

History 1110 syllabi
Introduction to World Civilization: Fall Semester 2009
Section 21
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READ CAREFULLY AND KEEP. You are responsible for the contents.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this class is to introduce you to the study of World History. We will look at the meaning of history and how our view of the past is shaped. This survey will help you develop an appreciation of other people and other cultures and give you a better understanding of why the world in which you live is the way it is.

Textbook: Anthony Esler, The Human Venture: A World History from Prehistory to the Present. 5th edition. The text is an essential part of the course. Its primary purpose will be to provide chronological order and cover those areas not discussed in class.

Ethics: You are expected to be a responsible student. Read the current Kennesaw State University Catalog and familiarize yourself with such concepts as misrepresentation, plagiarism, unauthorized access to official materials and other regulations. *Students caught cheating will automatically receive a zero for their test!

Attendance Policy: Attendance for my class is mandatory. Students who miss seven class days will automatically fail the class. Students are required to sign a roll call sheet for every day of class. Please turn cell phones during class.

TESTS: There will be ten tests given during the semester. Each individual test will count ten percent each. The tests will be no more than fifty questions. The questions for these tests will come from the textbook, class discussions, and other related materials.

PARTICIPATION GRADE: Students who do not want to take all ten tests have the option of presenting an individual presentation on a person or event in history and students can write a three page book review double space 12 font as well. However, students that choose to do both the presentation and a book review cannot do both of them on the same person or event! You will have to choose separate topics to write about. Students can also participate on two group projects as well. In theory if a student was to complete both the presentation and book review as well as working on both group projects, he or she could take six tests instead of ten. However, students must do one or the other; if you do not do any projects than you must take all ten tests!

MAKE-UP POLICY: Students are entitled to one make up exam only! If students miss more than one test than they will receive a grade of zero for each additional test they miss! A make up exam is intended for emergency purposes only! A make up exam is a new test and it is generally harder than a regular exam because the material comes

from the textbook only! Makeup exams will be administered only twice during the semester: Once after the midterm and the second time will be before the final exam.

GRADES: 90-100 A
80-89 B
70-79 C
60-69 D
0-59 F

*Students who forget to sign their test will automatically receive a grade of zero for their test!

*Instructor reserves the right to modify everything in the syllabi.

* Students must have a minimum of an 89.5 for their final grade to receive an “A” in my class.

*Students who are twenty-five minutes late for the exam will not be allowed to take the exam! You will automatically be scheduled for a makeup exam.

*Students must who are twenty-five minutes late for class will not be allowed to sign the roll call sheet for class that day.

Course Schedule

Tuesday, 18 August Introduction to the course & Early civilization in the Near East
Chapters 1, 2 & 3

Thursday, 20 August Ancient Persia & Chapter 6 *Students can make a presentation on either Mesopotamia or Persia

Tuesday, 25 August The First Test will cover the Near East & Persia

Thursday, 27 August Ancient Greece & Rome Chapters 3 & 6

Tuesday, 1 September Ancient Greece & Rome Chapters 3 & 6 *Students can make a presentation on either Greece or Rome

Thursday, 3 September The Second Test will cover Ancient Greece & Rome

Tuesday, 8 September Ancient Islam Chapters 10 & 16

Thursday, 10 September Ancient Islam *Students can make a presentation on Islam

Chapters 10 & 16

Tuesday, 15 September the Third Test will cover Islam

Thursday, 17 September Ancient India & China *Students can make a presentation on either ancient China or India

Chapters 4, 7, 11, 12, 17 & 22

Tuesday, 22 September the Fourth Test will cover India & China

Thursday, 24 September Ancient Africa-Egypt and Carthage

Chapters 2 and 5

Tuesday, 29 September West Africa-Ghana, Mali, and Songhai *Students can make a presentation on ancient Egypt or ancient African civilizations

Chapter 13

Thursday, 1 October the Fifth Test will cover Africa

Chapters 2, 5, and 13

Tuesday, 6 October Native American civilizations in the Americas *Students can make a presentation on ancient Native American civilizations

Chapter 5, 8, and 13

Thursday, 8 October Native American civilizations in the Americas

Chapter 18 *Last day to withdraw from the class without academic penalty

Tuesday, 13 October the Sixth Test will cover Native Americans

Thursday, 15 October Europe Chapters 9 & 15

Tuesday, 20 October Europe *Students can make a presentation on Europe

Chapter 15

Thursday, 22 October the Seventh Test will cover Europe

Tuesday, 27 October Early Modern History *Students can make a presentation on Early Modern History or on Early Modern Europe

Chapter 19

Thursday, 29 October the Transformation of Europe

Chapter 20

Tuesday, 3 November the Eighth Test will cover Early Modern History

Chapters 19 & 20

Thursday, 5 November the Americas
Chapter 21

Tuesday, 10 November the End of Western Imperialism
Chapter 23

Thursday, 12 November World War I *Students can make a presentation on World War I. There can also be a variety of group projects as well.
Chapter 24

Tuesday, 17 November the Ninth Test will cover the Americas up to World War I *
Students can make a presentation on this topic. There can also be a variety of group projects as well.
Chapters 21, 23 & 24

Thursday, 19 November Revolutions in Russia and China
Chapter 25 *Students can make a presentation on this topic. There can also be a variety of group projects as well.

Tuesday, 24 November World War II
Chapter 26* Students can make a presentation on this topic. There can also be a variety of group projects as well.

Thursday, 26 November No Class because of Thanksgiving Holidays

Tuesday, 2 December 3 Post World War II
Chapter 27 * Students can make a presentation on this topic. There can also be a variety of group projects as well.

Thursday, 8 December the Tenth Test or the Final Exam (8:00 P.M.-10:00 P.M.)