

**HIST 260A, Canadian History 1500 - 1867**

*3 Credits, 3 Hours per week*

This course is an introduction to Canadian History from the first Amerindian-European contacts in the 1500s to Confederation in 1867. Among the topics to be discussed are Aboriginal/White relations, English/ French relations, political and economic developments in the colonies of New France and British North America. This course provides a foundation for senior and advanced courses in Canadian history.

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**Office Hours**

Monday 9:00 – 10:00am, 3:00 – 3:30pm

Wednesday 9:00 – 10:00am, 1:00 – 3:30pm

Thursday 9:00 – 10:00am

**Hours of Instruction**

Monday 3:30 – 4:50pm

Wednesday 3:30 – 4:50pm

**Required Resources**

**History of the Canadian Peoples Vol. 1 Beginnings to 1867**, Conrad, Finkel & Fyson, 7<sup>th</sup> edition

**Course Outcomes**

Upon successful completion of the course, the student shall be able to:

- Identify and explain the broad themes and key events in Canadian history.
- Assess and reflect upon the role played by indigenous peoples in the history of Canada.
- Critique the role European cultural institutions played in the settlement and culture of Canada.
- Think analytically and critically about historical issues and express those ideas with clarity and precision.
- Identify the historical source of fissures within contemporary societies.
- Identify and rationalize key movements, people, and events from our national past.
- Locate, access, and evaluate source material (both primary and secondary) for historical research.
- Complete an academic / argumentative essay that relies on academic sources.
- Assess the role that history can play in the development of agency among minority groups.
- Reflect on the teaching of history and the importance played by the presentation of our past.

## Evaluation

Students will be evaluated using the following weighting / criteria. Rubrics for all major assessments will be found on our course moodle page. Please take the time to read and understand the specific requirements for each task.

- **Course Participation and Attendance 10%**
- **Essay Proposal 5%**
- **Final Essay 25%**
- **Midterm Examination 20%**
- **Final Examination 40%**

### Course Participation and Attendance

Attendance is particularly important in a lecture-based course like History. Please ensure that you attend classes and ask questions to better understand the context and the connection between concepts of study. Students will be assessed based on their attendance and their willingness to ask and respond to questioning.

### Essay Proposal

The essay proposal for this course is unique in that its purpose is to ensure that students are engaging with enough scholarly materials to support a clear academic argument. Students must complete a passing essay proposal before they are able to submit their final essay. The rubric for this activity is found on our course moodle page. Students are encouraged to review all rubrics and ask questions of the instructor to ensure they complete the task within the assigned parameters.

### Final Essay

The final essay for this course is based upon the proposal listed above. Although a list of suggested topics is included in the rubric found on our moodle page, students are encouraged to pick a topic that they feel warrants further individual study. Your essay will be 6 – 8 pages in length and must meet the specific guidelines listed on your rubric.

### Midterm Examination

Your midterm exam is a chance to reflect upon the concepts studied at the beginning of this course. The exact time and date will be defined in class, but it will take place in mid-October. The exam will include short answer and essay question types. This examination will take place in class time.

### Final Examination

The final examination will ask students to reflect upon core ideas from throughout the course. The questions will include short answer and essay format. The exact date of the final exam is determined by the Registrars Office of Keyano College and will be communicated to students as soon as possible.

**Grading System**

Descriptor	Alpha Grade	4.0 Scale	Percent	Rubric for Letter Grades
Excellent	A+	4.0	> 92.9	Work shows in-depth and critical analysis, well developed ideas, creativity, excellent writing, clarity, and proper format.
	A	4.0	85 – 92.9	
	A-	3.7	80 – 84.9	
Good	B+	3.3	77 – 79.9	Work is generally of high quality, well developed, well written, has clarity, and uses proper format.
	B	3.0	74 – 76.9	
	B-	2.7	70 – 73.9	
Satisfactory	C+	2.3	67 – 69.9	Work has some developed ideas but needs more attention to clarity, style and formatting.
	C	2.0	64 – 66.9	
	C-	1.7	60 – 63.9	
Poor	D+	1.3	55 – 59.9	Work is completed in a general way with minimal support or is poorly written or did not use proper format.
<b>Minimum Pass</b>	D	1.0	50 – 54.9	
Failure	F	0.0	< 50	Responses fail to demonstrate appropriate understanding or are fundamentally incomplete.

