# Course Syllabus; History 1302: FTD/VA/Alpine: U.S. History Since 1877

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## **Course Objectives**

The objective of this course is to introduce you to the sweeping epic of American history from the conclusion of the Reconstruction Era (1877) to the present

# Course Readings www.americanyawp.com

This is a free online textbook

# **Course Requirements and Grading:**

- 1. Regular and punctual attendance.
- 2 Classroom courtesy-no cellphones or texting in class.
- 3 Five exams of which exam # 5 is a mandatory final. Each exam will count as 100 points.
- 4 A notebook of notes taken during the class which is mandatory and will count for 100 points. The notebook must be a copy of your notes with comments that you are required to make on the notes, what is the historical significance and importance of the subject matter. You will need to turn in an electronic copy of the notes you have taken for this course and is due on the day of the final, Turn it in alongside your final
- 5 I will then add the total potential of 600 points (five exams) and divide by 5. 90-100=A; 80-89=B; 70-79=C; 60-69=D; 0-59=F.

## **Classroom Courtesy and Civility**

This is a distance-education-based course and there are over seventy students in the class. Please be respectful of other students and keep your microphone muted but if you have a question, do not hesitate to ask, just unmute your microphone and ask me and I can address your question to the class.

## **Student Learning Objectives**

The graduating student in history will be able to:

1. The student will be able to develop an informed, critical, and articulate approach to the study of history.

2. The student will be able to demonstrate knowledge of historical events, movements, major turning points and personalities of the past.

3. The student will be able to demonstrate an ability to identify and relate the role that historical interpretation plays in the assessments of the past.

4. The student will be able to write effectively, logically, and persuasively about topics in history.

The Student Learning Objectives (SLOs) shall be measured by the administration of five exams Each exam will consist of essay questions which shall measure objectives one through four.

# The Americans with Disabilities Act:

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# Marketability Skills of a History Major

SLO 1—The history student will demonstrate historical research skills in a logically organized, written paper that is mechanically correct and supported by relevant documentation of historical content.

Marketable skills---Students can identify useful resources from a pool of data.

Students can select and organize data in a relevant manner.

Students can make written presentations to various audiences.

SLO 2—The history student will demonstrate the ability to write about topics in historiography and how those topics are interpreted.

Marketable skills---Students can utilize data to persuade various audiences.

Students can utilize data to generate and strengthen ideas.

Students can decipher stances adopted by various individuals.

SLO 3—The history student will demonstrate knowledge of American History, World History, and NonAmerican History.

Marketable Skills---Students can meet deadlines in a successful manner. Students can discharge responsibilities in an adequate manner. Students can manage the absorption of data.

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## **Course Objectives**

#### **Course Outline**

- Jan. 19-the impact of the Civil War on the Industrial Revolution in America
- Jan. 24-the Industrial Revolution
- Jan. 26-the Frontier West
- Jan. 31=the New South and the Populists
- Feb. 02-Exam # 1-covers chapters 16, 17. 18 in textbook
- Feb. 07-the New Empire
- Feb. 09-the Spanish American War
- Feb. 14-the Progressive Movement
- Feb. 16-the Progressive Movement
- Feb. 21-World War One
- Feb. 23-World War One

## Feb. 28-exam # 2-covers chapters 19, 20, 21 in textbook

Mar. 02-the 1920s

- Mar. 07-the Great Depression and the New Deal
- Mar. 09-the Great Depression and the New Deal
- Mar. 14-spring break no class
- Mar. 16-spring break no class
- Mar. 21-World War Two
- Mar. 23-World War Two
- Mar 28-World War Two
- Mar. 30-exam # 3-covers chapters 22, 23, 24 in textbook
- Apr. 04-America from 1945-1960
- Apr. 06-the Cold War
- Apr. 11-The Cold War
- Apr. 13-the 1960s
- Apr. 18-the 1960s
- Apr. 20-the 1960s
- Apr. 25- exam # 4-covers chapters 26, 27, 28 in textbook
- Apr. 27-the 1970s
- May. 02-the 1980s
- May. 04-the 1990s
- May. 09-final exam due chapters 29 and 30 in textbook

# Concepts/Essays to Identify for exam #1

1. What was the impact of the railroad on the American industrial revolution?

2. How did new technologies and inventions transform the industrial process? Who were some of the major individuals and inventors?

