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Professor Ian Talbot is a Professor of Modern British History at the University of Southampton.

I have recently published, 'A History of Modern South Asia' (Yale University Press) and a co-authored study, 'Colonial Lahore: A History of the City and Beyond.' The latter work follows my long term interest in the history of the Punjab and the Partition of the region following the emergence of Pakistan. It builds on earlier publications such as 'The Partition of India' (co-authored with Gurharpal Singh) and 'Divided Cities: Partition and its Aftermath in Lahore and Amritsar' which was published in 2006 with Oxford University Press. This study was funded by a two year Leverhulme Major Research Fellowship which was held in conjunction with a Visiting Fellowship in History at Balliol College, Oxford during 2003-4.

Research interests

In addition to my work on the 1947 Partition, I am interested in Pakistan's post-independence political history. I have published numerous articles on this subject. My main contribution is the major text entitled, *Pakistan: A Modern History*. This was published in 1999 by Hurst, reissued in an expanded form in 2005 and has now entered its third edition in 2008.

I am currently working on a history of the UK High Commission in Pakistan. This will trace the diplomatic mission's development from 1947-2008.