HIST 1110
Introduction to World History

Semester: Spring 2014
Location: Social Sciences Building, Room 3030
Sections 22 and 23
Time: T and Th. 9:30 -- 10:45 OR
T and Th. 12:30 -- 1:45

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Course Description:
An overview of world history that provides an introduction to the origin and development of the world’s societies and their political, cultural, and economic traditions.

Learning Objectives:
HIST 1110 satisfies one of Kennesaw State University’s general education program requirements. It addresses the Social Sciences general education learning outcome(s). The learning outcome states: Students analyze the complexity of human behavior and how social, historical, economic, political, or spatial relationships develop, persist, or change. For more information about KSU’s General Education program requirements and associated learning outcomes, please visit http://catalog.kennesaw.edu/preview_program.php?catoid=10&poid=704

Required Reading: ISBN-10: 0205835503

KSU Assessment:
Kennesaw State University is currently engaged in a campus-wide assessment of its general education program. The purpose is to measure student achievement with respect to faculty defined student learning outcomes. This course has been selected to participate in the process. No individually-identifiable student information will be collected as part of the assessment. Data will be reported only in aggregated form. Students should know that the data may be used for scholarly work by members of KSU faculty (but only in anonymous and aggregated form).
If you are opposed to having your anonymous data used for scholarly work, you can “opt out” of this specific aspect of the process. For more information on the general education assessment process and for access to an “opt out” form, please click http://www.kennesaw.edu/gened/optoutform.html

**Attendance Policy:**

Considering the rapid pace of this course, attaining a passing grade without regular attendance is extremely hard. **Students are therefore strongly recommended but are not required to attend class.**

**Electronic Devices Policy:**

- Voice recorders are permitted in the classroom.
- **No Lap-tops** maybe used in the classroom unless cleared by me for valid pedagogical reasons.
- **No cell phones** may be used in the classroom. Cell phones may not sit on desk tops or in laps.
- **Failure to turn off these devices will result in a reduction of the FINAL grade by 5% for each infraction.**
- Cases in which these devices are needed for emergency communication must be cleared by me beforehand.
- **No electronic equipment may be visible during exams/quizzes with penalty of automatic failure for the course.**

**Course Assessments/Assignments:**

- There will be **THREE** exams, spread throughout the semester. The last one will be the final exam.
- Each exam will have 60 multiple choice questions, worth 60 points
- Exams 1 and 3 will have an in-class written section, worth 40 points.
- Exam 2 will have a take home essay, with a minimum number of 750 words. It will also be worth 40 points.
- Students will need to have a Scantron sheet for each exam, and a Blue/Green book (any size) for the in-class written assignments and the take-home essay. One book should be enough for all three exams. A time frame of 3-5 days will be given for students to turn in the take-home essay.
- **FOUR** map quizzes will be given. Students will have a word bank in advance from which to study, and will be able to consult it during the quiz. Each map quiz will be worth 10 points;
- **FOUR** documents will be assigned, with a quiz for each, worth 10 points.
- The KSU assignment (document-based) will be worth 20 points
Grading:

Grade Calculations

THREE exams worth 100 points each = 300 points - 75% of grade

4 map quizzes + 4 document quizzes + KSU assignment = 100 points - 25% of grade.

Grading Scale
Students are evaluated on the following scale:

A  -  360 – 400 points
B  -  320 – 359 points
C  -  280 - 319  points
D  -  240 – 279 points
F  – Below 240 points

I—Indicates an incomplete grade for the course, and will be awarded only when the student has done satisfactory work up to the last two weeks of the semester, but for nonacademic reasons beyond his/her control is unable to meet the full requirements of the course. Incomplete grades are only valid after submission of the Incomplete Grade form (signed by both the instructor and student) to the Department Chair’s office.

Academic Honesty:
The high quality of education at Kennesaw State University is reflected in the credits and degrees its students earn. The protection of high standards of academic integrity is crucial since the validity and equity of the University's grades and degrees depend upon it.

No student shall receive, attempt to receive, knowingly give or attempt to give unauthorized assistance in the preparation of any work required to be submitted for credit (including examinations, laboratory reports, essays, themes, term papers, etc.). Unless specifically authorized, the presence and/or use of electronic devices during an examination, quiz, or other class assignment is considered cheating. Engaging in any behavior which a professor prohibits as academic misconduct in the syllabus or in class discussion is cheating. When direct quotations are used, they should be indicated, and when the ideas, theories, data, figures, graphs, programs, electronic based information or illustrations of someone other than the student are incorporated into a paper or used in a project, they should be duly acknowledged. No student may submit the same, or substantially the same, paper or other assignment for credit in more than one class without the prior permission of the current professor(s).

