HST 1301 Syllabus
Mountain View College

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Course Information
Course Title: American History to 1877
Course Number: HST 1301
Section Number: 63506
Semester/Year: Spring 2020
Credit Hours: 3 Semester Hours
Class Meeting Time/Location:
Certification Date: 2/3/2020
Last Day to Withdraw: 4/16/2020

Course Prerequisites
Developmental Reading 0093 or English as a Second Language (ESOL) 0044 or have met the Texas Success Initiative (TSI) standard in Reading.

Course Description
The history of the United States is presented, beginning with African, European, and American backgrounds and first discoveries. The pattern of exploration, settlement, and development of institutions is followed throughout the colonial period and the early national experience to 1877. (3 Lec.) Coordinating Board Academic Approval Number 4508025125

Student Learning Outcomes
Students will be able to:

- Analyze and interpret a variety of printed materials – books, documents and articles – above the 12th grade level.
Produce clear, correct and coherent prose adapted to purpose, occasion and audience – above the 12th grade level.

Analyze and interpret various forms of spoken communication and possess sufficient literacy skills of writing and reading – above the 12th grade level.

Think and analyze at a critical level.

**Texas Core Objectives**
The College defines essential knowledge and skills that students need to develop during their college experience. These general education competencies parallel the Texas Core Objectives for Student Learning. In this course, the activities you engage in will give you the opportunity to practice two or more of the following core competencies:

1. **Critical Thinking Skills** - to include creative thinking, innovation, inquiry, and analysis, evaluation and synthesis of information
2. **Communication Skills** - to include effective development, interpretation, and expression of ideas through written, oral, and visual communication
3. **Empirical and Quantitative Skills** - to include the manipulation and analysis of numerical data or observable facts resulting in informed conclusions
4. **Teamwork** - to include the ability to consider different points of view and to work effectively with others to support a shared purpose or goal
5. **Personal Responsibility** - to include the ability to connect choices, actions, and consequences to ethical decision-making
6. **Social Responsibility** - to include intercultural competence, knowledge of civic responsibility, and the ability to engage effectively in regional, national, and global communities

**Required Course Materials**
American Journey v1, Goldfield

Note: A student of this institution is not under any obligation to purchase a textbook from a university-affiliated bookstore. The same textbook may also be available from an independent retailer, including an online retailer.

**Graded Work**
The tables below provide a summary of the graded work in this course and an explanation of how your final course grade will be calculated.
Summary of Graded Work

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<th>Points</th>
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<tr>
<td>Writing Assignments</td>
<td>4 @ 25 points</td>
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<td>Book Review</td>
<td>1 @ 100 points each</td>
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<td>Exams</td>
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**TOTAL: 500 points**

Final Grade

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**Attendance and Your Final Grade**

Students are expected to attend all classes. Students have the responsibility to attend class and to consult with the instructor when an absence occurs. If for some reason you must leave class early, you should inform the instructor prior to the start of class of your reason for leaving early.

Students must begin attendance in all classes of enrollment. No exceptions. Financial Aid will not be granted to students who have been certified as not attending, by the certification date. For this lecture course, your physical participation in class, on or before the certification date will allow you to receive credit for FA purposes. For certification dates, check with the division or FAO for further information. Students, who are not certified as beginning class, are responsible for any payments due as a result of non-certification, to include the dropping of courses.

**Late Work Policy**

For every class period passed the due date, the book review grade given will be reduced by 10 points. Writing Assignments may be turned in late at any point with 5 point deduction.

If a student misses either the first or second unit exam with an excused absence, a separate exam will be offered at the testing center at a time to be determined. There is no make up for the final exam.
Other Course Policies

Academic Dishonesty:
Students that caught plagiarizing an assignment will be subject to an “F” in the course and possible expulsion from the college.

Academic honesty is expected, and integrity is valued in the Dallas County Community Colleges. Scholastic dishonesty is a violation of the Code of Student Conduct. Scholastic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, cheating on a test, plagiarism, and collusion. As a college student, you are considered a responsible adult. Your enrollment indicates acceptance of the DCCCD Code of Student Conduct published in the DCCCD Catalog. More information is available at https://www1.dcccd.edu/catalog/ss/code.cfm.

Institutional Policies
Institutional Policies relating to this course can be accessed using the link below. These policies include information about tutoring, Disabilities Services, class drop and repeat options, Title IX, and more.
Mountain View Institutional Policies (http://www.mountainviewcollege.edu/syllabipolicies)

Course Schedule

See Course Calendar