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*"...moment comes, which comes but rarely in history, when we step out from the old to the new; when an age ends; and when the soul of a nation long suppressed finds utterance... At the dawn of history India started on her unending quest, and trackless centuries are filled with her striving and the grandeur of her successes and failures. Through good and ill fortune alike she has never lost sight of that quest or forgotten the ideals which gave her strength. We end today a period of ill fortune and India discovers herself once again..."* - Jawaharlal Nehru (1947)

**Course description**

In the last two decades, India has changed from a country that could not feed its own people to becoming an agricultural exporter. The Indian software industry has grown at an annual rate of 40-50% for more than a decade. During the next three decades, India is expected to emerge as the third largest economy in the world, behind only those of the United States and China. India today already has the world's largest middle class, is a nuclear power, and has advanced space capabilities. Indian Institutes of Technology and the Indian Institutes of Management produce some of the world's most gifted engineers and managers.

This course examines the complex dynamics of India's emergence as an independent modern nation and its continuance as a vibrant democracy. It examines the ways in which the Indian democratic experience has shaped and been shaped by its history, culture, political structures, society and economy. The course focuses on India's role in the world and the major elements of its foreign policy.

**The course is open to graduate students and under-graduates with junior and senior standing. University's Code of Academic Conduct will apply. Please make sure you are familiar with the code, especially with rules relating to plagiarism.**

Students are expected to read The New York Times daily to be able to follow both international and domestic developments related to the themes of the course. We will be discussing relevant events in class on a regular basis so it is important for you to be current on what is happening around you. Access to the full daily edition of The Times is available on-line. You may also subscribe, or view hard-copy versions at Mugar library.

## **Grading**

Class participation	20%
Mid-term	30%
Final Exam (for Undergrads) /	
Term Paper (for graduate students)	50%

## **Weekly schedule**

### ***Week 1***

#### ***General Introduction***

(Hardgrave – Introduction; Sunil Khilnani – Introduction; Jawaharlal Nehru – Discovery of India; Time- India Awakens. June 2006; The Economist *Survey on India*. “Can India Fly?” June 3-9, 2006 (14 page report))

### ***Weeks 2 & 3***

#### ***Indian National Movement, Congress and Muslim League, Partition***

(Jalal – Jinnah Sole Spokesman: Introduction, Chapters 5 & 6; Maulana Azad- India Wins Freedom – Chapters 14, 15 & Epilogue; S Cohen – India: Emerging Power – Chapter 1; Ian Talbot – Chapters 1, 6, 7 & 8; Hardgrave – Chp 2)

### ***Week 4***

***Political-Civil Institutions – Judiciary, Army, Civil Services and Political Parties*** (Federal structure of government, Autonomy of state Governments, Independent judiciary, Powerful but non-political army, ‘steel frame’ bureaucracy); Emergency Era 1975-77 (Hardgrave – Chps 3, 4 & 8; Khilnani – Chapter 1; Cohen – Chapter 4)

### ***Week 5***

#### ***Changes post 1990s –Political (Punjab, North East, Tamil Nadu – LTTE, Kashmir) Anti-Sikh riots***

(Hardgrave – Chps 6 & 7; Wirsing – Chapter 3; Dixit – India and Pak – Chapter 8; Ganguly – India as an Emerging Power – Chapter 3; Sumit Ganguly. “Will Kashmir Stop India’s Rise.” Foreign Affairs. July/August 2006. Husain Haqqani. “Pakistan’s Endgame in Kashmir.” India Review. 2003)

### ***Week 6***

#### ***Economic Growth and Development***

(Hardgrave – Chp 9; Bardhan- Chapters 1 to 3; Bhagwati – Chapters 1 & 9)

### **Week 7**

#### **Changes post 1990s – Social (Mandal Commission, Rise of Hindutva-BJP-RSS –VHP, Ayodhya-Babri Masjid 1992, Bombay blasts, Gujarat riots 2002)**

(Ashutosh Varshney. "India defies the Odds: Why democracy survives?" *Journal of Democracy*. 9:3. (1998)pp 36-50; Sumit Ganguly. "India's Multiple Revolutions: South Asia faces the Future." *Journal of Democracy*.13:1.(2002) pp 38-51; Sumit Ganguly. "The Crisis of Indian Secularism." *Journal of Democracy*. 14:4 (2003) pp 11-25)

### **Week 8**

#### **Changes post 1990s – Economic (Liberalization post 1991, Service industry, software, outsourcing, End of 'inspector-license-quota Raj')**

(Gurcharan Das. "The India Model." *Foreign Affairs* July-August 2006; New York Times Select on Indian Infrastructure)

