Basic Course Information

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Class Dates	8/18/15 – 12/10/15	Office Hours	n/a
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Course Description

This course is a survey of American history from Reconstruction to the present (modern period). It will cover the major political, economic, social, gender, racial, cultural, and intellectual transformations of United States history during the modern period. Of special note will be an examination of America's rise to global power. At the completion of this course students will have a broad understanding of the most important ideas, personalities, movements, and events in the modern period.

Student Learning Outcomes

Upon course completion, the successful student will have acquired new skills, knowledge, and or attitudes as demonstrated by being able to:

- 1. Identify and recall key information from a historical text and/or a documentary film. (IL01)
- 2. Describe the causes and/or impact of a historical event. (ILO1, ILO2)
- 3. Explain and analyze the key information contained in a primary source document. (ILO1, ILO2)

Course Objectives

Upon satisfactory completion of the course, students will be able to:

Identify the major events and key intellectual, cultural, social, political and economic trends in United States history since 1865, and identify and understand the significance of important personalities and ideas in United States history since 1865. Specifically:

- 1. Describe the process of post-Civil War Reconstruction and the challenges and opportunities faced by the nation and people until 1877. Describe the movement of Americans into the trans-Mississippi west after 1877, the development of western industries and its impact on Native peoples;
- 2. Describe the causes and consequences of the second industrial revolution and the rise of American corporations;
- 3. Discuss the main trends in American politics during the Gilded Age including issues of labor, immigration and urbanization;
- 4. Explain the changing social, gender and class roles and experiences in the late-19th century;
- 5. Describe the rise of American imperialism and its effects in the Pacific, the Caribbean and Latin America;
- 6. Discuss the rise of the new political ideas of Populism and Progressivism and explain the changes they brought to American political, economic and social life;
- 7. Explain the causes, key events and consequences of World War I;
- 8. Discuss the main social and cultural trends of the 1920s, including the growth of modernism and the concurrent conservatism:
- 9. Explain the economic situation of the 1920s and the causes of the Great Depression;
- 10. Discuss the programs and policies of the New Deal, both successes and failures;
- 11. Describe the causes of World War II, the reasons for United States involvement, the key events of the war, and its effect on the home front;
- 12. Discuss the causes of the Cold War and the events that led to the tensions between the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. in the postwar world;
- 13. Explain the policies and events of the Cold War of the 1950s, especially the Korean war, nuclear weapons, American interventionism, and Cuba;

- 14. Discuss the culture and society of America in the 1950s;
- 15. Describe the causes, key events, and successes of the black Civil Rights movement;
- 16. Describe the spread of civil rights activities to other groups (Chicanos, women, gays, Indians) and other areas (personal freedom, environmentalism, political action).
- 17. Discuss the causes, key events and consequences of the Vietnam War;
- 18. Describe the post-Vietnam war domestic and foreign policies and events;
- 19. Discuss the rise and success of the Conservative movement in America beginning in the 1970s;
- 20. Describe the end of the Cold War and the problems and opportunities facing the United States in the 21st century.

Textbooks & Other Resources or Links

The following books are required for the course for all students:

- 1. Text. Out of Many, A History of the American People, Vol. II, Faragher, Buhle, Czitrom, Armitage.
- 2. The Shock Doctrine: The Rise of Disaster Capitalism, Naomi Klein.

Course Requirements and Instructional Methods

- 1. I will give <u>in-class pop quizzes</u> frequently, based on both the assigned reading and lectures. There are <u>no</u> <u>make-up quizzes</u>.
- 2. There are **seven on-line quizzes** based on the lectures and assigned readings.
 - On-line quizzes must be submitted by the deadline. There will be no extra time given.
 - It is up to you to find the help you need to submit the quizzes.

