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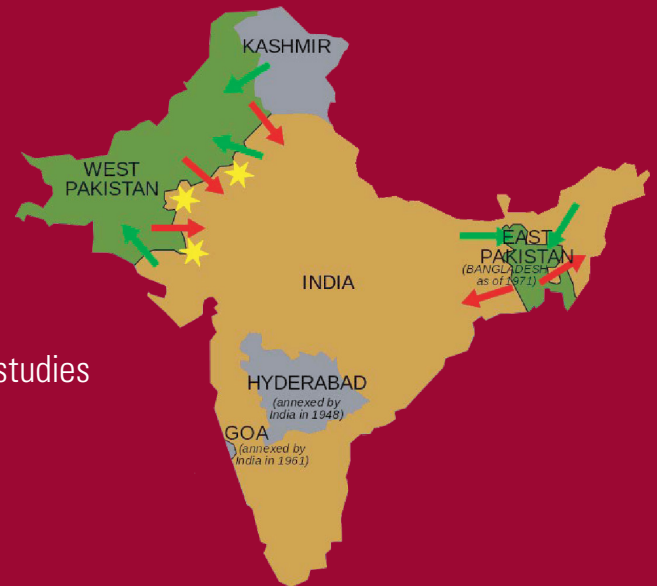
Displacement and Violence in the 1947 Partition of India

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Itinerary:

Wednesday, November 28: Travel to India

Thursday, November 29: Arrive in Kolkata, a.k.a. Calcutta, capital of British India and contemporary cultural capital of India

Friday, November 30: Kolkata (sightseeing tour)

Saturday, December 1: Kolkata (temples, memorials, museums)

Sunday, December 2: Varanasi, a.k.a. Benares, India's holiest city (Ghats of the Ganges River; evening Aarti ceremony)

Monday, December 3: Varanasi/Sarnath (Ganges cruise; tour of Varanasi; stupas, ruins and museum of Sarnath, where the Buddha delivered his first sermon)

Tuesday, December 4: Old Delhi, later capital of British India (Red Fort; Raj Ghat; Chandni Chowk Bazaar)

Wednesday, December 5: New Delhi (Parliament House; President's House; India Gate; Humayun's Tomb; Qutab Minar; Birla Temple)

Thursday, December 6: Amritsar (Wagah border ceremony; Golden Temple, holiest of the Sikh shrines)

Friday, December 7: Amritsar/Delhi

Saturday, December 8: Agra (Taj Mahal)

Sunday, December 9: Dharamsala (headquarters of the Tibetan government in exile and home of the Dalai Lama)

Monday, December 10: New Delhi (free day)

Tuesday, December 11: Return to Chicago



The Course (GLS 260-D6: Study Abroad in India)

When the British granted India independence in 1947, the country was divided into two sovereign nations- India and Pakistan- based on religious identity rather than language or ethnicity. The process involved displacement of between ten and twelve million people and led to unprecedented religious violence that resulted in as many as two million deaths. Our trip will begin in Kolkata (a.k.a. Calcutta, capital of British India from 1858-1911 and a significant destination for displaced Hindus fleeing from Bangladesh, which was part of Pakistan in the original Partition). From there we will continue westward to Varanasi (a.k.a. Benares, the holiest city in the Hindu tradition), New Delhi (capital of British India from 1911-1947 and of the Republic of India from 1947 to the present), and Amritsar (a major city in the region of Punjab, which was divided during the partition). The course will pursue an interdisciplinary approach to the issue of displacement and violence in the Partition of India with a special focus on religious, historical, and literary perspectives.

Enrollment Instructions

To enroll in GLS 260-D6, Study Abroad in India, students are required to:

- Meet with the faculty leader(s).
- Confer with their academic advisors.
- Complete a green "Add a Course/Instructor Consent" form and have it signed by the appropriate faculty leader.
- Bring the consent form to the Center for Global Education, Abe House, 48 E. Jefferson Ave., and fill out a brief application.
- Pay \$400 nonrefundable airfare deposit by April 20, 2018.

Registration Procedure: March 1-April 20, 2018

Beginning March 1, the Center for Global Education will enroll each student as each deposit is received, March 1-April 20. After April 20, students will be placed on a waiting list and notified if spaces become available. Students with the highest number of credits earned at the College will be given first priority. Final registration will appear in the student's Merlin account.

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Initial Deposit due April 20, 2018

Scholarships: Deadline March 9, 2018

A limited number of scholarships (up to \$1,000) will be awarded to selected sophomores, juniors and seniors with 3.0 or better GPA and demonstrable financial need. Applications are available in the the Center for Global Education and must be submitted by March 9, 2018.

Statement of Conditions

1. Estimated cost and minimum number of participants:

\$3,500 - \$3,800 based on a minimum of 20 registered students. The course will not be offered for less than 10 students. The price includes:

- Airfare: \$1,300 - \$1,500 (international and domestic)
- Program fee, including land expenses and most meals: \$2,200 - 2,300

2. Accommodation and meals:

Twin accommodation; breakfast and most meals included.

3. Payment schedule:

- \$400 nonrefundable airfare deposit due April 20, 2018.
- Balance of the airfare due no later than September 14, 2018, according to payment schedule determined by the faculty leaders; most deposits will be due during the summer.
- \$500 nonrefundable program fee deposit due October 12, 2018.
- Program fee balance is billed to the student's account in late November as part of the invoice for winter term 2019.
- In addition to these airfare and program fees, tuition for this course will be billed as part of each student's winter 2019 invoice.

4. Cancellation and refund policy:

- Refund schedules for airfares depend on individual airlines; faculty leaders will inform all participants of the relevant deadlines and policies.
- If the student participant drops the course before November 1, 2018, 50 percent of the remaining balance of the program fee will be refunded.
- If the student participant drops the course after November 1, 2018, 100 percent of the program fee is forfeited.

5. Exclusions:

The following items are NOT included in the fees listed above:

- Meals other than those included in the itinerary
- Optional entertainment and excursions
- Excess baggage charges
- Personal items, including telephone calls, laundry fees, room service
- Departure taxes (except U.S.)
- Passport fees

6. Other matters:

- **Proof of a valid passport is due May 9, 2018: EITHER a color copy of the photo ID and signature pages of a passport valid through June 20, 2019, OR a receipt from your passport.**
- All North Central College students are covered under a secondary insurance policy (EIIA) and will be given emergency information and telephone contacts by the lead professor.
- Every student participant is required to abide by College policies as outlined in the North Central College Student Handbook and by the rules listed on the course syllabus. If, in the judgment of a faculty member leading the course, a student has violated the course rules or College policy as stated in the Student Handbook, the student may be sent home at his or her own expense. In such circumstances, a student's parents may also be notified and additional disciplinary action may be taken by the College upon a student's return to the United States.
- All courses include required pre-departure sessions on campus and at least one follow-up session in January 2019 upon return.
- Final course assignments are due as specified on each course syllabus but no later than week 4 of winter term 2019.