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SE ,Drugs and Empires' Historical Perspectives on the Trade, Consumption and Control of Intoxicants (c. 1700-2000)



Opium-smoker in Vietnam, French postcard (1909)

This course will look at the historical trajectory of the interaction between the politics of colonial or quasi-colonial empires and the cultivation, trade, and consumption of mood altering substances in the period between roughly 1700 and 2000. Apart from the economic aspects of drug-trafficking, cultural and social consequences of production and consumption on both sides of the imperial divide are put under scrutiny. The course aims at providing historical background knowledge regarding the controversies about drugs and the fight against them. It is designed to enhance the students' capability to deconstruct normative discourses, thereby fostering their analytical skills and sharpening their critical acumen. The subject matter does not only relate to problems of a mere historical nature, as the topic under study still is of critical relevance today. Students are expected to be present in 80% of the sessions, take part in the discussion of the weekly mandatory readings, prepare an individual or group presentation and submit the written summary of a survey text.

TIME:	Monday 15:15-16:45
LOCATION:	IFW C 33
INSTRUCTOR OF RECORDS	Prof. Dr. Harald Fischer-Tiné
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SESSION OUTLINE

(☛ = mandatory readings available online)

Session 1 (20. 02. 2017) **Introduction to the course**

- MILLS, James and BARTON, Patricia, T., 'Introduction', in: idem (eds) *Drugs and Empires. Essays in Modern Imperialism and intoxication*, Houndmills-New York, 2007, pp. 1-16. ☛
- DERRIDA, Jacques, 'Rhétorique de la Drogue', in: *Autrement*, 106, 1989, pp. 197-214.

Session 2 (27. 02. 2017) **OPIUM I Opium production in India and consumption in China in the 18th and 19th centuries**

- DIKÖTTER, F./LAAMANN, L./XUN, Z., *Narcotic Culture. A History of Drugs in China*, London 2004, pp. 24-45.
- SPENCE, Jonathan, 'Opium Smoking in Ch'ing China', in: idem, *Chinese Roundabout: Essays in History and Culture*, New York 1992, pp. 228-256.
- YANGWEN, Zheng, *The Social Life of Opium in China*, Cambridge 2005, pp. 41-86. ☛
- BELLO, David, 'Opium in Xinjiang and Beyond', in: Brook, T. / Wakabayashi, B.T. (ed.), *Opium Regimes, China, Britain and Japan, 1839-1952*, Berkeley-Los Angeles-London, 2000, pp. 127-151.
- NEWMAN, R.K., 'Opium Consumption in Late Imperial China: A Reconsideration', in: *MAS*, 29 (4), 1995, pp. 765-794.

Session 3 (06. 03. 2017) **OPIUM II: Anti-Imperialism or moral Empire? The Emergence of an anti-opium lobby in the West**

- BERRIDGE, Virginia, *Opium and the People: Opiate Use and Drug Control Policy in Nineteenth and Early Twentieth Century England* (rev. ed.), New-York-London 1999, pp. 173-194.
- BROWN, J.B., 'Politics of the Poppy: The Society for the Suppression of the Opium Trade 1874-1916', in: *Journal of Contemporary History*, 8 (3), 1973, pp. 97-111.
- LODWICK, Kathleen L., *Crusaders against Opium: Protestant Missionaries in China, 1874-1917*, Lexington, 1995, pp. 27-71.
- REINS, Thomas D., 'Reform, Nationalism and Internationalism: the Opium Repression Movement in China and the Anglo-American Influence', in: *MAS*, 25 (1), 1991, pp. 101-142.
- RICHARDS, John F., 'Opium and the British Empire: The Royal Commission of 1895', in: *MAS*, 36 (2), 2002, pp. 375-420. ☛

- WINTER, Paul C., *Anglo-European Science and the Rhetoric of Empire: Malaria, Opium and British Rule in India, 1756-1895*, Lanham 2003, pp. 75-114.