**Proposed Schedule**

**Please Note:** The date and time allotted to each topic are subject to change.

Approximate Dates	Reading Chapters	Unit Topics
Aug 31 – Sept 12	1 & 2	Pre-History and Indigenous Peoples Pre-Contact
Sept 14 –26	3,4,5	European Exploration and Contact
Sept 28 –Oct 12	6,7	Trade, Empire and War
Oct 17		Midterm Examination (subject to change)
Oct 26 – Nov 7	8,9,10	An English Canada
Nov 9 -11		Readings Days / Remembrance Day
Nov 14 – Dec 1	11,12,13,14,15	Canada Towards Confederation

## Performance Requirements and Student Services

### Student Responsibilities

As a student, it is your responsibility to contact the Office of the Registrar to complete the required forms, including the Withdraw Course or Program or a Change of Registration form. Please refer to the important dates listed in the Academic Schedule in the [Keyano College credit calendar](#). The Keyano College credit calendar also has information about Student Rights and the Code of Conduct. It is the responsibility of each student to be aware of the guidelines outlined in the Student Rights and the Code of Conduct Policies.

### Student Attendance

Class attendance is helpful for two reasons: First, class attendance maximizes a student's learning experience. Second, attending class is an excellent way to keep informed of matters relating to the course administration (e.g., the timing of assignments and exams). Ultimately, you are responsible for your learning and performance in this course. It is the responsibility of each student to be prepared for all classes. Absent students are responsible for the material covered in those classes, and students must ensure they are ready for their next class, including completing any missed assignments and notes.

### Academic Misconduct

Students are considered responsible adults and should adhere to the principles of intellectual integrity. Intellectual dishonesty takes many forms:

- Plagiarism or the submission of another person's work as their own,
- The use of unauthorized aids in assignments or examinations (cheating),
- Collusion or the unauthorized collaboration with others in preparing work,
- The deliberate misrepresentation of qualifications,
- The willful distortion of results or data,
- Substitution in an examination by another person,
- Submitting unchanged work for another assignment, and
- Breach of confidentiality.

The consequences for academic misconduct range from a verbal reprimand to expulsion from the College. More specific descriptions and details are found in the Student Rights and Code of Conduct section of the Keyano College credit calendar. It is the responsibility of each student to be aware of the guidelines outlined in the Student Rights and Code of Conduct Policies. To ensure your understanding of plagiarism, you may be required to complete the online [Understanding Plagiarism tutorial](#) and submit the certificate of completion.

### Online Learning

Technology and internet connectivity will impact your online learning experience. You may be required to watch online videos, take online quizzes, or participate in live online classes. Live/virtual courses will be hosted in Microsoft Teams or Zoom. For all course delivery types, you will access your course resources on Keyano's learning management system: Moodle (iLearn). Login in using your [Keyano username and password](#). Keyano College operates in a Windows-based environment and having access to the correct tools for online learning is essential. Here's a list of recommended system requirements.

### Internet Speed

Minimum download and upload speeds of 10 Mbps. Recommended download speeds of 25 Mbps and upload speeds of 10 Mbps (if you are sharing your internet at home). You can check your internet speed with [Speedtest by Ookla](#).

**Computer System Requirements**

Microsoft Windows	Apple (Mac)
<p><b>Minimum Requirements:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Windows 10 Operating System or above</li> <li>4GB of RAM</li> <li>10GB available hard drive storage space                             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Install the Microsoft Office 365 suite (~3GB) *</li> </ol> </li> <li>Microphone, webcam, and speakers (All modern laptops have these three accessories built-in.)</li> <li>Windows has built-in anti-virus/malware software. It is essential to install system updates to keep your device secured regularly.</li> </ol> <p>*<a href="#">Microsoft Office 365</a> is free to Keyano students.</p>	<p><b>Minimum Requirements:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mac Operating System 10.14 (Monterey) or above</li> <li>4GB of RAM</li> <li>10GB available hard drive storage space                             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Install the Microsoft Office 365 suite (~3GB) *</li> </ol> </li> <li>Microphone, webcam, and speakers (All modern laptops have these three accessories built-in.)</li> <li>Mac has built-in anti-virus/malware software. It is important to install system updates to keep your device secured regularly.</li> </ol> <p>*<a href="#">Microsoft office 365</a> is free to Keyano students.</p>
<p><b>Recommended Upgrades</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8GB of RAM</li> <li>Regularly back up or synchronize your files, locally or with a cloud-based storage option.</li> </ul> <p>OneDrive is the cloud-based storage option free to students after the setup of KeyanoMail and Microsoft 365.</p>	<p><b>Recommended Upgrades</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8GB of RAM</li> <li>Regularly back up or synchronize your files locally or with a cloud-based storage option.</li> </ul> <p>OneDrive is the cloud-based storage option free to students after the setup of KeyanoMail and Microsoft 365.</p>
<p>Tablets, iPads, and Chromebooks are <b>not</b> recommended: they may not be compatible with the testing lockdown browsers and Microsoft Office 365.</p>	

**Specific Department Requirements**

Business and OA programs require Windows 10. Other programs may utilize Windows-based tools as well.

**Computer Software**

Students have access to Microsoft Office 365 and Read&Write for free using Keyano credentials.

