

HIS 021: World History II (1500 to Present)

Term: 2020 Winter Session

Instructor: Staff

Language of Instruction: English

Classroom: TBA
Office Hours: TBA

Class Sessions Per Week: 5

Total Weeks: 3

Total Class Sessions: 15

Class Session Length (minutes): 240

Credit Hours: 4

Course Description:

We will study in this course the history of how the world developed during the past five centuries and became the globalized world today and how the social, economic, cultural and political developments were involved in the course. We will discuss a variety of issues including Early global connections and conflicts; Religious conflicts; economic rivalries; European Imperialism in Latin America, Africa, the Middle East, and Asia; Independence Wars; World War Iⅈ Cold War; Globalization; Worldwide modern political and social movements.

Course Materials:

Worlds Together, Worlds Apart, Robert Tignor, et al., 4th edition

Course Format and Requirements:

Attendance

Attendance is required. Unexcused absences be count in starting from the fourth unexcused absence and will result in an automatic drop in grade. With each unexcused absence your final letter grade will be dropped ½ a grade – NO EXCEPTIONS (e.g.: A to A-).

Grading Scale:



A+: 98%-100%

A: 93%-97%

A-: 90%-92%

B+: 88%-89%

B: 83%-87%

B-: 80%-82%

C+: 78%-79%

C: 73%-77%

C-: 70%-72%

D+: 68%-69%

D: 63%-67%

D-: 60%-62%

F: Below 60%

Course Assignments:

Paper

Paper should be double spaced, in 12-point Times New Roman font, with 1" margins all around. Place your name, assignment title, and date in the top right corner of the first page. Detailed topics for paper will be discussed in class.

Exams

The three exams will be based mainly on class lectures. Exams will include both short answer and essay questions.

<u>Midterm Exam</u>

The midterm exam will be based on concepts covered in class. It will be in-class, close-book and non-cumulative.

Final Exam

The final will be and close-book. Note that the final will not be taken during the normal class times. Exact time and location for final will be announced later.

Course Assessment:

Midterm Exam 1	20%
Midterm Exam 2	20%



Paper	25%
Final Exam	35%
Total	100%

Course Schedule:

Week 1- Class 1	Week 1- Class 2
Introduce the course	The Atlantic World and Portugal
Bias and Critical Thinking in the Sciences and	Prosperity in Asia
the Humanities	Silver, the Devil, and Coca Leaf in the Andes
Contact, commerce, and colonization:	Conceptualizing Revolutions:
European Exploration	Models of Causes and Consequences
Week 1- Class 3	Week 1- Class 4
Atlantic Revolutions	Worlds entangled:
Slave Trade and Exchange	Economic and political effects of Global
Industrialization in Europe and globally	commerce;
Revolutions of industrialization	Exchanges and expansions in north America
Conducting biographical research	The Slave Trade and Africa
	Asia in the 17th-and 18th Centuries
Week 1- Class 5	Week 2- Class 6
Worlds entangled:	The principles of mercantilism
Economic and political fluctuations in western	Cultures of Splendor and Power:
Europe	Culture in the Islamic World
Midterm Exam 1	Hybrid Cultures in the Americas
	Revolutionary Transformations
Week 2- Class 7	Week 2- Class 8
Abolition of the Slave Trade	19th-Century:
The Enlightenment in Europe	Reactions to Social and Political Change
Economic Reordering	Prophecy and Rebellion in China
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The Opium War	Socialists and Radicals in Europe
Week 2- Class 9	Week 2- Class 10
Nations and Empires:	Finances, Industry, and the Woman Question
Industry; Imperialism	Class conflict and the Mexican Revolution
China; Imperialism in China	Midterm Exam 2
Peoples in Motion	
Discontent with Imperialism	
Week 3- Class 11	Week 3- Class 12
Cultural Modernism	Anti-colonialism, Gandhi and Indian
Race and Nation	Nationalism; India Self-Government
The Great War	World Wars I and II
Mass society & Mass politics	The Cold War
Liberal Democracy, Authoritarianism, and	
Latin American Corporatism	
Week 3- Class 13	Week 3- Class 14
Communism's Rise and Fall; Revolution,	Migration, culture, and communication
Socialism & Global Conflict	East Germany
Globalization	Education and inequality
Global integration and the end of the Cold War	Global Challenges
Finance and Trade	Demographic Issues
	Anti-Immigrant Sentiments
Week 3- Class 15	
2001 to the Present:	
Russia, China, and India;	Final Exam (Cumulative): TBA
The Middle East, Africa, and Latin America	
Review for Final	

Academic Integrity:

Students are encouraged to study together, and to discuss lecture topics with one another, but all other work should be completed independently.



Students are expected to adhere to the standards of academic honesty and integrity that are described in the Shanghai Normal University's *Academic Conduct Code*. Any work suspected of violating the standards of the *Academic Conduct Code* will be reported to the Dean's Office. Penalties for violating the *Academic Conduct Code* may include dismissal from the program. All students have an individual responsibility to know and understand the provisions of the *Academic Conduct Code*.

Special Needs or Assistance:

Please contact the Administrative Office immediately if you have a learning disability, a medical issue, or any other type of problem that prevents professors from seeing you have learned the course material. Our goal is to help you learn, not to penalize you for issues which mask your learning.