EUROPEAN ADVANCES: 1500-1830
    * See Chronology of European Penetration (lecture outline on Canvas)

LECTURE 06 – October 11
RELIGIONS & RELIGIOUS LIFE

MIDTERM EXAMINATION:
    Objective Part: in class (15 minutes): October 11
    Take-Home Part: available on Canvas: October 11
    Take-Home Part: submitted on Canvas: October 13 (by 11:59pm)

II. COLONIAL TRANSFORMATIONS & INDIGENOUS RESPONSES TO 1945

LECTURE 07 -- October 13
OVERVIEW:
CONQUESTS, COLONIAL STATES, & HIGH COLONIALISM: ca.1800-1945
LECTURE 08 -- October 18
OVERVIEW:
INDIGENOUS RESPONSES, NATIONALISM, & JAPANESE OCCUPATION
READINGS: * Owen, el al, Emergence of Modern Southeast Asia (2005): 252-279 (Channels of Change).

III. THE EMERGENCE OF THREE MODERN NATIONS

PHILIPPINES

LECTURES 09, 10, & 11 -- October 20, 25, & 27, November 1
CONFRONTING THREE EMPIRES: SPANISH, AMERICAN, JAPANESE
SPANISH RULE: 1565-1898 (Lecture 09)
RISE OF FILIPINO NATIONALISM TO 1902 (Lecture 10)
AMERICAN RULE & JAPANESE OCCUPATION: 1898-1946 (Lecture 11)

LECTURE 12 -- November 3 & 8
PHILIPPINE REPUBLIC: ELITE DEMOCRACY & AUTHORITARIAN RULE

INDONESIA

LECTURE 13 -- November 10
NETHERLANDS INDIES: INDONESIA IN THE MAKING

LECTURE 14 -- November 15 & 17
EMERGING INDONESIAN NATIONALISM: 1900-1949

LECTURE 15 -- November 22, & 29
INDONESIA: GUIDED DEMOCRACY, NEW ORDER, DEMOKRASI
THAILAND

LECTURE 16 -- December 1 & 6
AVOIDING COLONIALISM--OVERCOMING THE MONARCHY: TO 1946

WRITING PROJECTS DUE: On or Before: December 8th (on Canvas)

LECTURE 17 -- December 8 & 13
MILITARY RULE, "NETWORK MONARCHY" & POPULAR DEMOCRACY

* Learning goals: by the end of the course, students should be able
  * to demonstrate knowledge of SE Asia's past & present, in particular Indonesia, Thailand, & the Philippines.
  * to analyze the information presented within a comparative & interdisciplinary framework.
  * to develop more effective oral & writing skills.

* Note to Students: This course meets as a group for 4 hours per week & carries the expectation that you will spend an average of 2 hours outside of class for every hour in the classroom. As such, please plan to allot an average of 8 hours a week for reading, writing, & preparing for discussions, and/or for studying for exams.