3. How did the rise of big business and corporations transform the American economy?

4. How and why did Jim Crowism emerge in the South during the 1890s?

5. How did the West develop as a colonial appendage to the northeast? What were some of the major social classes that we discussed in class?

6. What were the push and pull factors involved in immigration during the industrial revolution?

7. How did labor unions develop during this period? What were the differences in the labor philosophies of the Knights of Labor, the American Federation of Labor, and the Industrial Workers of the World?

8. Why were farmer's facing severe difficulties in the late nineteenth-century? How did farmer's seek to resolve these problems by organizing themselves politically?

## **Terms to Identify**

**Bessemer Steel process** Andrew Carnagie Norvin Green Western Union Alexander Graham Bell Bell Telephone Theodore Vail **Research and Development** Vertical Integration Horizontal Integration Trusts John D. Rockefeller Standard Oil J. P. Morgan Interstate Commerce Commission Sherman Anti-Trust Act (1890) The New South Jim Crow Plessey versus Ferguson (1896) Grandfather Clause

Poll Tax Literacy Test Booker T. Washington W. E. B. Dubois Homestead Act Reclamation Act of 1902 Joseph Glidden company towns Knights of Labor American Federation of Labor Samuel Gompers Industrial Workers of the World Haymarket Square The Grange The Greenback Party The Farmer's Alliance The Populist Party John Deere The Panic of 1893-1897 The election of 1896

# Terms and Concepts Exam # 2/History 1302/Saka/SRSU

## **Concepts/Essays**

1. Why did American intellectuals and politicians advocate expansionism during the late nineteenth century? How did social and economic crisis play a role in these developments? Who were some of the individuals?

2. Why did the U.S. go to War with Spain in 1898? What was the outcome of this war?

3. Why did progressivism arise as a response to the social and economic dislocations brought about by the industrial revolution? What social classes did the progressives originate from? How does this differ from the populists? What were the goals and objectives of the progressives?

4. What were some of the major progressive reforms of the Roosevelt administration 1900-1908? What were some of the progressive achievements of the Wilson administration 1912-1917?

- 5. Why and how did the United States become involved in the First World War?
- 6. What was the impact of the First World War on American society?

## **Terms to Identify**

Frederick Jackson Turner Josiah Strong Alfred T. Mahan Social Darwinism Herbert Spencer Annexation of Hawaii The Cuban War for Independence Yellow Journalism/William Randolph Hearst The Sinking of the Maine The Philippines Cuba Puerto Rico The Annexation Debate William McKinley Emilio Aguinaldo General Arthur Macarthur The Anti-Imperialist League The Platt Amendment The Panama Canal **Banana Republics** Social Darwinism Reform Darwinism Charles Beard

John Dewey **Oliver Wendell Holmes** The Muckrackers The social sciences political bosses civil service reform trustbusting Theodore Roosevelt William Howard Taft Pure Food and Drug Act (1906) Meat Inspection Act (9106) National Reclamation Act (1902) **Gifford Pinchot** John Muir The Sierra Club Woodrow Wilson The 16<sup>th</sup> Amendment The 17<sup>th</sup> Amendment The Anti-Saloon League The 18<sup>th</sup> Amendment National Suffrage Association of Women's Suffrage Movement Susan B. Anthony The 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment The Federal Reserve Bank The Keatings-Owen Act The Reforming Progressives The Social Hygiene Movement Settlement Houses The Immigration Restriction League The Eugenics Society Buck vs. Bell 1927 Archduke Franz Ferdinand Trench warfare The Verdun, the Somme Unrestricted submarine warfare The Lusitania The Zimmerman Telegram The Treaty of Versailles The League of Nations The Fourteen Points The War Industries Board George Creel The Committee on Public Information 100% Americanism The Espionage Act 1917 The Sedition Act 1917

<u>Schenck versus the United States</u> 1919 <u>Abrams versus the United States</u> 1919 The Red Summer A. Mitchell Palmer The Palmer Raids The Federal Bureau of Investigation **Terms and Concepts to Identify/Exam # 3/Saka/SRSU** 

## **Concepts/Essays to Identify**

1. Why are the 1920s considered a time of social, cultural, and political tensions and conflicts? Why did immigration restriction, the Sacco and Vanzetti case, the rebirth of the Ku Klux Klan, prohibition, emerge as major fields of societal struggle and conflict?

