

EUH 2002
WESTERN CIVILIZATION:
From the French Revolution to the Present
Spring 2015

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Class Meeting Time: T 4 (10:40 AM – 11:30 AM); TH 4-5 (10:40 AM – 12:35 PM)
Class Meeting Place: Keene-Flint 117

This course will offer both an introduction to the study of history and an introduction to the history of the modern Western world. This course aims to provide students with a basic understanding of the major social, political, and cultural movements of modern European history, as well as an understanding of how these movements impacted the lives of individuals living throughout Europe. Through close readings of primary source material, classroom discussions, and several writing assignments, students will develop their critical thinking and analytical skills.

Course Description:

This course provides both Humanities (H) and International (N) general education credit, and is also a 2000-word Gordon Rule course.

Required Texts:

John P. McKay, Clare Haru Crowston, Merry E. Wiesner-Hanks, Joe Perry, *A History of Western Society* (Value Edition), 2014 (11th Edition), Macmillan (ISBN: 1457648490)
[AHOWS]

If you buy this used or online, please be sure to have an online access code that works, as you will need to access our course LaunchPad website

Heda Margolius Kovaly, *Under a Cruel Star*, 1997, Holmes & Meier Publishers, Inc., (ISBN: 0841913773)

Additional readings will be available on our class LaunchPad website or accessible through Canvas

Grade breakdown:

Your course grade will be determined by the following:

Six Quizzes – 20% (lowest will be dropped)

Two short response papers (500 words each) – 10%

One long response paper on *Under a Cruel Star* (1000 words) – 10%

Midterm exam – 25%

Second exam – 25%

Attendance and participation – 10%

93 = A; 90-92 = A-; 87-89 = B+; 83-86 = B; 80-82 = B-; 77-79 = C+; 73-76 = C; 70-72 = C-; 67-69 = D+; 63-66 = D; 60-62 = D-; Below 60 = E

Class Policies:

- Attendance policy: Attendance is required. More than 3 unexcused absences will result in the lowering of the student's grade by a letter grade. Three late arrivals to class will count as one unexcused absence.
- You may use your laptop during class to take notes. Please do not distract your classmates by emailing, playing on Facebook, etc. It is quite easy for instructors to tell whether you are using your laptop for purposes other than taking notes, and I will ask you to put your laptop away if I see that you are using it for something other than note taking.
- Cell phones should be silenced and put away during class.
- Tests cannot be made up and papers cannot be submitted late without prior approval, which shall be granted only for extreme circumstances.
- Students with disabilities requesting accommodations should first register with the Disability Resource Center (352) 392-8565, www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/, by providing appropriate documentation. Once registered, students will receive an accommodation letter which must be presented to the instructor when requesting accommodation. Students with disabilities should follow this procedure as early as possible in the semester
- Students are expected to fill out evaluations (<https://evaluations.ufl.edu/evals/Default.aspx>) of the course at the end of the semester
- UF students are bound by The Honor Pledge, which can be found here: <https://www.dso.ufl.edu/scer/process/student-conduct-honor-code/>
The Honor Pledge: "We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honesty and integrity by abiding by the Honor Code." On all work submitted for credit by students at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied: "On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment."

Plagiarism is a serious violation of the Student Honor Code. The Honor Code prohibits and defines plagiarism as follows: Plagiarism. A student shall not

represent as the student's own work all or any portion of the work of another. Plagiarism includes (but is not limited to):

- a) Quoting oral or written materials, whether published or unpublished, without proper attribution.
- b) Submitting a document or assignment which in whole or in part is identical or substantially identical to a document or assignment not authored by the student. (University of Florida, Student Honor Code, 15 Aug. 2007 <<http://www.dso.ufl.edu/judicial/honorcode.php>>)
- c) University of Florida students are responsible for reading, understanding, and abiding by the entire Student Honor Code.

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Course Schedule and Reading Assignments:

Please note that the schedule is subject to change. All reading for the week should be completed by Thursday's double period

Week one: The Enlightenment

Pages 516-537 in AHOWS

Tuesday, January 6, 2015 – Introduction to the course

Thursday, January 8, 2015 – Enlightenment

Week two: Revolution and the Napoleonic Era

Chapter 19 in AHOWS

Tuesday, January 13, 2015 – No class

Thursday, January 15, 2015 – French Revolution

Week three: Industrial Revolution

Chapter 20 in AHOWS

Tuesday, January 20, 2015 – Industrial Revolution I

Thursday, January 22, 2015 – Industrial Revolution II; discussion of online primary sources (chapter 19 and 20)

Week four: Ideologies and Upheavals

Chapter 21 in AHOWS

Tuesday, January 27, 2015 - Ideologies and Upheavals I

Thursday, January 29, 2015 - Ideologies and Upheavals II; discussion of online primary sources (chapter 21)

Week five: Urbanization

Chapter 22 in AHOWS

Tuesday, February 3, 2015: Urbanization I

Thursday, February 5, 2015: Urbanization II; discussion of online documents

Week six: The Age of the “isms”

Chapter 23 in AHOWS

Tuesday, February 10, 2015: “isms” I

Thursday, February 12, 2015: “isms” II; discussion of online documents; **Second Quiz**

Week seven: The West and the World

Chapter 24 in AHOWS

Tuesday, February 17, 2015: West and the World I

Thursday, February 19, 2015 – West and the World II; discussion of online documents;

Week eight: Review and Midterm

Tuesday, February 24, 2015 - Review

Thursday, February 26, 2015 - **Midterm**

Week nine: Spring Break!

Week ten: War and Revolution

Chapter 25 in AHOWS

Tuesday, March 10, 2015: World War I I

Thursday, March 12, 2015: World War I and Russian Revolution; discussion of online documents

Week eleven: The Age of Anxiety

Chapter 26 in AHOWS

Tuesday, March 17, 2015: Anxiety I

Thursday, March 19, 2015: Anxiety II; discussion of online documents

Week twelve: Dictatorships and World War II

Chapter 27 in AHOWS

Tuesday, March 24, 2015: Rise of authoritarianism

Thursday, March 26, 2015: World War II; discussion of online documents

Week thirteen: Cold War and Consensus

Chapter 28; *Under a Cruel Star*

Tuesday, March 31, 2015 – Cold War I

Thursday, April 2, 2015 – Cold War II; discussion of *Under a Cruel Star*

Week fourteen: Challenging the Postwar Order

Chapter 29 in AHOWS

Tuesday, April 7, 2015 – Postwar challenges I

Thursday, April 9, 2015 – Postwar challenges II; discussion of online documents; **Paper due**

Week fifteen: Globalization

Chapter 30 in AHOWS

Tuesday, April 14, 2015 – Globalization I

Thursday, April 16, 2015 – Globalization II

Week sixteen:

Tuesday, April 21, 2015 – Last day of class; **Second exam (Part I due in class)**

Thursday, April 23, 2015 – No class – reading day