

Spring 2021: Geog 375: Society/Spaces of South Asia: Dr. Madhuri Sharma: Tues/Thursdays: 2:50 pm - 4:05 [Virtual Synchronous]:

Thematic Focus on the following concerning South Asia:

- (i) Historical evolution and transition into a global economic player
- (ii) Population explosion, diaspora and migration issues
- (iii) Green revolution & Walmartization of South Asian economy
- (iv) Urbanization and poverty: Growth of slums and politics
- (v) Inequality: Globalization, South Asian Economy
- (vi) Gender Inequalities and crime against women
- (vii) Geopolitics: India-Pakistan-Sri Lanka & China's rising dominance
- (viii) Bollywood meets Hollywood and cultural fusion
- (ix) Complexity of caste, religion, gender violence
- (x) The McDonalidization of Aloo-tikki & Pizza Huts in South Asia



Teaching Methods/Grading Weights

Class lectures and attendance (10)

In-Class group discussions
(readings/movies) (20)

Movie/documentary critique (10)

Map and Pop Quizzes (10)

Midterm Exam (20)

Final Exam (30)

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