HIST 4455/Russian History

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Exams and papers.
There will be two exams, one paper, and 4 movie reviews.

Class schedule:

Introduction/Film/Discussion
No assignments

Lecture: Alexander I, Decembrists, Nicholas I.
Assignment: Read the textbook chapters 1.
Read the Russian documents, p. 1 pp. 21-45 posted on Vista/be prepared to answer ALL questions (beginning of each document).
Read Pushkin and Lermontov (Vista guidelines)
Foreign and domestic policies/Emancipation and other reforms
Russian empire expansion

Assignment: Read chapter 2 and problems. documents pp. 45-48 and look at the maps.

Russian culture of the 19th century/ My tender and affectionate beast/film

Assignment: Read chapter 5 and problems. Read Tolstoy or Dostoyevskiy or Chekhov.

Revolutionary movements and Revolution of 1905.

Assignment: Read chapter 3 and 4. Read Marx, Lenin, Nechaev, documents pp. 48-96

Revolution of 1917

Assignment: Read chapter 6 and 7 and problems, documents pp. 96-123

The White sun of the desert/film and Civil war

Assignment: Read chapter 8 and problems, documents pp. 124-145

February 28. NEP and New Industrialization, Collectivization

http://images.library.pitt.edu/cgi-bin/i/image/image-idx?c=stalinka

Assignment: Read chapter 9, 10 and problems, documents pp. 146-194

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Stalinism /Circus-film/Discussion

Assignment: Read chapter 11 and problems

Cultural Revolution/The Heart of the Dog-film and Discussion

Assignment: Read chapter 12 and problems.

Inner Circle-film

Assignment: Read chapter 13 and problems
Great Patriotic war/The Cranes are Flying-film

Assignment: Read chapter 14 and problems, documents pp. 194-220

PAPER IS DUE

The Thaw/The 50s and the 60s/ Vesna na Zarechnoi ulitse-film

Assignment: Read chapter 15 and problems, documents pp. 220-247
Read and explain:
http://max.mmlc.northwestern.edu/~mdenner/Demo/texts/porcupines.htm

Brezhnev, stagnation and life/The Diamond Arm-film

Assignment: Read chapter 16 and 17 and problems, documents pp. 247-250

The Irony of Faith-film

Assignment: Read chapter 17 and 18 and problems

The 1980s. Discussion.

Final exam is due