

**HI31C**

**Merchants, Missionaries and Opium War: the Dynamics of Change in Late Imperial China**

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Time allowed: 7 days

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Submission: By 11:00am on 09 September via Tabula

Answer TWO questions - Each question is limited to 1500 words.

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**Assessment Guidance:**

- You **MUST** read the supporting information on the History website:  
<https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/arts/history/students/covid19andstrikeinformation/covidexam/>
  - You **MUST** submit answers on Tabula by 11:00am on the deadline date (all deadlines can be found on the departmental exam timetable (<https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/arts/history/students/covid19andstrikeinformation/covidexam/sep-tt>) or on your Tabula assessment page).
  - You **MUST** ensure that you upload the correct answer paper to the correct module.
  - Your exam answer paper **MUST** include:
    - Student ID number.
    - The module code and the module title.
    - Clearly state which questions have been answered.
  - Answers should be a maximum of 1500 words.
  - Answers are not expected to include a bibliography or footnotes, however, if you have consulted any materials please list these at the end of your answers.
  - Answers should **NOT** include any significant amount of material already presented in ANY assessed work.
  - Where necessary, papers for modules affected by industrial action in the 2019-2020 academic year include additional questions to provide a full range of topics.
  - This take-home assessment is a one-year variance from the normal examination format due to COVID-19 and will apply only in the 2019-2020 academic year.
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1. How successful was the Catholic mission in late imperial China?

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2. 'The Qing empire was a colonizing regime.' Discuss.

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3. To what extent has our understanding of women in late imperial China been shaped by the state and official discourse?

4. **EITHER:**

How important were merchants in late imperial China?

**OR:**

How important was Confucianism in late imperial China?

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5. To what extent did British diplomats have an impact on Sino-British relations?

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6. 'Most commercial activities, including the opium trade, of the coastal regions in southern China were unaffected by Qing imperial control.' How far do you agree with this statement?

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7. How important was food culture for the formation of European views of late imperial China?

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8. How far are the histories of sugar and tea connected?

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9. Is the history of late imperial China characterized more by change or by continuity?

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10. To what extent can the study of porcelain be valuable for the study of Chinese history?

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11. How far should we see the Opium War as a global conflict?

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12. Who had a bigger impact in China: Matteo Ricci, Lord Macartney or Lin Zexu?

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