

Brief Course Outline

Course Title: Patterns and Perspectives in World History

Course Number and Section: HISTORY 2701E 550

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Course Description:

This course explores Global History and the origins of the cultural, political, and economic networks which dominate our world. We will examine the important events from the ancient period to the modern era and analyze the interconnectedness of the world's cultures and religions, and explore how war, trade, environmental conditions, and technological developments shaped the global distribution of wealth and power. Of particular importance to the second half of the course is the concept of the "Great Divergence" and the establishment of colonial empires. We will test past theories, attempt to deconstruct Eurocentric narratives, and consider the world's history from multiple perspectives.

Learning Outcomes:

- identify and explain the significance of key events, people, and ideas in Global history.
- connect events from the past to current political and social issues.
- apply the historical method to challenge erroneous or chauvinistic assumptions of the past.
- express ideas and arguments clearly and concisely both orally and in writing.
- write and properly format an essay that uses primary and secondary evidence to support a thesis statement.

Textbooks and Course Materials:

All course readings will be available on Brightspace.

Methods Of Evaluation:

Assignment	Due Date mm/dd/yy	Weight - %
Quiz	10/02/21	5
Midterm (In-class)	11/27/24	20
Research Dossier	02/05/25	10

Assignment	Due Date mm/dd/yy	Weight - %
Essay	03/31/25	20
Exam	April Exam Period	30
Participation		15

In solidarity with the Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee, Lūnaapéewak, and Chonnonton peoples on whose traditional treaty and unceded territories this course is shared.

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