

HIST 1112 01

Modern World History

Semester: Spring 2016

Location: Social Sciences Building Room 3023

Meeting Time: Tuesdays and Thursdays 9:30am-10:45pm

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Electronic Communications: 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 email the instructor through D2L.**

Course Description:

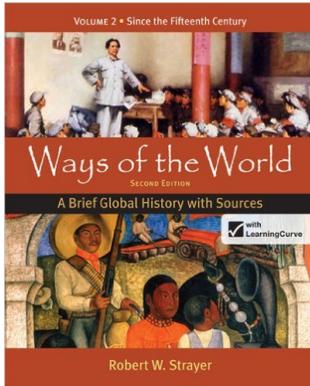
This course is a survey of world history from early modern times to the present. The course examines themes, events, trends, institutions, and ideas with a focus on global connections and interactions.

Learning Objectives:

HIST 1112 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=24&poid=2668

Required Reading:

Robert W. Strayer, *Ways of the World: A Brief Global History with Sources*, Volume 2, Second Edition, ISBN 978-0312583491. **MAKE SURE YOU BUY THE EDITION “WITH SOURCES”!**



Attendance Policy:

Students are solely responsible for managing their enrollment status in a class; nonattendance does not constitute a withdrawal.

This is a discussion-based class. Therefore attendance and active participation are both expected and required. Come to class prepared with questions to guide discussion. **Bring the day's assigned reading to class.**

Since attendance is so critical to your success in this course, for every absence you incur over five, one percentage point will be deducted from your attendance grade. All absences will be counted---there are no excused absences! Arriving more than five minutes late or leaving class early will result in a half absence.

Electronic Devices Policy:

Cell phones must be turned OFF before class begins.

Because this is a discussion-based class, there will be NO LAPTOP use during class. Instead, bring a pen and paper to class for taking notes. A Canadian study shows that laptop use can lower grades by 11-17%: <http://www.theglobeandmail.com/life/parenting/back-to-school/laptops-in-class-lowers-students-grades-canadian-study/article13759430/>

Course Assessments/Assignments:

| Assignments | Details | % of Total Grade |
|--------------------|--|-------------------------|
| Exam 1 | 02/11/16. A mix of multiple choice and short answer questions | 20% |
| Exam 2 | 03/15/16. A mix of multiple choice and short answer questions | 20% |
| Final Exam | 05/03/16. 10:30am. A mix of multiple choice and short answer questions. One short answer question will be cumulative | 25% |
| Participation | Participation in class discussions | 15% |
| Attendance | | 10% |
| Reading Responses | Reading responses posted to D2L for each class period | 10% |

The exams will consist of multiple choice and short answer questions. Each will contain one bonus question.

Students must read the assigned discussion readings for each class (look under “Class Schedule” to find the readings) and post a READING RESPONSE on D2L. **The reading responses must be posted to D2L by 8:30am on the day the reading response is due.** The instructor WILL NOT accept any reading responses posted after that time. To post a reading response on D2L, go to Discussions, click “Week _ Reading Response”, select “Start new thread”, write your post, then click “post”.

On Tuesdays, the assigned readings will come from the textbook and students must answer the following questions in their reading responses: 1) What is the most *important* part/aspect of the assigned reading and why? 2) What is the most *interesting* part of the reading and why? For Thursday classes, the instructor will post questions to guide reading responses in advance on D2L.

All assigned readings beyond the textbook (unless otherwise indicated in the “Class Schedule” below) will be posted to D2L Brightspace.

There will be no extra credit opportunities beyond the bonus questions on the exams.

Makeup Exams:

Make up exams will only be given if 1) the student makes the request for a make-up at least 24 hours before the scheduled exam AND 2) provides official documentation (such as a doctor’s note) within a week of the exam date. Make up exams will be given at the END of the semester.

Grading:

Grading Scale

Students are evaluated on the following scale:

A – 90%-100%

B – 80%-89%

C – 70%-79%

D – 60%-69%

F – 59% or less

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:

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 5. C 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 academic misconduct will be handled through the established procedures of the Department of Student Conduct and Academic Integrity (SCAI), 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. See also <https://web.kennesaw.edu/scai/content/ksu-student-code-conduct>.

Any plagiarism or cheating will result in an automatic FAILURE of the course.

Copying another student’s reading response is PLAGIARISM and will be punished accordingly.

What counts as plagiarism? Find out more at these websites or make an appointment to speak with the instructor about it:

<http://plagiarism.org/>

<http://www.indiana.edu/~wts/pamphlets/plagiarism.shtml>

<http://www.library.arizona.edu/help/tutorials/plagiarism/index.html>

ADA Compliance:

Students with qualifying disabilities under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and/or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act who require “reasonable accommodation(s)” to complete the course may request those from Department of Student Success Services. Students requiring such accommodations are required to work with the University’s Department of Student Success Services rather than engaging in this discussion with individual faculty members or academic departments. If, after reviewing the course syllabus, a student anticipates or should have anticipated a need for accommodation, he or she must submit documentation requesting an accommodation and permitting time for a determination prior to submitting assignments or taking course quizzes or exams. Students may not request retroactive accommodation for needs that were or should have been foreseeable. Students should contact the office as soon as possible in the term for which they are seeking accommodations. For more information please visit their website, sss.kennesaw.edu/sds.