- 2. What caused the Great Depression?
- 3. What were the major points of the New Deal?
- 4. Why did the First New Deal give way to the Second New Deal?
- 5. What caused the Second World War?
- 6. How did the Second World War affect the domestic United States?

## **Terms to Identify**

"Normalcy" Warren G. Harding Calvin Coolidge Herbert Hoover The Model T The Model A Teapot Dome The Sacco-Vanzetti case The 1924 Immigration Restriction The Smoot-Hawley Tariff The Bonus Marchers Franklin Delano Roosevelt The First Hundred Days Fireside Chats The First New Deal The Bank Holiday The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) The Citizens Conservation Corps (CCC) The Home Owners Loan Corp. (HOLC) The Farm Credit Administration (FCA) The Tennessee Valley Administration (TVA) The Agricultural Adjustment Act (AAA) The National Recovery Administration (NRA) The Public Works Administration (PWA) Dust-bowl Oklahoma The Southern Tenant Farmer's Union Charles Coughlin Huey Long

Francis Townsend The Second New Deal John Maynard Keynes The Federal Theater Project The Wagner Act The Works Project Administration The Social Security Act The 1936 election Court Packing Benito Mussolini Adolph Hitler Fascism Joseph Stalin Aggression and Appeasement The Sudentenland The Munich Pact Poland-1939 The Axis Powers The Allied Powers Pearl Harbor The North African Campaign General George Patton Douglas MacArthur Dwight Eisenhower D-Day, June 6, 1944 The Manhattan Project Albert Einstein Robert Oppenheimer Hiroshima Nagasaki The Holocaust Harry S. Truman

# Terms and Concepts to Identify Exam # 4/Saka/SRSU

## **Concepts/Essays to Identify**

1. How did the American economy undergo dramatic transformation and change between 1945 and 1960?

2. How did the various civil rights movements develop during the 1950s and 1960s? What were the forces that pushed the African American and similar movements?

3. How did the Cold War between the United States and the Soviet Union begin? What were some of the major events of the early phase of the Cold War? Why did the United States intervene in the Korean War? What was the outcome of that war?

4.How did the United States become involved in the War in Vietnam? What was the ideological rationale? What were some of the major turning points in the war? How did the United States come to the decision to begin a termination of American involvement? What lessons can we draw from the Vietnam War?

## **Terms to Identify**

22<sup>nd</sup> Amendment The Baby Boom The G.I. Bill The Iron Curtain George Kennan Containment Policy The Truman Doctrine The Marshal Plan The Berlin Airlift The North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) The Warsaw Pact President Harry S. Truman President Dwight Eisenhower Josef Stalin Nikita Khrushchev Mao Tse Tung The 38<sup>th</sup> Parallel **Douglas MaCarthur** The Inchon landing The Yalu River The Central Intelligence Agency Muhammad Mossedeq The Shah Muhammad Phlavi of Iran **Operation** Ajax Jacobo Arbenz

Guatemala 1954 Fugencio Bautista Fidel Castro Ernesto "Che" Guevara The Cuban Revolution of 1959 The Bay of Pigs **Operation Mongoose** The House of Un-American Activities Committee Joseph McCarthy "In God We Trust" "One Nation Under God" Sputnik NASA The Highway Defense Act of 1956 The Armed Forces Desegregation Act of 1948 Montgomery Bus Boycott Rosa Parks The Southern Christian Leadership Conference **Reverend Martin Luther King** The Congress on Racial Equality (CORE) The Student Non-violent Coordinating Committee Little Rock, Arkansas 1957 Thurgood Marshall The Sit In Movement Freedom Riders Earl Warren John F. Kennedy Lee Harvey Oswald Lyndon Baines Johnson The 1964 Election Barry Goldwater The Civil Rights Act 1964 The Voting Rights Act of 1965 The Great Society Stokley Carmichael Malcolm X The Nation of Islam (Black Muslims) Watts 1965 Long Hot Summers 1966-1969 The Black Panthers The G.I. Forum LULAC Cesar Chavez Dolores Huerta The United Farm Workers The Mexican American Generation 1930-1960 The Chicano Generation 1960-1975