### **Week 9**

#### **Foreign Policy during Cold War – NAM**

(Hardgrave – Chp 10; Ganguly – India as an Emerging Power – Introduction; Cohen – India - Chapters 3 & 8; Mohammed Ayoob. "India Matters." *Washington Quarterly*. 23:1.(2000) pp 27-39)

### **Week 10**

#### **India's Nuclear and Strategic Policy, Counter-terrorism**

(Cohen –India - Chapters 5 & 6; S. Talbott – Chapters 1, 2, 3, 8, 9 & 11; Ganguly – India as an Emerging Power – Chapter 4; Ashton Carter. "America's New Strategic Partner." *Foreign Affairs*. July/August 2006. Ashton Carter. "How Washington Learned to Stop Worrying and Love India's Bomb." *Foreign Affairs*. January 2007; Teresita Schaffer. "Civilian Nuclear Deal with India: Another Step Down a Long Road." CSIS. November 2006; Brahma Chellaney. "South Asia's Passage to Nuclear Power." *International Security*. 16:1. (Summer 1991) pp 43-72)

### **Week 11**

#### **India and its South Asian Neighbors (especially relations with Pakistan)**

(Ganguly – Conflict Unending – Chapters Introduction, 1, 2, 3 & 6; Dixit – India and Regional Developments – Chapters 11 to 13; Dixit – Anatomy – Chapters 11 to 15; Dixit – India and Pak – Chapter 10; C. Christine Fair. "India and Iran: New Delhi's Balancing Act." *Washington Quarterly*. 30:3. Summer 2007. pp 145-159; Imtiaz Bokhari. "South Asia Regional Cooperation: Progress, Problems, Potential and Prospects." *Asian Survey* 25:4 (April 1985) pp 371-390; Mohammed

Ayoob. "The Primacy of the Political: South Asian Regional Cooperation in Comparative Perspective." *Asian Survey* 25:4 (April 1985) pp 443-457)

### **Week 12**

#### ***Indo-US relations (Kennedy, Carter, Clinton, post 9/11) New Indo-US alliance and treaties***

(Ganguly – India as an Emerging Power – Chapter 2; J Singh – Chapters 1 & 5 ; Cohen –India - Chapter 9; Dixit – India and Regional Developments – Chapters 1 to 7; C. Raja Mohan.

"Balancing Interests and Values: India's Struggle with Democracy Promotion." *Washington*

*Quarterly*. 30:3. Summer 2007. pp 99-115; Xenia Dormandy. "Is India or Will It be a Responsible International Stakeholder?" *Washington Quarterly*. 30:3. Summer 2007. pp 117-130)

### **Week 13**

#### ***Relations with China and Russia/ Soviet Union***

(Ganguly – India as an Emerging Power – Chapters 5 & 6; Jing-dong Yuan. "The Dragon and the Elephant: Chinese-Indian Relations in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century." *Washington Quarterly*. 30:3. Summer 2007. pp 131-144)

### **Week 14**

#### ***Future & Summing up***

(Cohen –India - Chapter 10; C. Raja Mohan. "India and the Balance of Power." *Foreign Affairs*. July-August 2006; Omkar Goswami. "Humility not Hubris Will Make India Great." *Far Eastern Economic Review*. December 2005)

### **Required Readings**

(Students must acquire these books for the duration of the course)

- Stephen P. Cohen, India: Emerging Power (Washington D.C.: Brookings Institution, 2001)
- Sumit Ganguly (ed.) India as an Emerging Power (London: Frank Cass Publishers, 2003 paperback edition)
- Robert L. Hardgrave and Stanley Kuchanek. India: Government and Politics in a Developing Nation 7<sup>th</sup> Edn (Thomson Wadsworth. 2008)
- Sunil Khilnani Idea of India (New York, Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 1997)

### **Recommended Reading**

(These books would be useful for students in expanding their knowledge of the subject. Students do not need to buy these books. The books will, however, be on reserve in the library and should be used as additional readings and source material for preparation of term papers)

- Walter Andersen. Brotherhood in Saffron (Boulder,CO, Westview Press, 1987)
- Jagdish Bhagwati, India in Transition (New York, Oxford University Press, 1993)
- JN Dixit - India & Pakistan – Regional Developments (New Delhi, Gyan Publishing House, 1990)
- Christopher Jaffrelot, The Hindu Nationalist Movement and Indian Politics, 1925 to the 1990s (New Delhi: Penguin, 1999);
- Jawaharlal Nehru Discovery of India (New York, Oxford University Press, 1990)
- Jaswant Singh Defending India (New York, Palgrave Macmillan, February 1999)
- Strobe Talbot Engaging India: Diplomacy, Democracy, and the Bomb (Washington DC, Brookings, 2004)

**Office Hours**

Tuesday and Thursday

2 pm – 4pm

*Other times by appointment via email*