American History 1301

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Course Objective: This survey course in United States history is designed to provide the student with a working knowledge of the history of our nation. This knowledge should enable the student to become a better informed and participating citizen of the country. The class is designed to provide the student with the opportunity to earn college credit for a course in United States history when circumstances prevent the student from attending a more traditional Odessa College course.

Course Requirements:

- 1. Four (4) Exams
- 2. Book Review Project

Deadlines for submission of the two areas listed above will be established by the instructor. All exams will be taken on the Odessa College campus at a time and place arranged by the professor. If a student, without making prior arrangements with the professor, fails to take the unit examinations by the established date, or fails to submit a project; the course grade of (F) is automatically given.

Grading: the student will have (4) exams. The professor will double the highest exam grade of each individual student. The project grade is equal to one exam. These points will be added together and divided by six (6), this will provide the student's course average. From the course average, I will determine the final grade.

Grading Scale: A 100-90; B 89-80; C 79-70; D 69-60; F 59-Below

Descriptions of requirements:

Unit One:

- 1. Read Chapters 1, 2, 3, 4
- 2. Exam over Chapters assigned. All exams will consist of multiple choice questions. You will need a scantron and pencil for all exams.

Unit Two:

- 1. Read Chapters 5, 6, 7, 8
- 2. Exam over Chapters assigned

Unit Three:

- 1. Read Chapters 9, 10, 11
- 2. Exam over Chapters assigned

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- 1. Read Chapters 13, 14, 15
- 2. Exam over Chapters assigned

Unit Five:

You will choose a book about American history for the years 1603-1877. The book must be about any aspect of American history during the time frame given. The book must be factual (no historical novels) and at least 200 pages in length. Once read, you are to write and submit to me a **review** about the book you read. Answer these questions as you write. Why did the author choose to write this work? Did they prove their point, and cite some examples. Then give me a review of what you thought about the book and why. PROJECT: typed written, double spaced, 12-14 font, and no more than 2 pages in length.

Deadlines:

Unit One: EXAM #1 is 8 February 2011

15 Feb. is your last chance to take EXAM #1

Unit Two: EXAM#2 is 8 March 2011

22 Mar. is your last chance to take EXAM#2

Unit Three: EXAM #3 is 5 April 2011

12 Apr. is your last chance to take EXAM#3

Unit Four: EXAM # 4 is 10 May 2011

Unit Five:

The project is due NLT 12 April 2011. Late projects will be accepted by the professor up to 6 May 2011. After 6 May 2011 no project will be accepted, and will result in the automatic failure of this course. Late projects will lose 2 points from the project's grade for each day the project is late.

Academic Dishonesty: This will not be tolerated. Academic Dishonesty is defined in the Odessa College Board Policy and will result in the immediate failure of this course, expulsion from this course and other disciplinary actions that may be taken by this institution.

Student Success Outcomes: Can be found on the Odessa social Science Web Page.

Scans: This course meets Scans requirements of 6 and 9.