History 2111  U.S. History to 1865  
Spring 2013

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Course Meetings: This class meets on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 11:00 to 11:52 in TLC, Room 1203

Learning Outcomes: History 2111 examines major developments and themes in American History from the pre-Columbian era through the end of the U.S. Civil War. The course has several learning outcomes: Students will demonstrate the ability to think historically through understanding the political, social, economic, and cultural dimensions of U.S. History; comprehend causal relationships and patterns of change and continuity over time; and demonstrate an awareness of the social significance of ethnicity, gender, race, and class in historical events and study. Classroom assignments will help students hone critical thinking, reading, and writing skills. Students will be evaluated using scheduled tests, unscheduled quizzes, and classroom discussions.

Grading/Course Requirements
1st Test/Midterm- 33% of grade  
2d Test/Final Exam- 33% of grade  
Quizzes- 34% of grade  
There is no extra credit offered in this course.

Tests- These will cover material from classroom lectures and assigned texts. The format will be announced in class.

Quizzes- Unannounced quizzes will be given throughout the semester on material from the assigned texts.

Makeup tests & quizzes- Makeup will be given only under emergency circumstances. Students who miss an assignment must provide the instructor with a written excuse from a doctor, coach, etc. explaining the absence. Students with valid excuses will have one week from the time they return to class to make up assignments, after which time they will be given a zero.

Class participation and discussion- Students are encouraged to ask and answer questions in class. Class participation can only help your final grade in the course and will be taken into consideration at the end of the semester in the case of students with borderline grades.

Attendance- Attendance will be taken at the beginning of every class period. Students who enter class late will not be allowed to sign the roll at the end of class. Students who need to leave during class must provide an excuse to the instructor before the class begins. Anyone who leaves during class without providing an excuse will be marked absent and receive a zero on that day’s assignment, even if the student has completed the assignment.  
Student attendance will be examined at the end of the semester in the case of students with borderline course grades. Students who are absent should get lecture notes from a classmate.

Laptops- Laptop computers are allowed for note-taking, but those using them must sit in the back row of the classroom. Texting or any other use of electronic devices in the class is prohibited.

Cheating- Cheating in any form (including plagiarism- presenting someone else’s words as your own without citing them) will not be tolerated. Students caught cheating will receive an F on that assignment and probably an F in the course.

Ayers, Gould, Oshinsky, & Soderland, American Passages, A History of the United States Volume One: To 1877 Brief Edition


Rowlandson, Mary, The Sovereignty and Goodness of God

Craft, William and Ellen, Running a Thousand Miles to Freedom

Alcott, Louisa May, Hospital Sketches
Weekly Assignments  Note: All chapter references are to Ayers, et al., *American Passages*.

Week 1 - Jan. 7-11  Introduction

Week 2 - Jan 14-18 Chapters 2-3, *Annual Editions*, Articles 1, 2, 3

Week 3 - Jan 21-25  Chapter 4, *Annual Editions*, Articles 4, 5, 6  No class on Monday, Jan. 21 (MLK Holiday)

Week 4 - Jan 28-Feb 1  Chapter 5, Quiz over Rowlandson, *Sovereignty and Goodness of God* on Friday, Feb. 1

Week 5 - Feb 4-8  Chapter 6, *Annual Editions*, Articles 11, 13

Week 6 - Feb 11-15  Chapter 7, *Annual Editions*, Articles 14, 15

Week 7 - Feb 18-22  Chapter 8, *Annual Editions* Articles 21, 22, 23

Week 8 - Feb 25-March 1,  Chapter 9, *Annual Editions* Articles 24, 25, 26

Week 9- March 4-8  Chapter 10  **Midterm on Friday, March 8**

Week 10 March 11-15  Chapter 11, Quiz on *Running a Thousand Miles to Freedom* on Wednesday, March 13

March 18-22  Spring Break

Week 11 March 25-29  Chapter 12, Online readings (instructions for gaining access to these through the UWG Library website will be given out in class)

Week 12 April 1-5  Chapter 13, Online readings (instructions for gaining access to these through the UWG Library website will be given out in class)

Week 13 April 8-12  Chapter 14, Articles 34, 35, 39

Week 14 April 15-19  Quiz over Alcott, *Hospital Sketches*, on Wednesday, April 17  Last day of class is Friday, April 19

Final Exam is Friday, April 26, 11-1:30 p.m. in TLC, Room 1203