Betty Friedan The Feminine Mystique The National Organization of Women Smith v. Allright 1948 Delgado v. Bastrop County Texas 1948 Brown v. Board of Education 1954 Mendez v. Westminister ISD 1948 Hernandez v. State of Texas 1954 Sweatt v. Painter 1950 Engle v. Vitale 1962 Gideon v. Wainwright 1963 Griswold v. Connecticut 1965 Indochina Vietnam Laos Cambodia Ho Chi Minh General Giap Dien Bien Phu The Geneva Conference 1954 North Vietnam Hanoi South Vietnam Saigon President Ngo Dinh Diem The Pagoda Raids Hue Thich Quang Duc The Gulf of Tonkin Resolution The National Liberation Front (NLF) The 17<sup>th</sup> Parallel **Operation Rolling Thunder** The Ho Chi Minh Trail **Strategic Hamlets** Search and Destroy Free Fire Zones Napalm Agent Orange General William Westmoreland The Tet Offensive Strategic Hamlets Counterinsurgency Search and Destroy The My Lai Massacre Lieutenant Calley Students for A Democratic Society

Robert F. Kennedy Eugene Macarthy Hubert Humphrey The Credibility Gap The 1968 Democratic Convention in Chicago The Chicago Seven Hardhats v. the Hippies **Richard Nixon** Vietnamization Daniel Elsberg The Pentagon Papers Henry Kissinger Richard Nixon The Cambodia Invasion Kent State 1970 Paris Peace Talks The Khmer Rouge Pol Pot Ho Chi Minh City

#### Terms and Concepts to Identify for Exam # 5

#### **Concepts/Essays to Identify**

1. What economic and political forces shaped the 1970s? What impact did rising oil and energy costs have on the American economy? What impact did high inflation and high unemployment have on the American economy and national sense of "malaise"? How did foreign policy reversals (Afghanistan, Iran, and Nicaragua) have on the Carter administration and how did these events lead to a new Republican coalition and presidential victory under Ronald Reagan in 1980? How did cultural conservatives add to this emerging new political coalition that characterized the modern Republican Party?

2. How did the Reagan administration 1980-1988 reshape the American political economy? How did Paul Volker and Ronald Reagan "slay the inflation dragon"? How did the Reagan administration's foreign policy challenge the Soviet Union and how did William Casey and Ronald Regan help bring down the "Evil Empire"? Why did the Soviet Union fall? How did the Reagan policies of restructuring the American economy lead to the shift in our economic base from that of manufacturing to one of financialization? What impact did these policies have on the long term future of the American economy?

#### **Terms to Identify**

President Gerald Ford Chile President Salvador Allende International Telegraph and Telephone September 11, 1973 General Augusto Pinochet 1971-Nixon Opening to China Premier Zhou Enlai Mao Zedong 1972 election George McGovern Watergate Nixon's resignation August 1974 Energy Crisis of 1973 Stagflation President Gerald Ford President Jimmy Carter Anwar Sadat Menachem Begin The Camp David Accords The Iranian Revolution 1977-1979 The Shah of Iran The Ayatollah Ruholla Khomeni The Iranian Hostage Crisis

Inflation The Moral Majority Jerry Falwell Monetarists Milton Friedman and Frederick Hayek Margaret Thatcher Pope John Paul II President Ronald Reagan Paul Volker William Casey The Strategic Defense Initiative Afghanistan The Mujahadeen The Nicaraguan Revolution Anastasio Somoza The Sandinistas The Contras The Iran-Contra Scandal Leonid Brezhnev Mikhail Gorbachev Chernobyl The Fall of the Berlin Wall