Course Description and Objectives:

This course offers a survey of the major themes and developments in world history during the post-World War II era. In addition to international, political, and economic relations, we will also look at social, cultural, intellectual, environmental, and technological developments from the context of increasing globalization.

The course aims to familiarize students with major primary sources of the post-WWII era and promotes the development of historical analysis skills. A strong emphasis will be placed on strengthening critical thinking skills and students will be expected to develop their own conclusions that they will need to be able to express and defend in a clear and logical manner.

Textbooks:


Other reading materials and supplemental materials will be provided through your instructor’s website, [http://ksuweb.kennesaw.edu/~mracel/](http://ksuweb.kennesaw.edu/~mracel/)

Many of the materials provided through the website will require the Adobe Acrobat Reader which can be downloaded for free from [www.adobe.com](http://www.adobe.com). To obtain the password for protected documents, visit D2L at KSU website.

It is also important in this class (as well as in general) to keep up with world news.

**Technology Requirements:**

- Basic Computer Skills
- Online access to Desire2Learn
- A computer with a sound card, and you will need dependable Internet access.
- **Webcam (required for quizzes and exams)**
- Word Processing Program such as Microsoft Word (recommended). Your files must be “docx” format. You can download a free clone version of MS Office at [http://www.openoffice.org](http://www.openoffice.org).
- A functioning Media Player such as RealPlayer ([http://www.realplayer.com](http://www.realplayer.com))
- A Printer, papers, ink, stapler.

**Course Assessments/Assignments:**

Online Exam 1 (10%) Multiple choice questions. Webcam required.

Online Exam 2 (20%) Multiple choice, some quotation analysis questions, and an essay (Written portion will be based on lessons from the beginning of semester) Webcam required.

Online Exam 3 (20%) Multiple choice, some quotation analysis questions, and an essay (Essay question may be comprehensive. Quotation questions will be based on materials after exam 2. Webcam required.

Research Project (30%) - more information provided separately:

Geography quizzes (10%) ONLINE. Webcam Required.

Other Quizzes, Assignments, and Participation: (10%).
Students are expected to complete their quizzes and exams during the “exam/quiz window.” To take the exams and quizzes, students must use the Respondus LockDown Browser and Webcam Monitor which requires a computer with a functioning internal or external camera & microphone (purchased for $10-$15 if you do not have them already), sound card, and strong/dependable Internet access. If needed, students may use the KSU library or computer labs to access the exam, but they must bring their own webcam-microphone.

Students, remember that you and your environment are being recorded while you take the exam. Please wear appropriate clothing and conduct yourself in a professional manner. Abuse of the webcam monitor will be reported to the proper authorities.

If you encounter any technical or personal difficulties (such as seeing "error" message), please let your instructor know. If you contacted your instructor before the exam/quiz/assignment was due, appropriate accommodation may be made. If you simply failed to take the exam/quiz/assignment, you will receive a ZERO.

* Your failure to comply with your instructor's request that causes an inconvenience to your instructor will result in up to 10 points reduction from the assignment/exam. Examples: wrong or damaged scantron sheet resulting in your instructor to grade by hand; failure to bring a printed copy when requested.

**Grading Scale**

Students are evaluated on the following scale:

- **A** - 90.00% or higher
- **B** - 80.00 % - 89.99 
- **C** - 70.00 % - 79.99%
- **D** - 60.00% - 69.99%
- **F** - Below 60%

**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.

**Attendance, Participation, and Class Decorum:** Class attendance is mandatory. Roll will be taken every session (two times in summer). Students should make a strong, good-faith effort to attend every class. Students with no or a few legitimate and documented absences may be granted a slight curve if the student’s final grade is at borderline. If you missed a class, please submit your explanation why you had to miss a class along with appropriate documents in a designated Dropbox folder in D2L (Please use Comments Box for
Students who are caught asleep or doing something not related to class will be counted absent. Please also note that regular attendance does not guarantee a passing grade.

