

SYLLABUS FOR HISTORY 3310
HISTORY OF THE AMERICAN WEST
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LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

In this course, a primary student learning outcome will be for students to learn to analyze the importance of cause and effect in an historical context. By gaining an understanding of this student learning objective, students will acquire the marketable skill listed below.

SLO—The history student will demonstrate knowledge of American History, World History, and Non-American 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.

In this course students will learn about the Spanish conquests in Mexico and North America.

In this course students also will examine the French and English Conquests in North America.

In this course students also will study the Anglo American expansion west of the Appalachian Mountains.

In this course students also will learn about the Anglo American expansion west of the Mississippi River.

In this course students also will examine the removal of Indian tribes to the West, commerce with Mexico, and the takeover of Texas.

In this course students will also study the war with Mexico.

In this course students will also learn about mining in the West and transportation in the West.

In this course students will also study about the cattle drives from Texas.

TEXTBOOKS AND EXAMS

The book needed for this course is *The American West: An Interpretive History*, 1st edition, by Robert Hine and Mack Faragher (ISBN--978-0300078350).

STUDENTS MUST STUDY THE MATERIAL IN THE TEXTBOOK CAREFULLY TO ENSURE AN ADEQUATE GRADE.

Students will prove their mastery of the material learned in the textbook by completing three online examinations during the course. These examinations will consist of multiple choice questions and will total one hundred points per test. The examinations will be timed, with fifty minutes given for the completion of every exam. Students must complete each exam during the time given, and a make-up exam will require an extraordinary reason. The exams will be posted on Blackboard early in the morning of the due date and will stay posted until 8:00 p.m. These three examinations will count for one hundred percent of the final grade, with each exam counting for one third of the final grade. Review questions for each chapter assigned in each test will be available under Review.

The student will successfully complete the following assessments for History 3310:

- Three (3) major exams
- Feb 20 – Exam 1 – 100 points - 33.3%
- Mar. 27 – Exam 2 – 100 points - 33.3%
- May 2 – Exam 3 – 100 points - 33.3%.

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