HIST 101 Western Civilization through the Reformation

Credit Hours: 3

Scheduled hours per week

Lecture: 3 Lab: 0

Other: 0

Catalog Course Description: An analytical survey of the major events about 4000 B.C. to 1648. Emphasis upon the relationship between the past and present wherever possible.

Pre-requisites: N/A

Co-requisites: N/A

Course Learning Outcomes:

- Describe the development of western civilization from pre-history through the period of Reformation of the Church.
- Identify the political and economic factors that led to development in western nations and empires.
- Define the western role in foreign nations.
- Understand the relationship between secular political entities and those of the clergy.
- Explain causes of the ebb and flow of various western empires.
- Describe the role of war and politics and the significance of their impact on the development of the western world.

Topics to be studied:

- The Birth of Civilization in the West
- Rise of Greek Civilization
- The Republic and Empire of Rome
- The Rise of Christianity
- The Dark Age
- The Byzantine Empire
- Reign of Charlemagne
- Early Church History
- The Investiture Struggle
- The Crusades
- The Battle of Hastings and William the Conqueror
- Court Culture and Chivalry
- Medieval Society and Social Hierarchies
- Medieval Educational History
- The Black Death
- The Hundred Year's War
- The Great Schism
- Medieval Russia
- The Beginnings of the Renaissance
- Figures of the Renaissance Period (Machiavelli, Borgia Family, Artist of the Period)

Relationship of Course to Discipline Learning Outcomes

Define key actors and events in an historic period.	х
Distinguish major social, economic, political, and religious movements and their impact	Х
and influence.	
Illustrate appropriate skills in citing sources using The Chicago Manual of Style.	
Identify the constituencies affected by competing ideologies.	Х
Associate the interrelationship of nations and the results of competing national interests.	Х
Examine the plight and evolving status of oppressed peoples, including	Х
African-Americans, women, Native Americans, Hispanics, and immigrants.	
Develop sound research practices that reflect the standards in the field of history.	
Recognize the continuity of history and the influence of historic eras on succeeding eras.	Χ

Relationship of Course to General Education Learning Outcomes:	
Composition and Rhetoric Students illustrate a fundamental understanding of the best	
practices of communicating in English and meet the writing standards of their college or	
program-based communication requirements.	
Science & Technology Students successfully apply systematic methods of analysis to the	
natural and physical world, understand scientific knowledge as empirical, and refer to	
data as a basis for conclusions.	
Mathematics & Quantitative Skills Students effectively use quantitative techniques and	
the practical application of numerical, symbolic, or spatial concepts.	
Society, Diversity, & Connections Students demonstrate understanding of and a logical	х
ability to successfully analyze human behavior, societal and political organization, or	
communication.	
Human Inquiry & the Past Students interpret historical events or philosophical	Х
perspectives by identifying patterns, applying analytical reasoning, employing methods of	
critical inquiry, or expanding problem-solving skills.	
The Arts & Creativity Students successfully articulate and apply methods and principles	
of critical and creative inquiry to the production or analysis of works of art.	

Special requirements of the course:

N/A

Additional information:

N/A

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