Session 4 (13. 03. 2017)

OPIUM III: Did the Empire Strike back? — Opium consumption and addiction in the West

- DAVENPORT-HINES, Richard, *The Pursuit of Oblivion: A Global History of Narcotics*, New York-London 2002, pp. 61 – 98.
- AHMAD, Diana L., *The Opium Debate and Chinese Exclusion Laws*, Reno-Las Vegas 2007, pp. 1-50.
- PADWA, Howard, *The Culture and Politics of Opiate Control in Britain and France, 1821-1926*, Baltimore 2012, pp. 14-49. ✪
- MILLIGAN, Barry, *Pleasures and pains: Opium and the Orient in 19th Century British Culture*, Charlottesville-London 1995, pp. 83-117.
- BERRIDGE, Virginia, *Opium and the People: Opiate Use and Drug Control Policy in Nineteenth and Early Twentieth Century England* (rev. ed.), New-York-London 1999, pp. 21-86.
- BERRIDGE, Virginia, 'East-End Opium Dens and Narcotic Use in Britain', in: *The London Journal*, 4 (1), 1978, pp. 3-28.
- AURIN, Marcus, 'Chasing the Dragon: The Cultural Metamorphosis of Opium in the United States, 1825-1935', in: *Medical Anthropology Quarterly*, 14 (3), 2000, pp. 414-441.
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Contemporary representation of an 'opium den' in late Victorian London

Session 5 (20. 03. 2017) OPIUM IV: ‚High Politics‘: The Emergence of an international control regime

- McALLISTER, William B., *Drug Diplomacy in the Twentieth Century: An International History*, New York-London 2000, pp. 41-102.
- BEWLEY-TAYLOR, David R., *The United States and International Drug Control, 1909-1997*, London New York 1999, pp. 16-53.
- MEYER, Katherine/PARSSINEN, Terry, *Webs of Smoke: Smugglers, Warlords, Spies, and the History of the International Drug Trade*, Lanham, ML 2002, pp. 15–35. ★
- TAYLOR, Arnold H., *American Diplomacy and the narcotics traffic, 1900-1939*, Durham NC, 1969, pp. 20-46.
- WRIGHT, Hamilton, ‘The International Opium Commission’, in: *The American Journal of International Law*, 3 (3), 1909, pp. 648-673.

Session 6 (27. 03. 2014) CANNABIS and colonialism

- ANGROSINO, Michael, ‘Rum and Ganja. Indenture, Drug Foods, Labor Motivation, and the Evolution of the Modern Sugar Industry in Trinidad’, in: William Jankowiak / Daniel Bradburd (eds), *Drugs, Labor, and Colonial Expansion*, Tucson 2003, pp. 101-116.
- AKYEAMPONG, E., ‘Diaspora and Drug Trafficking in West Africa. A Case Study of Ghana’, in: *African Affairs* 104, (416), 2005, pp. 429-447.
- MILLS, James H., *Madness, Cannabis and Colonialism. The "Native Only" Lunatic Asylums of British India 1857-1900*. London-Basingstoke 2000, pp. 43-65.
- MILLS, James H., *Cannabis Britannica. Empire, Trade and Prohibition*. Oxford, 2003, pp. 152-187. ★
- MORITZ, Maria, Looking for Spirituality in India: A German Theosophists Experience with Ganja (1894-96)’, in: In: Fischer-Tiné, H. and Tschurennev, J., (eds), *A History of Alcohol and Drugs in Modern South Asia: Intoxicating Affairs*, Abingdon, 2014, pp. 117-136.
- SHAMIR, Ronen/HACKER, Daphna, ‘Colonialism's Civilizing Mission: The Case of the Indian Hemp Drug Commission’, in: *Law & Social Inquiry*, 26 (2), 2001, pp. 435-461

Session 7 (03. 04. 2017) Keine Sitzung → Reading Week



Indian Cannabis consumers. Illustration in the report of the 'Indian Hemp Drug Commission' 1894

