

HTST 531 – CANADIAN HISTORIOGRAPHY

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WEDNESDAY, 1400-1645 HOURS

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This seminar course will explore the main trends, theories, ideas and interpretations in the writing of Canadian history in both English-speaking and French-speaking Canada from 1900 to approximately 1980s. It will focus on the ideas and interpretations of some of the major historians in the French-Canadian and English-Canadian historical tradition.

As a 500 level seminar course, the emphasis will be on student participation in weekly discussions based on a common set of readings as set out below. As well, each student will be responsible for giving one seminar report, which will be a more in-depth study of the ideas and interpretations of a Canadian historian or an elaboration on a particular theme in the writing of Canadian history, and to initiate discussion during the seminar in which the report is given. There will be no lectures in the course.

REQUIRED TEXTS:

Primary Documents Collection

Berger, Carl. The Writing of Canadian History: Aspects of English-Canadian Historical Writing Since 1900. 2nd ed.

Rudin, Ronald. Making History in Twentieth-Century Quebec. (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 1997) (pb)