3. Classroom Etiquette

- <u>Electronic Devices</u>: Cell phones and electronic devices must be turned off and put away during class unless otherwise directed by the instructor.
- <u>Food and Drink</u> are prohibited in all classrooms. Water bottles with lids/caps are the only exception. Additional restrictions will apply in labs. Please comply as directed.
- Disruptive Students: This is a college classroom; disruptive or disrespectful behavior will not be tolerated.
 - o It is NOT OK to be late, sleep, talk, whisper, or do homework for another class.
 - O Class will end on time, so don't pack up early and disrupt the class. Leaving early will be considered a tardy. Leaving during films or lecture will also be considered a tardy. If you have to leave anytime during class, other than established break times, you must inform your instructor. Anyone who engages in this kind of behavior can be asked to leave class.
 - Students who disrupt or interfere with a class may be sent out of the room and told to meet with the Campus Disciplinary Officer before returning to continue with coursework. Disciplinary procedures will be followed as outlined in the General Catalog.
- <u>Children in the classroom:</u> Due to college rules and state laws, no one who is not enrolled in the class may attend, including children.

4. Academic Honesty

- <u>Plagiarism</u> is to take and present as one's own the writings or ideas of others, without citing the source. You should understand the concept of plagiarism and keep it in mind when taking exams and preparing written materials. If you do not understand how to correctly 'cite a source', you must ask for help.
- <u>Cheating</u> is defined as fraud, deceit, or dishonesty in an academic assignment or using or attempting to use materials, or assisting others in using materials, or assisting others in using materials, which are prohibited or inappropriate in the context of the academic assignment in question.
- Anyone caught cheating or will receive a zero (0) on the exam or assignment, and the instructor may report the incident to the Campus Disciplinary Officer, who may place related documentation in a file. Repeated acts of cheating may result in an F in the course and/or disciplinary action. Please refer to the General School Catalog for more information on academic dishonesty or other misconduct. Acts of cheating include, but are not limited to the following: (a) plagiarism; (b) copying or attempting to copy

from others during an examination or on an assignment; (c) communicating test information with another person during an examination; (d) allowing others to do an assignment or portion of an assignment, (e) use of a commercial term paper service

5. Attendance

- A student who fails to attend the first meeting of a class or does not complete the first mandatory activity of an online class will be dropped by the instructor as of the first official meeting of that class. Should readmission be desired, the student's status will be the same as that of any other student who desires to add a class. It is the student's responsibility to drop or officially withdraw from the class. See General Catalog for details.
- Regular attendance in all classes is expected of all students. A student whose continuous, unexcused absences exceed the number of hours the class is scheduled to meet per week may be dropped. For online courses, students who fail to complete required activities for two consecutive weeks may be considered to have excessive absences and may be dropped.
- Absences attributed to the representation of the college at officially approved events (conferences, contests, and field trips) will be counted as 'excused' absences.

<u>Out of Class Assignments</u>: The Department of Education policy states that one (1) credit hour is the amount of student work that reasonably approximates not less than one hour of class time <u>and</u> two (2) hours of out-of-class time per week over the span of a semester. WASC has adopted a similar requirement.

Course Grading Based on Course Objectives

Grades will be based on a combination of:

On-line quizzes	300 points (of a total of 415 available points)	
In-class quizzes and class participation	30 points each	
Mid-term and Final	50 points each	
Class Participation, The Shock Doctrine	300 points	

Additional Help

- <u>Blackboard</u> support center: http://bbcrm.edusupportcenter.com/ics/support/default.asp?deptID=8543
- <u>Learning Labs</u>: There are several 'labs' on campus to assist you through the use of computers, tutors, or a combination. Please consult your college map for the Math Lab, Reading & Writing Lab, and Learning Services (library). Please speak to the instructor about labs unique to your specific program
- <u>Library Services:</u> There is more to our library than just books. You have access to tutors in the learning center, study rooms for small groups, and online access to a wealth of resources.

Disabled Student Programs and Services (DSPS)

Any student with a documented disability who may need educational accommodations should notify the instructor or the Disabled Student Programs and Services (DSP&S) office as soon as possible. The DSP&S office is located in Building 2100, telephone 760-355-6313 if you feel you need to be evaluated for educational accommodations.