**Recording of Lectures and Intellectual Property**

Students may only record a lecture if explicit permission is provided by the instructor or Accessibility Services. Even if students have permission to record a lecture or lecture materials, students may not share, distribute, or publish any of the lectures or course materials; this includes any recordings, slides, instructor notes, etc., on any platform. Thus, no student is allowed to share, distribute, publish or sell course-related content without permission. It is important to recognize that the Canadian Copyright Act contains provisions for intellectual property. The [Academic Integrity Policy](#) provides additional information on Keyano College's expectations from students as members of the intellectual community.

**ITS Helpdesk**

If you have issues with your student account, you can contact the ITS Helpdesk by emailing [its.helpdesk@keyano.ca](mailto:its.helpdesk@keyano.ca) or calling 780-791-4965.

**COVID-19** We are subject to provincial, and municipal bylaws, and policies. These decisions may change pending further direction from the Alberta Chief Medical Officer, Alberta Health Services, and other provincial guidelines. To protect yourself and others, get immunized, wash your hands, wear a mask, keep your distance (2m/6 ft) and remain home when feeling unwell. For the most recent COVID-19 information, please refer to [albertahealthservices.ca/COVID](https://albertahealthservices.ca/COVID).

**Specialized Supports** The Student Services Department is committed to Keyano students and their academic success. There is a variety of student support available at Keyano. All student services are available during Keyano business hours: Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The College is closed on statutory holidays. If you require support outside of regular business hours, please inform the support service team, and they will do their best to accommodate your needs.

**Accessibility Services** provides accommodations for students living with disabilities. Students with documented disabilities or who suspect a disability can meet with an Access Strategist to discuss their current learning barriers and possible accommodations. Students who have accessed accommodations in the past are encouraged to contact the department to request accommodations for the following semester. Please note that requesting accommodations is a process and requires time to arrange. Contact the department as soon as you know you may require accommodations. For accessibility supports and disability-based funding, please book an appointment by emailing us at: [accessibility.services@keyano.ca](mailto:accessibility.services@keyano.ca).

Accessibility Services also provides individual and group learning strategy instruction for all students and technology training and support to enhance learning. You can meet with an Access Strategist to learn studying and test-taking strategies. In addition, you can schedule an appointment with the Assistive Technology Specialist to explore technology tools for learning. Book an appointment today by emailing: [accessibility.services@keyano.ca](mailto:accessibility.services@keyano.ca)

**Wellness Services** offers a caring, inclusive, and respectful environment where students can access free group and individual support to meet academic and life challenges. Mental Health Coordinators provide a safe and confidential environment for you to seek help with personal concerns. Our Wellness Navigator offers support with basic needs such as housing, financial and nutritional support, and outside referrals when needed. Wellness Services welcomes students to participate in group sessions that address topics including mindfulness and test anxiety throughout the academic year. Individual appointments can be made by emailing [wellness.services@keyano.ca](mailto:wellness.services@keyano.ca).

**Library Services:** provides students with research, information, and education technology supports as they engage in their studies. Library staff are available to help you online and in person throughout the semester. Librarians offer individual and small group appointments booked using the online [Book A Librarian calendar](#). The Library also provides research and subject guides to help you with your studies. To view a subject or course-specific guide, check out the complete list of online [Subject Guides](#). To start your research and access citation guides (APA, MLA, Chicago, or IEEE), visit the [Research Help page](#). The Library's collections (including print and online materials) are searchable using [OneSearch](#). The Library offers a Loanable Technology collection to support students accessing and using technology. For an up-to-date list of technology available for borrowing, visit the Library's [Loanable Technology webpage](#). For a detailed list of library resources and services, go to [www.keyano.ca/library](http://www.keyano.ca/library). For all inquiries, please email [askthelibrary@keyano.ca](mailto:askthelibrary@keyano.ca) or [chat with us online](#).

**Academic Success Centre:** The Academic Success Centre at Keyano College (CC-119) provides **free** academic support services to registered students, such as tutoring, writing support, facilitated study groups, workshops, and study space. Academic Content Specialists are available in Mathematics, Science, Trades, Power Engineering, Upgrading/College Prep, Human Services, English, Humanities, and more. Students are encouraged to visit the Academic Success Centre to discuss study strategies and academic concerns. For additional information, please email [Academic.Success@keyano.ca](mailto:Academic.Success@keyano.ca).

**Academic Success Coach:** The Academic Success Coach is located in the Academic Success Centre and works with students to develop academic success plans, time management skills, study strategies, and homework plans. For additional information, please email [Academic.Success@keyano.ca](mailto:Academic.Success@keyano.ca).

## Authorization

This course outline has been reviewed and approved by the Program Chair.

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[First Name, Last Name], Chair

Date Authorized

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[First Name, Last Name], Dean

Date Authorized

## Signed copies to be delivered to:

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