Georgia History

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MW 9:30-10:45 AM

Office Hours: MW, 11 AM-12:15 PM and by appointment

**Course Description:** In this course we will explore Georgia’s unique history from colonial times to the contemporary era. Major themes include contact and relations with Native American cultures; the American Revolution; slavery; Georgia’s economic development; labor; political development; the Civil War and Reconstruction; race and gender; the civil rights movement; culture and religion; change and continuity. This course covers Georgia as part of the Old South and the New South, and we will examine the various meanings of those concepts.

**Required Readings:**


We will be reading from *Empire State* each week.

**Other required readings:** We will also consult the New Georgia Encyclopedia and the Georgia Historical Quarterly frequently. NGE is available online at [http://www.georgiaencyclopedia.org/nge/Home.jsp](http://www.georgiaencyclopedia.org/nge/Home.jsp). GHQ is available via JSTOR. Assigned articles will appear on the calendar on the day they are due to be read. We will also add other readings from online sources. These will be announced in class in advance and posted on D2L. All listed readings will be required.

It is important that you complete the readings prior to class. Reading assignments are listed on the calendar. All students should complete all assigned readings.

**Exams and Grading:** We will have two essay exams in this class, inclusive of the final. Each exam will count 30%. In addition, students will complete two brief papers, explained separately (15% each). Finally, students will be asked to respond briefly (a paragraph or so) occasionally to questions based on class discussions and presentations (6-8 times during the semester). These brief assignments will count 10% of your grade.

**Academic Integrity Policies:** All students must abide by KSU’s academic integrity policies. See [https://web.kennesaw.edu/scai/content/ksu-student-code-conduct#2](https://web.kennesaw.edu/scai/content/ksu-student-code-conduct#2)