If you missed a class, please send your instructor an email as soon as possible (within 48 hours) and explain the reason(s) why you had to miss a class. Documentation is required where appropriate. Students who are caught asleep or doing something not related to class will be counted absent. Please also note that regular attendance does not guarantee a passing grade.

Students who have 6 (3 days for summer term) or more unexcused and undocumented absences will automatically fail this course (one summer class = 2 sessions). If you find yourself in a situation that forces you to miss classes, contact your instructor as soon as possible. If you cannot make a commitment to attend classes regularly, withdraw from this course. All students are responsible for the material covered in class. If you miss class, the responsibility is on the student to acquire notes etc. from a classmate and NOT from the instructor.

In an attempt to create an efficient learning environment, disruptive behaviors will not be tolerated. Some examples of disruptive behaviors include arriving late and/or leaving early, moving around and/or leaving the classroom, and talking to your neighbor. It is very distracting to instructor and other students when you leave and return to the room during class, so PLEASE do not leave unless you have some sort of genuine emergency. If you have to leave class early, please let your instructor know at the beginning of class. Students arriving late or leaving early will be counted “Absent” or “Present” at the discretion of the instructor. Failure to comply with these requests may also result in your dismissal from the classroom.

Electronic Devices: Use of any personal electronic devices that will cause any distraction or disruption to you, your professor, or your classmates is not permitted during lecture. Based on these criteria, cell phones, MP3 players or any other devices that will produce any disruptive sounds will not be permitted. Please turn off or put on silent mode.

Use of electronic devices is permitted only to take notes, participate in class activities as directed by your instructor or to access e-books and documents used in the lecture. You must refrain from accessing any email, social media, playing games or any other activities not related to class. If your instructor finds you engaged in unrelated activities using your personal electronic device, you will not only be counted absent.

Quiz Policies: If you miss a quiz due to absence or tardiness, you will receive a grade of zero for that quiz. There will be no make-up quizzes.

Writing Center: The KSU Writing Center is a free service offered to all KSU students. Experienced writing assistants work with you throughout the writing process (on concerns such as topic development, revision, research, documentation, grammar, and mechanics) although assistants cannot edit or proofread your paper for you. Appointments are strongly encouraged. For more information or to make an appointment, visit http://www.kennesaw.edu/english/WritingCenter, or stop by Room 242 in the English Building.
Extra Credit: There is NONE. Don’t ask for it. Do a quality work in the first place.

Withdrawal: June 27, 2016 is the last day students can withdraw from this course without academic penalty.

Contacting the Instructor: The best way to contact your instructor is through e-mail (mracel@kennesaw.edu). Please include your full name and the class you are enrolled (such as HIST 3305: TH5:00PM).

The University provides all KSU students with an “official” email account with the address “students.kennesaw.edu.” As a result of federal laws protecting educational information and other data, this is the sole email account you should use to communicate with your instructor or other University officials.

DO NOT CONTACT THE INSTRUCTOR AT PERSONAL RESIDENCE UNLESS GIVEN SPECIFIC PERMISSION TO DO SO BY YOUR INSTRUCTOR.

Problems and Personal Matters: If you have any difficulty with this course, such as understanding the readings or lectures please contact me. If you have any personal issues that may affect how well you do in the course, please do not hesitate to contact me. Counseling service is also available to KSU students (http://www.kennesaw.edu/studentsuccessservices/cps/cslgindex.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 ADA Compliance Officer for Students, 470-578-2666.

Academic Honesty: Students are expected to be familiar and to comply with the regulations regarding academic honesty as described in the Kennesaw State University Catalog.

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 that 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).

(from Section II-A of the KSU Student Code of Conduct, as modified for Fall semester 2011)

Students found violating any of these policies (especially plagiarism and cheating) WILL AUTOMATICALLY FAIL this course and be turned over to the appropriate school authorities for further prosecution. There will be no exceptions. If you need help in adding citations, speak to your instructor about the proper way to document your work.

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