Contact information is as follows:

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Professional Courtesy Statement:

Professionalism and courtesy are expected and encouraged in this class. In our class discussions, be respectful of the opinions of others, responding to their comments with politeness. Also, encourage quieter students to participate in small group discussions.

Do not conduct any activity unrelated to class during class time (i.e. doing homework, sleeping). EATING is not allowed in class. Drinking soda/water is permissible. Any disruptive or disrespectful behavior will not be tolerated.

In email correspondence with the instructor, use the language of formal letter writing. For example, begin your email “Dear Dr. Evangelista,” and end with a phrase such as “sincerely” or

“best regards”. Avoid contractions like “can’t” or “it’s.” **Do not email the instructor through D2L.**

Course Schedule:

Week 1 First Peoples/First Civilizations

12 January 2016

- Introduction to the Class.

14 January 2016

- First Peoples/First Civilizations Lecture.

Week 2 World Religions and Philosophic Traditions

19 January 2016

- Lecture on Confucianism, Hinduism, Buddhism, Christianity, and Islam

21 January 2016

- “Reflections from Confucius.”
- “Reflections from Jesus.”
- David Abulafia, “Propelled by Faith.”

Week 3 The Worlds of the Fifteenth Century

26 January 2016

- Strayer, *Ways of the World*, pp. 559-591.

28 January 2016

- Strayer, *Ways of the World*, pp. 593-599.
- John M.D. Pohl, “Aztecs: A New Perspective.”

Week 4 Political Transformations, 1450-1750

2 February 2016

- Strayer, *Ways of the World*, pp. 610-635, 639-648.

4 February 2016

- Strayer, *Ways of the World*, pp. 650-667.
- Felipe Fernández-Armesto, “Columbus – Hero or Villain.”

Week 5 Economic Transformations, 1450-1750

9 February 2016

- Strayer, *Ways of the World*, pp. 669-698.

11 February 2016

- EXAM 1

Week 6 Cultural Transformations, 1450-1750

16 February 2016

- Strayer, *Ways of the World*, pp. 719-734, 740-750.

18 February 2016

- Martin Luther, “To Several Nuns.”
<http://www.iclnet.org/pub/resources/text/wittenberg/luther/nuns.txt>
- Strayer, *Ways of the World*, pp. 756-759.
- Suzannah Lipscomb, “How Does it Feel?”

Week 7 Atlantic Revolutions, 1750-1914

23 February 2016

- Strayer, *Ways of the World*, pp. 772-811.

25 February 2016

- Strayer, *Ways of the World*, pp. 812-819.
- Brigid Wells, "From India to the Caribbean."

Week 8 Revolutions of Industrialization, 1750-1914, Part I

1 March 2016

- Strayer, *Ways of the World*, pp. 827-846.

2 March 2016

***Last Day to Withdraw Without Academic Penalty.

3 March 2016

- Strayer, *Ways of the World*, pp. 867-870.

Week 9 Revolutions of Industrialization, 1750-1914, Part II

8 March 2016

- Rachel Laudan, "A Plea for Culinary Modernism."

10 March 2016

- Lecture on modernity. No reading.

Week 10 Colonial Encounters, 1750-1950, Part I

15 March 2016

- EXAM 2

17 March 2016

- Strayer, *Ways of the World*, pp. 879-896.

Week 11 Colonial Encounters, 1750-1950, Part II

22 March 2016

- Strayer, *Ways of the World*, pp. 896-911.

24 March 2016

- Strayer, *Ways of the World*, pp. 913-929.
- Michael Sturma, "The Nubile Savage."

Week 12 Empires in Collision, 1800-1914

29 March 2016

- Strayer, *Ways of the World*, pp. 931-956.

31 March 2016

- Strayer, *Ways of the World*, pp. 963-971.

Week 13 Revolution, Socialism, and Global Conflict, 1917-Present

12 April 2016

- Strayer, *Ways of the World*, pp. 1035-1067.

14 April 2016

- Presentation

Week 14 The End of Empire, 1914-Present Part I

19 April 2016

- Strayer, *Ways of the World*, pp. 1087-1102.

21 April 2016

- Strayer, *Ways of the World*, pp. 1103-1118.

Week 15 The End of Empire, 1914-Present Part II

26 April 2016

- Strayer, *Ways of the World*, pp. 1120-1135, 1178-1179.

28 April 2016

- Wrap up and exam review.

Final Exam

3 May 2016, 10:30am-12:30pm.

This syllabus is subject to change.