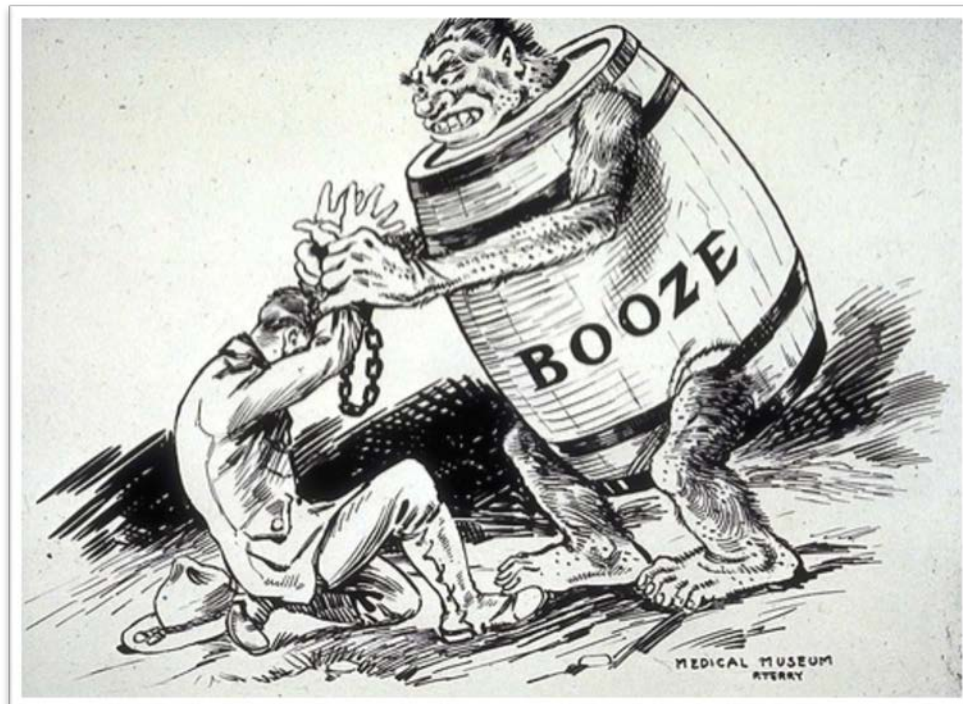
Session 8 (10. 04. 2017)

ALCOHOL I: Economic und social dimensions

- AMBLER, Charles, 'The Specter of Degeneration: Alcohol and Race in West Africa in the early twentieth Century', in: Pliley, J.R., Kramm, R. and Fischer-Tiné, H. (eds), *Global Anti-Vice Activism, 1890-1950: Fighting Drinks, Drugs, and 'Immorality'*, Cambridge 2016, pp. 103-123. . ★
- PEERS, Douglas, M., 'Imperial Vice: Sex, Drink and the Health of British Troops in North Indian Cantonments, 1800-1858' In: David Killingray /David Omissi (eds), *Guardians of Empire*. Manchester 1999, pp. 25-52.
- HARDIMAN, David: 'From custom to crime: the politics of drinking in colonial South Gujarat', in Ranajit Guha (ed.) *Subaltern Studies*, IV, Delhi 1985, pp. 165-228
- KORIEH, Chima J., 'Dangerous Drinks and the Colonial State: Illicit Gin Prohibition and Control in Colonial Nigeria', in: Mills and Barton (eds), *Drugs and Empires*, pp. 101-115.
- FISCHER-TINÉ, Harald, 'Liquid Boundaries. Race, class and alcohol in colonial India', In: Idem and Tschurennev, J., (eds), *A History of Alcohol and Drugs in Modern South Asia: Intoxicating Affairs*, Abingdon, 2014, pp. 89-115.
- GILBERT, Marc Jason, 'Empire and Excise: Drugs and Drink Revenue and the Fate of States in South Asia', in: Mills and Barton (eds), *Drugs and Empires*, pp. 116-141.

Session 9 (08. 05. 2017) ALCOHOL II: Temperance movements: Abstinence and politics in the colonial world

- CARROLL, Lucy, 'The Temperance Movement in India: Politics and Social Reform', in *MAS*, 10 (3), 1976, pp. 417-80.
- COLVARD, Robert, E., 'Drunkards Beware: Prohibition and Nationalist Politics in the 1930s', in: Fischer-Tiné, H. and Tschurennev, J., (eds), *A History of Alcohol and Drugs in Modern South Asia: Intoxicating Affairs*, Abingdon, 2014, pp. 173-200. ✪
- AKYEAMPONG, Emanuel, *Drink, Power and Cultural Change: A Social History of Alcohol in Ghana c. 1800 to Recent Times*, Portsmouth, NH-Oxford 1996, pp. 70-94.
- FAHEY, D.M. & MANIAN, P., 'Poverty and Purification: The politics of Gandhi's campaign for prohibition', in: *Historian*, 67 (3), 2005, pp. 489-506.
- ROGERS, John D., 'Cultural Nationalism and Social Reform. The 1904 Temperance Movement in Sri Lanka', in: *IESHR*, 26 (3), 1989, pp. 319-341.
- MOORE, Brian L./JOHNSON, Michele A., 'Drunk and Disorderly: Alcoholism and the search for "Morality" in Jamaica, 1865-1920', in: *The Journal of Caribbean History*, 42 (2), 2008, pp. 155-186.
- MILLS, Wallace G., 'The Roots of African Nationalism in the Cape Colony: Temperance, 1866-1898', *The International Journal of African Historical Studies*, 13 (2), 1980, pp. 197-213.



