

Syllabus for History 1102: Western Civilization II

I. General Information

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Credit Hours: 03

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II. Course Description

This course is a survey of "Western Civilization" since the mid-1600s, although we will concentrate primarily on European societies.

Here is a short list of some of the themes and topics we will follow this semester:

- the development of the centralizing "state" and the birth of the modern notion of the "nation state," which has expanded the claims of the state over new areas of people's lives
- the development of modern science and its application to not only to technology, but also to thinking about society (for instance, in the ideas of the Enlightenment and then in the great "isms" of the 19th and 20th century)
- the development of a way of organizing economic activity known as capitalism (and particularly of industrial capitalism), that has created new social classes and conflicts, shaped every aspect of people's daily lives, and led steadily towards "globalization"
- the development of modern concepts of politics, government, and of rights, which have led to conflicts over how and by whom rights are defined and who "gets" them
- the development of intellectual and social movements (or "isms") that have shaped how people understand the world and directed their efforts to change it (for instance, Liberalism, Conservatism, Nationalism, Anarchism, Socialism, Communism, Fascism, etc.).
- the development of new methods by which states and other political/social actors mobilize, control, or eliminate mass populations (for instance, propaganda, warfare, genocide, ethnic cleansing).

III. Textbook/Materials

The Making of the West, Volume 2: People and Cultures 5th Edition

by Lynn Hunt, Thomas R. Martin, Barbara H. Rosenwein, Bonnie G. Smith

If you took 101 1 you will already have the combined edition of this book

IV. Course Objectives

Students will:

- a. Describe key events and leading concepts in Western Civilization

- b. Identify and examine the principal epochs in ancient and medieval European history
- c. Explore the fundamental changes in European life
- d. Analyze the formation of modern Western society and culture
- e. Gain a greater understanding of contemporary political issues and enhanced interest in citizenship
- f. Develop critical thinking skills in evaluating historical events and historical writings

V. Course Requirements

All students will read all of the textbooks assigned and complete at least one midterm exam and a final exam. Attendance and participation in small group discussion is also required.

Exam 1.....	20%
Exam 2.....	20%
Paper.....	25%
Thesis Statement	
Evidence	
On-Line Discussion.....	10%
Quizzes/In Class Assignments...	15%
Attendance.....	10%

Attendance

Each student is allowed two missed classes. If a student misses more than 10% of the classes during the semester they will be dropped from the class. If you are having issues outside of class please contact me sooner rather than later. I know life happens but we have such a short time in this class that I cannot bend very much.

VI. Grading

The grading for this course will follow the grading scale as shown below:

- 90-100%=A
- 80-89%=B
- 70-79%=C
- 60-69%=D
- Below 59%=F

Total number of points for this class is as follows:

Exam #1	= 200 points = 20% of the grade
Exam #2	= 200 points = 20% of the grade
Papers	= 250 points = 25% of the grade

Quizzes = 150 points = 15% of the grade
On Line Assignments = 100 points = 10% of Grade
Attendance = 100 points = 10% of the grade

Total # of points: 1000 100% of the grade

Papers

You will write one paper for this class. You will first hand in and discuss your thesis statement and then hand in and discuss the evidence you have for your paper with your classmates. You cannot receive credit for a final paper without handing in these steps. Your paper will be three to five pages double-spaced in Times New Roman with one-inch margins. **LATE PAPERS ARE GRADED DOWN 10% PER DAY.** You will discuss your thesis and example for you paper in small groups discussion in class. Papers will be due at the end of the first and last section of the class (see syllabus).

Tests

We will have two exams in this class. The mid term will test information from the beginning of class until week before the exam. The final will test information after the mid term until week 14. There will be one cumulative essay question on the final exam. **Students must attend each exam.**

VII. Course Expectations

Students will develop listening and speaking skills in class participation. Students are expected to attend class regularly and arrive promptly, and to assume responsibility for their assignments. In addition, they are expected to display courteous behavior with respect for their instructor and fellow students and honesty in their academic and personal interactions.

VIII. STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Students with documented disabilities who need special accommodation in the classroom should contact Special Services for assistance, 224-3259. Also, students should tell the instructor if they have special needs because of learning or other disabilities. Remember that I am here to help students get the grade they want and will do what ever they need. I, myself, struggled for years so I know that asking for help is hard. But please speak up and let's get this done!

Week	Date	Subject	Reading
1	8.22	Introductions/Thirty Year War	Chapter 16
	8.24	Europe 1648-1705/Syllabus Quiz	
2	8.29	The Enlightenment	Chapter 17

8.31 The Enlightenment Chapter 18

Between 9.01 and 9.15 please post on the on-line discussion posts on question about the reading.

3 9.05 Hobbes, Locke and Smith Read on Line handout
Paper Topic Hand out in Class

9.07 **Reading Quiz/** American Revolution

4 9.12 The French Revolution Chapter 19

9.14 The French Revolution
Thesis for paper due in class.

5 9.19 Napoleon and his Legacy Chapter 20
9.21 Latin American Revolutions

Between 9.22 and 10.05 please post on the on-line discussion posts on question about the reading.

6. 9.26 The Industrial Revolution Chapter 21
9.28 Marx/**Reading Quiz**

7. 10.03 Modernity and the March to War Chapter 22
10.05 World War I

8. 10.10 World War I
10.12 **No Class**

9 10.17 Mid Term Review
10.19 **MIDTERM**

Between 10.26 and 11.16 please post on the on-line discussion posts on question about the reading.

10 10.24 Revolutions 1910 and 1913 Chapter 24
10.26 1920'S TO Despression

11. 10.31 World War II Chapter 25
11.02 World War II

12. 11.07 World War II

11.09 Cold War America

Between 11.09 and 12.07 please post on the on-line discussion posts on question about the reading.

13.	11.14 11.16	Cold War Cold War	Chapter 26
14.	11.21 11.23	NO CLASS NO CLASS	Chapter 27
15.	11.28 11.30	Cold War Cold War	
16	12.05 12.07	Fall of the Berlin Wall Final Review/ Final Paper Due in Class.	

Final TBA during Finals week December 8-12