History 2112-Section 8-Fall 2011-Mon./Wed. 11:00-12:15. Dr. Albert I. Slomovitz
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Course Objective: The primary goal of this course is for students to gain an appreciation and knowledge of U.S. history for the past 150 years. To fully realize this objective, students need to be active participants in class. Class lectures and discussions, based on required readings, are often the focal points for moments of insight and clarity.


Grading scale: A=90-100, B=80-89, C=70-79, D=60-69, and F=59 and below.

Tests: There will be three tests throughout the semester. Each will be worth 30 points. Make-ups will be permitted under exceptional circumstances, such as illnesses and family emergencies. If you are unable to take a scheduled test, please notify me as soon as possible.

Class Participation: Attendance will be taken daily. Students should make a strong, good-faith effort to attend every class. Frequent absences (more than 2) and/or consistent tardiness (three tardies equal one absence) will adversely affect your grade. Medical notes and other valid excuses will be required for an absence to be considered excused. Once they sign-in, students are expected to remain in class for the full session. Failure to do so will result in the loss of all attendance points. Obviously, sign in only on your card. Please tell Dr. Slomovitz when you need to leave class early. This portion of your grade is worth 10 points equaling 10% of your total grade.

Academic Integrity Statement-Every KSU student is responsible for upholding the provisions of the Student Code of Conduct, as published in the Undergraduate and graduate catalogs. Section II of the Student Code of Conduct addresses the University’s policy on academic honesty, including provisions regarding plagiarism and cheating, unauthorized access to University materials, misrepresentation/falsification of university records or academic work, malicious removal, retention, or destruction of library materials, malicious/intentional misuse of computer facilities and/or services, and misuse of student identification cards. Incidents of alleged misconduct will be handled through the established procedures of the University Judiciary Program, which includes either an “informal” resolution by a faculty member, resulting in a grade adjustment, or a formal hearing procedure, which may subject a student to the Code of Conduct’s minimum one semester suspension requirement.

**Pedagogical and anecdotal evidence have suggested the negative impact of laptops. Therefore, permission will be given to the use of laptops on a case by case basis**
Final grade totals: Three tests equal 90 points and attendance 10 points, total 100. Each exam includes multiple-choice questions. Concerns about lower grades and loss of scholarships should be addressed with Dr. Slomovitz throughout the semester. **Last moment grade-change requests, i.e., during finals, will not be accepted for reasons of fairness.**

August 17th-Overview of course:
First test period covers from the end of the Civil War through the year 1900. Specific study topics will also be highlighted on View Vista and reviewed in class prior to exams.

First test-Wednesday Sept. 21

Second test period covers the Progressive era, the Depression and concludes with World War II. Specific study topics will be reviewed in class. Material also includes videos shown in class. (9/28 and 10/10 classes on line, not in class.)

Second test-Monday-October 31st

Final exam covers the Cold War, Korea, Vietnam, 9/11 and contemporary issues.

Final is Wednesday December 7th at 11am