

# WEA Course information sheet 2019-20



Adult Learning  
Within Reach

<b>Course title:</b> The Russo - Japanese War		<b>Course ID:</b> C3745537
<b>Start date:</b> 30/07/2020	<b>End date:</b> 30/07/2020	<b>Day(s)/time(s):</b> Thu 14:00
<b>Number of sessions:</b> 1	<b>Hours per session:</b> 2	<b>Tutor</b> Julian Roberts
<b>Additional hours:</b>	<b>Online Learning Hours:</b> 0	
<b>Specific funder/partner requirements:</b>		
<b>Awarding body (if any):</b> <b>Title of qualification to be gained:</b>		<b>Level:</b> Level 2
<b>Fee:</b> £.00 or <b>Free</b> if you are in receipt of an income related benefit (only SFA funded) <b>Accreditation Fee</b> (if applicable):		
<b>Venue:</b> Online Learning, Online, ZZ99 9ZZ		
<b>Theme(s):</b> The WEA has four themes it uses for planning its provision. <b>Employability</b> – helping students to get a job or to make progress in their employment <b>Health and Wellbeing</b> – making a positive contribution to their own or others health and wellbeing <b>Community Engagement</b> – encouraging students to be positively involved in their communities <b>Culture</b> – learning about diverse cultures, identities and environments  The Theme(s) used in planning your course is/ are:  1. <b>Culture Education</b> 2.		

## Course Aim

The course will provide an introduction to the Russo-Japanese war of 1904/05.

## Course Description

This war between Russia and Japan in 1904/05 is possibly one of the least remembered wars of the twentieth century and yet it had far reaching consequences in both the Far East and Europe. On the centenary of the conflict some historians referred to it as World War Zero. That may be over-egging things but it is important to an understanding of twentieth century history. We will look at the background to the war in both Russia and Japan and their competing ambitions in East Asia. We will take a broad look at the land war, noting the developments in tactics and weapons that anticipated the Great War of 1914-18. After examining the great naval battle of Tsushima we will discuss how the conflict ended and the longer term implications.

## Do I need any particular skills or experience?

### What will I achieve?

#### By the end of the course I will be able to:

1. Understand how developments in Russia and Japan led to competing ambitions in East Asia.
2. Understand how and why the war was fought and describe in broad terms the course of the conflict.

3. Understand why the war ended as it did and the longer implications of the conflict.

### **What teaching methods will be used and will there be work outside of the class?**

- The WEA's digital learning platform, Canvas will be used to provide resources or to support lessons, enable assessment, provide learner feedback and for other activities for individuals away from the course. If you want to understand more about our digital learning platform please visit: <http://bit.ly/WEAonline>
  - The course will be delivered on Zoom using a powerpoint presentation of maps, photographs and short text.
- There will be opportunities for questions and discussion.

### **What kind of feedback can I expect from the tutor?**

- There will be a short (fun and optional) quiz on Canvas.
- Individual feedback from the tutor is not applicable.

### **What else do I need to know? Is there anything I need to bring?**

- What you need: You will need an internet connection, speakers, a microphone and a webcam so that you can use our video learning platform, Zoom. If you'd like to understand more Zoom please visit: <http://bit.ly/ZoomSpec>
- You will also need access to the internet outside of your sessions. You could do this using a smart phone, tablet, laptop or a desktop computer (at home or through a library etc.).
- You will need a personal email address to join the WEA's digital learning platform, Canvas so that you can receive resources, record your progress and achievement and to work with others and share ideas. If you want to understand more about our digital learning platform please visit: <http://bit.ly/WEAonline>
- Curiosity and interest in the subject matter.

### **Pre-course work, reading and information sources**

- You will have access to course resources and links to wider learning through the WEA's digital learning platform, Canvas: <http://bit.ly/WEAonline>
  - There is no requirement for pre or post course reading.
- If you are interested in learning more about the topic, please see Canvas regarding relevant books and to access a number of Journal articles.

### **Possible next steps after this course (including career opportunities if appropriate)**

- Progress to another WEA course
- Progress to a course with another provider

### **Learning with the WEA**

WEA courses increasingly make use of the rich variety of educational tools and material available on the internet and from digital devices. The WEA's digital learning platform, Canvas will play an increasing role in all WEA courses to provide resources or support, or to conduct lessons, enable assessment, provide learner feedback and for other activities for individuals away from the course. It is helpful, although not essential if you have access to a computer or smartphone to support your course.

You can read about your entitlements and responsibilities as a WEA student in our leaflet, Student Handbook here <http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/student-support> This includes information on fees, learning support and financial support. As part of your course you accept our Learning Agreement and Privacy Notice. Full details of the Learning Agreement and privacy notice can be found on our website at <http://www.wea.org.uk/policies>. This applies to all courses you take in this academic year.

You can enrol online for some courses <http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/course-search> or contact: WEA Support Services, Suite 10B Joseph's Well, Hanover Way, Leeds, West Yorkshire, LS3 1AB  
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