HIST 1301 Syllabus
Richland college

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Course Information
Course Title: American History
Course Number: HIST 1301
Section Number: 83013
Semester/Year: Sp 2020
Credit Hours: 3
Class Meeting Time/Location: U101- TTH-2:320
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Last Day to Withdraw: 4/16/2020

Course Prerequisites
This is a Texas Common Course Number. This is a Core Curriculum course selected by the colleges of DCCCD.
Prerequisite Required: College level ready in Reading.
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Student Learning Outcomes

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1. Create an argument through the use of historical evidence.
2. Analyze and interpret primary and secondary sources.
3. Analyze the effects of historical, social, political, economic, cultural, and global forces on this period of United States history.

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**

The Unfinished Nation, Volume 1, Alan Brinkley, Huebinger, and Giggie
ISBN # 978-1-264-03424-6
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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Notecards-You will include on this 5x8 inch notecard, information about what you read about a particular time period. Also included is the MLA source, and your name. The schedule is following.
1-1600-1750-Jan 28
2-1751-1800-Feb 4
3-1801-1830-Feb 11
4-1831-1850-Feb 18
5-1850-1865-Feb 1851-1865
I will accept them up to one week after the due date. After that, the grade becomes a 0. You can makeup up one notecard at the end of the course. All others will be marked as 0.

Exams-We will have an exam per unit and there are 4 units. They are comprised of 60 multiple choice/matching questions and 25 map questions. You may makeup one test at the end of the semester. All other missed tests will be counted as 0.

There are many opportunities for extra credit during the semester.

Attendance and Your Final Grade
You must attend class to be included in your group work assignments that makeup 1.5 points on your final grade.

Late Work Policy
I will accept late notecards up to a week after the due date. All others will be counted as 0.
I will accept one makeup test. All others will be counted as 0.

Other Course Policies
When emailing me, please put your name and section number in the subject area.

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.
Richland Institutional Policies (http://www.richlandcollege.edu/syllabipolicies)

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