History 2111  U.S. History to 1865  
Fall 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. Students who are absent should get lecture notes from a classmate. Student attendance will be examined at the end of the semester in the case of students with borderline course grades.

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.

UWG Honor Code, UWG Email Policy, Credit Hour Policy, and Americans With Disability Act- Please review these important university policies by going to: http://www.westga.edu/assets/dept/vpaa/CommonLanguageForCourseSyllabi.pdf
Required Texts


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*. All references to articles are to the 22d edition of *Annual Editions*.

Week 1- August 26-August 30  Introduction  Chapter 1,  *Annual Editions*, Articles 1, 2, & 3

Week 2- Sept 2-6  NO CLASS ON SEPT. 2/LABOR DAY  Chapters 2-3,  *Annual Editions*, Articles 4, 5, 6

Week 3- Sept 9-13  Chapter 4  Quiz over Rowlandson, *Sovereignty and Goodness of God*

Week 4- Sept 16-20  Chapter 5  Articles 9, 10

Week 5- Sept 23-27  Chapter 6,  *Annual Editions*, Articles 12, 13, 14

Week 6- Sept 30-Oct 4  Chapter 7  *Annual Editions*, Articles 15, 16, 18

Week 7- Oct 7-11  Chapter 8,  *Annual Editions* Articles 19, 20, 21

Week 8- Oct 14-18  **Midterm on Friday, Oct 18**

Week 9- Oct 21-25  Chapters 9 and 10 Articles 22, 23, 24

Week 10 Oct 28-Nov 1  Chapter 11  Quiz on Crafts, *Running a Thousand Miles to Freedom*

Week 11 Nov 4-8  Chapter 12  Articles 25, 26

Week 12  Nov 11-15  Chapter 13  Articles 28, 29, 31

Week 13 Nov 18-22  Chapter 14  Articles 36, 38, 43

November 25-29  No class Thanksgiving Break

Week 14 Dec 2-6  Last day of class is Friday, Dec 6  Quiz over Alcott, *Hospital Sketches*, Dec. 6

**Final Exam is Friday, Dec 13, 11-1:30 p.m. in TLC, Room 1203**