

DEPARTMENT OF ARTS AND EDUCATION

COURSE OUTLINE – FALL 2020

HI1110 (A2): THE EARLY MODERN WORLD - 3 (3-0-0) 45 Hours for 15 Weeks

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OFFICE HOURS: Available on Zoom by appointment

FALL 2020 DELIVERY: Remote Delivery. This course is delivered remotely. There are no face-to-face or onsite requirements. Students must have a computer with a webcam and reliable internet connection. Technological support is available through helpdesk@gprc.ab.ca.

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:

This course is designed as an introductory survey of global history and will provide a foundation for advanced study in history and related fields. It covers the major political, cultural, intellectual and economic developments of the world from the 15th century through the 18th century.

PREREQUISITE(S)/COREQUISITE: None

REQUIRED TEXT/RESOURCE MATERIALS: None

Reading materials or links thereto will be made available as necessary on MyClass

DELIVERY MODE(S): The course work includes videos and readings, lectures, online content, discussions, research and writing assignments, quizzes, tests, and a final exam.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

This course intends to provide students with

- An overview of trends in world history within the themes of empire building, scientific and technological development, the history of ideas, and exploration and settlement.
- An understanding of the questions historians pose, the challenges they face, and the tools they employ in their work.
- Improved skills in collecting, interpreting, and presenting information.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Students will be able to describe the significant trends and events which shaped the world between 1300 and 1815
- Students will be able to independently investigate historical questions and present their findings in academic style
- Students will be able to critically respond to interpretations of world history between 1300 and 1815

TRANSFERABILITY: UA, UC, UL, AU, Augustana, MacEwan, BU, King's, and the University of Regina.

*Warning: Although we strive to make the transferability information in this document up-to-date and accurate, the student has the final responsibility for ensuring the transferability of this course to Alberta Colleges and Universities. Please consult the Alberta Transfer Guide for more information. You may check to ensure the transferability of this course at Alberta Transfer Guide at http://transferalberta.alberta.ca/transfer-alberta-search/#/audienceTypeStep

** Grade of D or D+ may not be acceptable for transfer to other post-secondary institutions.

Students are cautioned that it is their responsibility to contact the receiving institutions to ensure transferability.

EVALUATIONS:

Course Activities (Discussion Posts, Quizzes, Content Questions,	35%
Tests, Historical Claim Assessments)	
Primary Source Assessment	10%
Research Project (3% Proposal, 7% Outline, 15% Final)	25%
Final Exam	30%
Course Total	100%

All assignments must follow the requirements laid out on MyClass and discussed in class. Topics must be approved by the instructor unless specified otherwise on MyClass.

All assignments must be original work for this course. Work previously submitted for other courses will not be accepted in this course. Students found to have submitted previous work will receive a 0% for the assignment.

All written assignments must be word-processed. It is particularly important to save a copy of any written work handed in for credit or grading.

All assignments will be submitted electronically via MyClass. This procedure will be demonstrated in class.

All research assignments are to be submitted electronically before 8am the morning after the due date. Work submitted after the deadline will be assessed at a diminishing value of 4% for every 24 hour period or part thereof to a minimum value of 60% of the grade. Late work will be accepted up to 8am the morning of the day of the final exam. Extensions will only be considered when students contact the instructor prior to the deadline and present evidence of extenuating circumstances.

Students will be assessed on their research, synthesis and writing in the course assignments. The presentation of information in terms of organization and writing will be given equal weight in grading to the research and analysis.

A final exam will be written during the exam period in December.

GRADING CRITERIA:

Please note that most universities will not accept your course for transfer credit **IF** your grade is **less** than **C**-.

Alpha Grade	4-point	Percentage	Alpha	4-point	Percentage
	Equivalent	Guidelines	Grade	Equivalent	Guidelines
A+	4.0	90-100	C+	2.3	67-69
Α	4.0	85-89	С	2.0	63-66
A-	3.7	80-84	C-	1.7	60-62
B+	3.3	77-79	D+	1.3	55-59
В	3.0	73-76	D	1.0	50-54
B-	2.7	70-72	F	0.0	00-49

COURSE SCHEDULE/TENTATIVE TIMELINE:

Week of	Topic	
August 31	Introduction to History	
September 7	The Big Picture	
September 14	The World of 1300 and the Age of the Apocalypse	
September 21	The Ottoman and Mughal Empires	
September 28	The Ming Dynasty	
October 5	European Exploration	Primary Source Assessment Due
October 12	Fall Break – No Class	
October 19	The Reformation	
October 26	European Colonization	

November 2	European Imperialism	
November 9	Global Conflict	
November 16	New Ideas, New Technology	
November 23	The American and French Revolutions	November 27 is last day to
		withdraw with permission
November 30	Student Selected	Research Project Due
December 7	Exam Preparation	

A FINAL EXAM WILL BE SCHEDULED DURING THE EXAM PERIOD - HAVE A GREAT HOLIDAY!

STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Students are expected to commit the required time to complete this course. Requests to reschedule assignments or exams are extraordinary and will only be granted under such circumstances.
- Submitting assigned work on the dates set by the instructor.
- Regular attendance is important to success in HI1110 as is particular attention to online content on MyClass.
- Participation in course discussions contributes to your understanding and participation in MyClass forums contributes to your MyClass activities grade.
- The college policy on student rights and responsibilities is available here https://www.gprc.ab.ca/about/administration/policies/fetch.php?ID=69

STATEMENT ON PLAGIARISM AND CHEATING:

Cheating and plagiarism will not be tolerated and there will be penalties. For a more precise definition of plagiarism and its consequences, refer to the section on Plagiarism and Cheating in the College policy titled Student Misconduct: Academic and Non-Academic at (https://www.gprc.ab.ca/about/administration/policies/fetch.php?ID=68).

Instructors reserve the right to use electronic plagiarism detection services on written assignments. Instructors also reserve the right to ban the use of any form of electronics (cell phones, Blackberries, iPods, tablets, scanning pens, electronic dictionaries, etc.) during class and during exams.

**Note: all Academic and Administrative policies are available at https://www.gprc.ab.ca/about/administration/policies/