

Course Syllabus

Instructor Name

Course Name and Section: History 1301 C

Semester Fall 2011

NOTE: This syllabus is subject to change during the semester . Please check this syllabus on a regular basis for any updates.

Department	:	Social Science
Course Title	:	History 1301
Section Name	:	6C
Start Date	:	Aug. 22, 2011
End Date	:	Jan. 17, 2012
Modality	:	Face to face
Credits	:	3

Instructor Information

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Course Description

History 1301 is a survey course of U.S. History from the beginnings through Reconstruction, 1877. It consists of reading, understanding and analyzing major and thematic events of the time period. Students are expected to attend class and be attentive and fully engaged in class activities and discussions. Their grade will come from several unit tests, which will be based on study guides and reading assignments.

Prerequisites/Co requisites : Passing the THEA test

Scans : 1,2,9

Required Readings/Materials

a) You must purchase the following *required* readings/materials:

b) You are encouraged to buy the following *optional* books/materials

Course Objectives

Learning Outcomes

1. Students will acquire a deeper understanding of our past and from that develop an appreciation for the efforts and sacrifices of our ancestors.
2. Students will be able to make connections between past events and present problems. They will better understand modern problems by knowing the history of those problems.
3. Students will be able to think more critically about social issues and be able to analyze those issues.
4. Students will improve reading and writing skills, especially in the area of Social Studies.
5. Students will improve study skills by learning how to master a body of factual material for exams.

Course Requirements (Assignments and Assessments)

Students are expected to read the assigned material and be fully engaged in daily lessons. They will receive a study guide for each unit which will include a list of identification items and essay topics for that unit. Unit tests will come from this guide. They will be required to write descriptions of the selected items and give their historical importance. Each test is of equal value and will only cover the material studied in that unit.

Topic/Overview:

Summary of Assignments & Activities

Item(Name)	Type	Description
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Unit 1	Narrative/ descriptive	European background before the age of Columbus, with emphasis on development of major religious thought and culture of that time period.
Unit 2	Narrative/ descriptive	Discovery, exploration and settlement of America by European nations 1400's-1600's
Unit 3	Narrative/ descriptive	Revolution, independence and formation of the new nation 1700's
Unit 4		Development of the new nation, 1800-1830's
	Narrative/ descriptive	
Unit 5	Narrative/ descriptive	Sectionalism and Manifest Destiny 1820's-1850's

Unit 6	Narrative/ descriptive	Civil War, causes and campaigns 1850's-1865
Unit 7	Narrative/ descriptive	Era of Reconstruction, 1865-1877

Grading Policy: The semester grade will be based on an average of the unit tests. Each test will have equal value. Students absent on test day must make up the test on their first day back. Anyone caught cheating on a test will lose credit for that test, which can seriously affect the final average.

Percentage %	Grade
90-100	A
80-89	B

70-79	C
60-69	D
Below 60	F

Withdrawing from Class

Special Needs

Odessa College complies with Section 504 of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. If you have any special needs or issues pertaining to your access to and participation in this or any other class at Odessa College, please feel free to contact me to discuss your concerns. You may also call the Office of Disability services at 432-335-6861 to request assistance and accommodations.

Learning Resource Center (Library)

The Library, known as the [Learning Resources Center](#), provides research assistance via the [LRC's catalog \(print books, videos, e-books\)](#) and [databases \(journal and magazine articles\)](#). [Research guides](#) covering specific subject areas, [tutorials](#), and the ["Ask a Librarian"](#) service provide additional help.

Student E-mail

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Student Portal

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Technical Support

For Blackboard username and password help and for help accessing your online course availability and student email account contact the Student Success Center at 432-335-6878 or online at https://www.odessa.edu/dept/ssc/helpdesk_form.htm.

Important School Policies

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