

History 1500
ROOTS OF THE MODERN WORLD:
GLOBAL INTERACTIONS, 1500-2000

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REQUIRED TEXTS

L. S. Stavrianos, *The World Since 1500: a Global History*. 8th ed. Upper Saddle River, NJ: Prentice Hall, 1999.

Alfred J. Andrea and James H. Overfield, *The Human Record: Sources of Global History, vol. II: since 1500*, 4th ed. Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2001.

Other readings may be assigned as the semester progresses; if so, they will be placed on reserve at Booth Library or handed out in class. I reserve the right to change assignments if necessary. Don't worry: I will give you notice of any such changes.

WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS AND TENTATIVE LECTURE TOPICS

| Date | Topic | Due |
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| Week One January 14 | Introduction: How to Study History | |
| January 16 | Tradition, Modernity, and Civilization | A&O, P1-P21 |
| Week Two January 21 | Islamic Empires | S, Ch. 18 A&O Docs 22, 23, 24 |
| January 23 | Suleiman the Magnificent | A&O, Doc 21 QUIZ 1 |

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| Week Three January 28 | European Renaissances | S, 305-310 |
| January 30 | Protestant Reformations | S, 310-315 A&O, Docs 1, 3 QUIZ 2 |
| Week Four February 4 | Catholic Responses | S, 315-317 A&O, Doc 2 |
| February 6 | European Exploration | S, Ch. 21, 22 A&O, Doc 39 QUIZ 3 |
| Week Five February 11 | European Expansion | S, Ch. 23, 396-398 A&O, Docs 4, 5, 13 |
| February 13 | Scientific Revolution and Enlightenment | S., 401-407, 432-435 A&O, Docs 10, 36, 38 QUIZ 4 |
| Week Six February 18 | Absolutism | FIRST PAPER |
| February 20 | English Revolutions | S., 430-432, 435-439 A&O, Doc 43 QUIZ 5 |
| Week Seven February 25 | French Revolution and Napoleon | S., 439-448, 452-454 A&O, Docs 44, 45 |
| February 27 | Industrial Revolution and the Making of the Working Classes | S., 407-421, 449-452 A&O, Docs 40, 62, 63, 65 QUIZ 6 |

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| Week Eight March 4 | MID-TERM EXAMINATION | |
| March 6 | China: Autonomous? | S., 296-300, 487-491 A&O, Docs 40, 61, 63 QUIZ 7 |
| Week Nine March 11 | SPRING BREAK | |
| March 13 | SPRING BREAK | |
| Week Ten March 18 | Japan and the Coming of the West | S., Ch. 31 A&O, Docs 57, 58, 79, 83, 84, 85 |
| March 20 | The Scramble for Empire | S., Ch. 32, 35 A&O, Docs 66, 67, 68, 72, 78 QUIZ 8 |
| Week Eleven March 25 | The Roots of War and War Itself | S., 535-543, 547-553 A&O, Docs 88, 89, 90 |
| March 27 | Post-War Empires and Western Hubris | S., Ch. 37 A&O, Docs 98, 100, 102, 103 QUIZ 9 |
| Week Twelve April 1 | Communism, Fascism, and Nationalism | S., 449-452, Ch. 38 A&O Docs 91, 92, 93, 94 |
| April 3 | The Coming of World War Two | S., Ch. 40 A&O, Docs 93, 95 QUIZ 10 |

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| Week Thirteen April 8 | World War Two | S., Ch. 41 A&O Doc 96, 97 |
| April 10 | Japan, the United States, and the Racism of War | A&O Doc 94 QUIZ 11 |
| Week Fourteen April 15 | The Cold War | S., Ch. 24, 43 A&O, Docs 110, 111, 121 |
| April 17 | China: Modern Nation? | SECOND PAPER A&O Docs 108, 109, 121 QUIZ 12 |
| Week Fifteen April 22 | India: the End of Empires | S., 482-84, Ch. 42 A&O, Docs 101, 112 |
| April 24 | The Failure of Communism | A&O, Docs 121, 122 QUIZ 13 |
| Week Sixteen April 29 | The Middle East | A&O Doc 99 |
| May 1 | Religion Confronts the Millenium: Fundamentalism, Secularism, and September 11 | S., Ch. 44 A&O Docs 53, 54, 100, 114 QUIZ 14 |

QUIZZES

There will be a multiple-choice quiz given at the beginning of class each Thursday. It will cover material assigned and lectures given since the previous week's quiz, and will have no fewer than ten but no more than twenty questions.

EXAMINATIONS

The Mid-Term examination will have one or two essay questions and no fewer than four short-answer (one paragraph) identification questions.

The Final Examination will be somewhat longer than the Mid-Term examination. It will have at least one question based on assignments, discussions, and lectures of the entire semester, and at least one question based on the work assigned since the second hour examination. It will also include identification questions.

For all examinations (but not quizzes), please bring at least one examination booklet to the History Department office by the day before the examination is to be given. Write your name, my name, and the class number (HIS 1500) on the front cover of the booklet and give it to the secretary. Examination booklets are available for purchase (at a cost of less than \$0.25) from the University bookstore.

PAPERS

Two papers based on reading assignments, lectures and outside research will be assigned.

OFFICE HOURS

My office hours are 9-11 and 1-3 on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and 9-4 on Wednesdays. You are welcome to come by. I am also available for consultation by email. Please do not assume that you cannot meet with me if my office hours are inconvenient; we can find a time to meet.

HOW TO REACH ME

Email is the best way to get in touch with me when I am not on campus. While I do have voicemail, I do not check it very often.

GRADES

Grades for this course are determined as follows:

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| Final Exam | 30% | A = | 90-100 |
| Mid-Term Exam | 20% | B = | 80-89 |
| Quizzes | 15% | C = | 70-79 |
| Paper 1 | 15% | D = | 60-69 |
| Paper 2 | 15% | F = | 0-59 |
| Class Participation | 5% | | |
| Total | <hr/> 100% | | |

CLASS PARTICIPATION

I recognize that some of you are most at home in classes where you can remain shy, mute, and stuck invisibly behind someone larger than you are. Don't worry; participating in class discussion is fairly easy if you have done the reading beforehand, especially if

you have thought about what you have read. You should be prepared to discuss all the readings for the week. If you participate in class (ask questions, answer questions, raise interesting points, nod sagely at silly statements I make, tell a really good joke, *et cetera*) it will help your final grade.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance is not absolutely required, but is strongly encouraged. I take attendance every day. I am not going to "deduct points" for non-attendance, but you will not serve your cause by being absent. Remember that a portion of your grade is determined by class participation; attendance is an integral part of that.

LATE WORK

A word of warning: I do not accept late work without prior arrangement. If you are having trouble with an assignment, talk to me *before* it is due. Do not just assume that I will not give you an extension.

READING FOR LECTURES

You will note that the reading for the week is given. I *strongly* advise you to get that reading done before the week begins. The lectures will be more understandable, the discussions more pleasant, and the instructor more jovial if you do. Please attend all lectures and take detailed notes. They and the readings will be your essential source of information for the exams.

MISCELLANY

If you have a question, ask it. Questions are "stupid" only if they remain unasked.

DISCLAIMER

I reserve the right to change any assignment or requirement listed on this syllabus if I deem it necessary. I will give you notice of any such changes.