

Final Exam Review Sheet – Lecture Concepts

Adam L.'s Guest Lecture on Turkey (we can go over these in detail during the review)

The geographical imagination

The Kurds as a nation without a state

Purifying the space of the state – the Armenian Genocide

Lecture 7 + 8 – Sub-Saharan Africa

Modernization as a theory of development – Rostow's ladder, key critique

The postcolonial critique of development

Problems associated with measures of development, specifically Gross Domestic Product (GDP)

The Gini Coefficient – what does it measure?

Definition of sustainable development

The Sahelian zone as climatic and cultural divider

Disconnect between ethnic group boundaries and the borders of nation-states in Africa

One commodity countries in Africa, specifically those that focus on oil

Key characteristic of a failed state

Cartography of failed states; where are most of these states located?

Genocide and international law – examples of acts that constitute genocide

The genocide in Rwanda – what events/policies lead to the killings?

Endemic, epidemic, and pandemic diseases – scales at which outbreaks occur?

Lecture 9 – South Asia

The Mughal Empire – what is the cultural consequence of their reign?

The British East India Company as a bridgehead for the later, colonial project of the British Empire in South Asia

The Partition of India – along what line was the central cleavage?

The continuing fighting in Kashmir – location, which state is Kashmir part of, history of the conflict

Definition of Blowback

Afghanistan as the Soviet Vietnam – America’s role in the conflict

Afghanistan’s ethnic diversity – what is the main ethnic group in the country?

The Taliban – origins, opposition from the Northern Alliance

Lecture 10 – East Asia

Location of population density in China

Characteristics of China’s communist era: centrally planned economy, improved economic and social conditions, associated problems (the Cultural Revolution)

Economic liberalization in China under Deng, joining the WTO – what does this indicate more broadly?

The Three Gorges Dam – consequences that we discussed

Adam W.’s Guest Lecture on China

The one-child policy

Uyghurs – where are they concentrated?

The Hukou system

Lecture 11 – Southeast Asia

Colonial legacy in the region – which state wasn’t a colony?

Burma’s military junta

The Vietnam War – central characteristics

The Khmer Rouge in Cambodia – consequences of the movement

Bumiputera in Malaysia

The Singapore city-state – what type of government, strong economic growth

Migratory processes in Southeast Asia – rural-to-urban migration, movement outside of the region, refugee resettlement

Destination and origin countries for the maid trade

Characteristics of the sex industry

Lecture 12 – Oceania

El Nino conditions, particularly patterns of warm water and precipitation during such an event

Stipulations of the 1997 Kyoto Protocol

Three reasons why the US did not sign Kyoto

Climate justice – population vs. rates of emission

Island states threatened by global warming, connection to GDP per capita

Localized effects of global warming