KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY
Introduction to World History- HIST 1110
Fall 2011

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Classroom: Social Science Building-Room 3019

Course Number: History 110-Section 34

Time: Saturdays-11:00am-1:45pm

Office Hours: 10:00-11:00am on Saturdays and by appointments

Required for all KSU students (Area E: Social Sciences)

Prerequisite: ENG 0099 and READ 099, if required

Course Description: An overview of world history which provides an introduction to the origin and development of the world’s societies and their political, cultural, and economic traditions. The course uses a global approach to world history.

Objectives: The Department 's basic objectives for History 1110 are to:

1. Acquaint the student with the broad sweep of world history from the Neolithic period to the present.
2. Introduce students to the nature and sources of historical knowledge.
3. Develop in students a knowledge of the diverse cultural traditions and norms that have developed in different civilizations and different eras.
4. Familiarize students with the major geographic place-names relevant to world history and contemporary affairs.
5. Contribute to developing an ability to write clear, coherent prose.

Important Dates (subject to modification)

August 20       First class meeting
September 5     Labor Day
September 6     Faculty Development Day
September 20 – October 4  Mid-Semester Grade Submission
November 23-27  Thanksgiving Break
December 3      Last day of class
December 10     Final Examination

Evaluations:

Quiz               20%
Mid-Semester Examination  30%
Scholarly Article Review  30%
Final Examination       20%

Grading Scale:

90 – 100  =  A
80 – 89   =  B
70 – 79   =  C
60 – 69   =  D
59 and below  =  F

Honesty is the best policy and independent study and self-reliance is emphasized in this class. The University standard against plagiarism and cheating will be strictly upheld.
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Week 14  Global Recovery and Division Between Superpowers
Week 15  Latin America, Asia, and Africa in the Contemporary World
          Global Politics and Economics
Week 16  Final Examination
RESEARCH ASSIGNMENT

Overview an article from one of the scholarly journals.


Standards for Reporting

Relate the bibliographical citation (example)


Be mindful of the following standards for reporting on the article.

1. Adequately identify its place in the (nation’s) research field.

2. Discern whether the writer is an authority in this field.

3. Deduct whether or not the article is to enlighten the reader in a special subject field or a part of some theme, movement etc.

4. Note the individuals in society who would appreciate the article the most (classroom teachers, administrators, historians, sociologists, public policy makers, political scientists, geographers etc.).

5. Relate your summation of the article in four typewritten pages (minimum).

6. The article selected should be reported on a separate sheet of paper in blue ink, if handwritten or typed with the recommended bibliographical format.

Research Journals

African Affairs (The Journal of the Royal African Society)
African American Review
African Studies
Africa Today
American Historical Review
Journal of African American History
Journal of American History
Journal of Modern History
Journal of Social and Behavioral Sciences
Journal of Southern History

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