Student Counseling and Health Services

Students have counseling and health services available, provided by the pre-paid Student Health Fee. We now also have a fulltime mental health counselor. For information see <a href="http://www.imperial.edu/students/stu

Student Rights and Responsibilities

Students have the right to experience a positive learning environment and due process. For further information regarding student rights and responsibilities please refer to the IVC General Catalog available online at http://www.imperial.edu/index.php?option=com_docman&task=doc_download&gid=4516&Itemid=762

Information Literacy

Imperial Valley College is dedicated to help students skillfully discover, evaluate, and use information from all sources. Students can access tutorials at http://www.imperial.edu/courses-and-programs/divisions/arts-and-letters/library-department/info-lit-tutorials/

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Anticipated Class Schedule / Calendar					
Date or Week	Activity, Assignment, and/or Topic	Due Dates/Tests			
Week 1	Syllabus & Introduction				
Aug 18 & 20	Gilded Age: Chapters 17, 18 & 19 (Out of Many, Vol. 2)				
Week 2	Imperialism; Progressivism: Chapters 20 & 21 (Out	On-line quiz on Chapters 18, 19			
Aug 25 & 27	of Many, Vol. 2)	& 20 due 8/29/15 .			
Week 3	World War I: Chapter 22 (Out of Many, Vol. 2)	On-line quiz on Chapters 21 & 22			
Sep 1 & 3		due 9/5/15 .			
Week 4	1920s; 1930s: Chapters 23 & 24 (Out of Many, Vol. 2)	On-line quiz on Chapters 23 & 24			
Sep 8 & 10		due 9/12/15 .			
Week 5	World War II: Chapter 25 (Out of Many, Vol. 2)				
Sep 15 & 17					
Week 6	Harry Truman's presidency: Chapter 26 (Out of Many,	On-line quiz on Chapters 25 & 26			
Sep 22 & 24	Vol. 2)	due 9/26/15 .			
Week 7	Dwight Eisenhower's presidency				
Sep 29 & Oct 1	• Chapter 27 (Out of Many, Vol. 2)				
	• Shock Doctrine, Part I (1950s & 60s, Ch. 1 & 2)				
Week 8	Presidencies of JFK; LBJ: Chapter 28 (Out of Many,	Mid-term Exam, 10/8/15.			
Oct 6 & 8	Vol. 2)	Wild-term Exam, 10/0/10.			
Week 9	Richard Nixon presidency	On-line quiz on Ch. 27, 28 & 29			
Oct 13 & 15	• Chapter 29 (Out of Many, Vol. 2)	due 10/17/15.			
	• Shock Doctrine, Part II (1970s, Ch. 3, 4 & 5)	due 10/1/13.			
Week 10	Presidencies of Gerald Ford; Jimmy Carter: Chapter				
Oct 20 & 22	30 (<u>Out of Many</u> , Vol. 2)				
Week 11	Presidencies of Ronald Reagan; George H. W. Bush				
Oct 27 & 29	• Shock Doctrine, Part III (1980s, Ch. 6, 7 & 8)				
Week 12 & 13	Bill Clinton's presidency	On-line quiz on Chapters 30 & 31			
Nov 3, 5, 10 &	• Chapter 31 (Out of Many, Vol. 2)	due 11/7/15 .			
12	• Shock Doctrine, Part IV (1990s, Ch. 9-13)	due II///IS.			
Week 14	George W. Bush's presidency				
Nov 17-19	• Shock Doctrine, Part V (2000s, Ch.14 & 15)				
	Shock Doctrine, Part VI (Iraq, Ch. 16, 17 & 18)				
Thanksgiving					
Week 15, Dec.	Barack Obama's presidency				
1-3	Shock Doctrine, Part VII (Ch. 19, 20 & 21)				
Week 16	Final	Final on 12/10/15			
Dec 8 & 10	A 111WA				