

## Course Description

### Middlebury College School in Russia

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**University:** Irkutsk State University

**Department & Sub-dept:** International Department

**Course Title:** Siberian History (HIST 2438)

**Instructor:** Ishenko, Yelena Nikolaevna

**Course length:** 1 semester

**Course type:** lecture

**Hours/week:** 4

#### **Course Goal:**

To give the students a general overview of the main steps in the conquering of Siberia; of the native people, the settlers; about the life of Russians and other immigrants to Siberia.

#### **Reading materials:**

- I. Recommended Literature
  1. Naumov, I.V. History of Siberia. Lecture course. –Irkutsk, 2003
  2. Kuznetsova, F.S. History of Siberia. Part 1. Integration with Russia. – Novosibirsk: INFOLIO, 2004.
  3. Zverev, V.A., Zuev, A.S., Kuznetsova, F.S. History of Siberia. Part 2. Siberia as part of the Russian Empire. – Novosibirsk: INFOLIO, 2001
  4. Isupov, V.A., Kuznetsov, I.S., History of Siberia. Part 3. Siberia: 20<sup>th</sup> Century. – Novosibirsk: INFOLIO, 2003.
  5. Zverev, V.L., Kuznetsova, F.S. History of Siberia. A Reader. Part 1. – Novosibirsk: INFOLIO, 2003
- II. Additional Literature
  1. History of Siberia. Tt. 1-4. –L.: Nauka, 1968.
  2. Rezun, D.Y., Vasilevskii, R.S. Chronicles of Siberian Cities. – Novosibirsk: Nauka, 1989.
  3. Liyutsidarskaya, A.A. Siberian Old-timers: Historical-Ethnographic Aspects. 17<sup>th</sup> to the beginning of the 18<sup>th</sup> C. – Novosibirsk: Nauka, 1992.
  4. Rezun D.Y. Genealogical basis for Siberian names. History of Siberia in Biographies and genealogies. – Novosibirsk: Nauka, 1993.
  5. Yadrinsev, N.M. Siberia as a Work-camp. – Novosibirsk, 2004.
  6. Slovtsov, P.A. Historical Overview of Siberia. Poetry, Sermon. – Novosibirsk, 1995.
  7. Miller, G.F. History of Siberia. M, 1941.
  8. Makarenko, A.A. Siberian Folk Calendar.- Novosibirsk, 1993.
  9. Krashennnikov, S.P. A description of the land of Kamchatka. –M., 1949.
  10. Living Tradition: Magazine about Russian folklore and traditional culture.

#### **Brief summary:**

1. Ermak's march on Siberia
2. The mastery of Western Siberia by explorers
3. The mastery of Eastern Siberia
4. E. Habarov's march on the Amur
5. Russian America

6. Peoples of Siberia: their general characteristics
7. Culture of Northern peoples of the tundra and taiga
8. Culture and beliefs of the Yakuts
9. Culture and beliefs of the Buryat
10. The governing of Siberia in the 17-18 Centuries
11. Social and economical development of Siberia in the 18-19 Centuries
12. Siberian Population in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century
13. Siberian reforms of M. Speransky
14. Decembrists in Siberia
15. Siberian division into Regions
16. The Great Siberian Way
17. Revolution in Siberia
18. Soviet Siberia
19. Aspects of economic development in Siberia. BAM.

**Evaluation of academic work:**

During the semester:

1. Oral questioning: each class period
2. Test: (zachot) 2 during the semester
3. Written work: every third class
4. Written homework (short papers): once a month, on course topics

At the end of the semester:

1. Exam: final exam
2. Written paper: one, on a course topic, 10 pages.
3. Oral presentation defending the written paper.