A Peoples History of Pakistan (HIST 127)

Credit Hours: 3

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Schedule: Monday to Friday (10.15 AM – 12.15 PM)

Too often, the history of Pakistan is told from the perspective of the Pakistani State or from the binary narrative of religion versus secularism. This course asks what Pakistan’s history would look like when told from the perspective of the most marginalized groups in the country. Can we evolve a history of Pakistan that consciously includes the voices of its people? How does the state appear in these narratives? How do the legacies of colonialism impact the histories of the nation and its marginalized groups? This course explores these urgent questions through the histories of the region, women, peasants, displaced persons and labour in Pakistan.