

HIS365 ANIMAL HISTORIES IN ASIA

A Critical Examination of Interspecies Mutuality in Comparative Contexts

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Animals have their own histories. This class considers the new and vibrant interdisciplinary field of animal history, with a focus on East, South, and Southeast Asia. Read about elephants, bovines, insects, reptiles, aquatic life, and tigers and discuss the idea of human dominion and the role of cognitive ethology (i.e. animals can think!) in historical research. No previous knowledge of Asia is required.



Ami Vitale. *A Domesticated Elephant Is Brought for a Check-up at a Veterinary Clinic near Kaziranga National Park in Assam, India. Elephants like These Are Used to Clear Forests Illegally.* 2003. <https://jstor.org/stable/community.12150715>.