Students suspected of violating the KSU statement of Academic Honesty will meet with the instructor to discuss the violation AND will be reported to the Department of Student Conduct
according to the process outlined at the following link:
https://web.kennesaw.edu/scai/content/scai-misconduct-procedures

**Cheating and Plagiarism will result in an automatic failing grade and will referred to the KSU Judicial Review Board.**

If a student is not sure what constitutes plagiarism he or she should consult one of these websites.

- [http://plagiarism.org/](http://plagiarism.org/)
- [http://www.indiana.edu/~wts/pamphlets/plagiarism.shtml](http://www.indiana.edu/~wts/pamphlets/plagiarism.shtml)
- [http://www.library.arizona.edu/help/tutorials/plagiarism/index.html](http://www.library.arizona.edu/help/tutorials/plagiarism/index.html)

**ADA Compliance:**
The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Public Law 101-336, gives civil rights protections to individuals with disabilities. This statute guarantees equal opportunity for this protected group in the areas of public accommodations, employment, transportation, state and local government services and telecommunications.

Should you require assistance or have further questions about the ADA, please contact: Ms. Carol Pope, ADA Compliance Officer for Students 770-423-6443.

**Course Schedule:**

Tentative schedule of topics:

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UNIT 2 More great religions
Global interactions; more great empires; the influence of ideas

UNIT 3 New ideas
Impact of science and technology
World-wide conflict
Gender, race and class
Professional Courtesy

In a large format classroom, courtesy toward your fellow students is absolutely necessary for maintaining a successful learning environment. The instructor has the right to remove any student(s) who engage in disruptive behavior including (but not limited to) excessive tardiness, excessive talking, and use of unapproved electronic devices.

Generic Essay Rubric

A = Excellent. Your essay will:
- Have a strong thesis (main point) that is clearly supported by an organized essay where appropriate.
- Provide an ample majority of excellent examples from your lecture notes and text to support your thesis.
- Show thorough comprehension of the ideas presented in class and in the reading.
- Demonstrate innovative ideas and approaches.
- Have strong analyses of material and arguments found in lectures and texts.
- Contextualize ideas and arguments to the overall historical period.
- Have proper citations where needed.
- Be written clearly, with few errors in grammar, spelling, punctuation or usage.

B = Very Good. Your essay will:
- Have a good thesis that is supported by a mostly well-organized essay where appropriate.
- Provide a substantial number of appropriate examples from your lecture notes and text to support your thesis.
- Demonstrate comprehension of the ideas presented in class and in the reading.
- Analyze material and arguments found in lectures and text.
- Connect ideas and arguments to the overall historical period.
- Have proper citations where needed.
- Be written clearly, with minor errors in grammar, spelling, punctuation or usage.

C = Good/Average. Your essay will:
- Have a thesis, perhaps flawed, or one that is incompletely supported by the essay where appropriate.
- Organized.
- Provide an average number of examples from your lecture notes and text to support your thesis.
- Demonstrate basic comprehension of the ideas presented in class and in the text.
- Reveal some incompleteness in coverage of the topic.
- Incompletely analyze material and arguments found in lectures and text.
- Incompletely connect ideas and arguments to the overall historical period.
- Have proper citations where needed.
• Be written clearly, with some errors in grammar, spelling, punctuation or usage.

D = Below Average/Barely passing. Your essay will have one or more major problems:
• A weak thesis; or one that is incompletely supported by the essay where appropriate.
• Incomplete or weak organization.
• Weak or insufficient number of examples from your lecture notes and text to support your thesis.
• Show minimal comprehension of the ideas presented in class and in the reading.
• Reveal significant incompleteness in coverage of the topic.
• Partially analyze material and arguments found in lectures and text.
• Have proper citations where needed.
• Show lack of coherence, or many errors in grammar, spelling, punctuation or usage.

F = Failing. Your essay will receive an F if it meets ANY of the criteria below:
• Does not meet the minimum requirements for a D.
• Few appropriate examples from your lecture notes and text to support your thesis.
• Fails to use lecture notes
• Shows evidence of plagiarism.
• Does not fulfill the requirements of the assignment or answer the question fully.
• Contains unacceptable amount of compositional errors.
• Written in stream of consciousness or incoherent argumentation (babbling or “fact salad”).