Temperance cartoon (c. 1915)

Session 10 (15. 05. 2017) COCAINE I: The global career of a new drug (1880-1930)

- COURTWRIGHT, David T., 'The Rise and Fall and Rise of Cocaine in the United States', in: J. Goodman et al. (eds), *Consuming Habits. Global and Historical perspectives on How Cultures define Drugs, Histories*, London - New York 2007, pp. 215-237.
- GOOTENBERG, Paul: 'A Forgotten Case of „Scientific Excellence on the Periphery”. The Nationalist Cocaine Science of Alfredo Bignon, 1884-1887', in: *Comparative Studies in Society & History* 49 (1), 2007, pp. 202-232.
- FRIMANN, Richard H., 'Germany and the transformations of Cocaine', in: Paul Gootenberg, (ed.), *Cocaine: Global Histories*, New York-London 1999, pp. 83-104.
- KARCH, Steven B., 'Japan and the Cocaine Industry in Southeast Asia', in: Paul Gootenberg, (ed.), *Cocaine: Global Histories*, New York-London 1999, pp. 146-161.
- MILLS, James H., 'Drugs, Consumption, and Supply in Asia: The Case of Cocaine in Colonial India, c. 1900-c. 1930', in: *Journal of Asian Studies*, 66 (2), 2007, pp. 345-362.
- MILLS, James H., 'Cocaine and the British Empire: The Drug and the Diplomats at the Hague Opium Conference, 1911-12', *The Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History*, 4 (3), 2014, pp. 400-419.
- SPILLANE, Joseph, *Cocaine: From Medical Marvel to Modern Menace in the United States*, Baltimore-London 2000, pp. 67-104. 🌐



Advertisement for cocaine enriched toothache drops, USA 1885

Session 11 (22. 05. 2017) COCAINE II: The United States and the 'War on Drugs' in Latin America

- ARGAÑARAS, Fernando Garcia, 'The Drug war at the Supply end: The Case of Bolivia', in: *Latin American Perspectives*, 24 (5), 1997, pp. 59-80.
- GOOTENBERG, PAUL, 'Secret Ingredients: The Politics of Coca in US-Peruvian Relations, 1915-65', in: *Journal of Latin American Studies*, 36 (2), 2004, pp. 233-265.
- GOOTENBERG, PAUL, 'Cocaine's Long March North, 1900-2010', *Latin American Politics and Society*, 54 (1), 2012, pp. 159-180. ✪
- JONNES, Jill, *Hep-cats, Narcs and Pipe Dreams: A History of America's Romance with Illegal Drugs*, New York 1995, pp. 336-366.
- ROUSE, S.M./ARCE, M. 'The drug-laden balloon: US military assistance and coca-production in the Central Andes', in: *Social Science Quarterly*, 87 (3), 2006, pp. 540-557.
- TICKER, Arlene, 'Colombia and the United States: From Counternarcotics to Counterterrorism', in: *Current History*, 661 (2003), pp. 77-85.

Session 12 (29. 05. 2017) Keine Sitzung → Reading Week

In den beiden 'reading weeks' soll der Text: COURTWRIGHT, David T., *Forces of Habit: Drugs and the Making of the Modern World*, Cambridge, MA-London, 2001, pp. 135-207 gelesen werden. Eine Zusammenfassung/Diskussion dieses Textes im Umfang von 1500 Wörtern ist bis 10. 06. Per e-mail an Martina Andermatt martina.anderstatt@gmw.gess.ethz.ch zu schicken.