# **Long Beach City College Syllabus History 2C (Modern Civilizations)**

History 2C - World History (1500 - Present) Section: 70001 Fall Semester, 2018

August 27th - December 15th

Schedule: Mondays, 6:00PM – 9:10PM Location: T-Building Room 2311 Instructor: Matthew Hacholski E-Mail: mhacholski@lbcc.edu Office Phone: (562) 938-4949

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# **Course Description**

This course is a survey of the major world civilizations since 1500 with an emphasis on global interactions. Topics include economic globalization; demographic, environmental and gender transitions; intellectual, religious and cultural transformations; imperialism and resistance to empire, birth of nations; and historical origins of contemporary world.

#### **Required Texts**

Merry E. Wiesner-Hanks et al., <u>A History of World Societies: Volume 2</u>, Macmillan, 2018, 11<sup>th</sup> edition ISBN 9781319059330.

#### **Rules of Conduct**

Show up to class prepared and ready to learn. Treat others as you wish to treated: with respect. This respect should be shown to your instructor and fellow students. Class participation and discussion is an essential part of the learning process however refrain from inappropriate or offensive language. Mute cell phones before class begins. Electronic devices are permitted in class for note-taking and class-related research only. The instructor reserves the right to prescribe a proportionate penalty if these rules are infringed.

#### **Academic Integrity**

Long Beach City College is a community which believes the pathway to success is paved through honest work. Academic dishonesty of any kind distorts the learning process and will result in you receiving an automatic zero for the assignment or exam in question and an official reprimand as appropriate. Academic dishonesty includes cheating, such as viewing your neighbor's exam, plagiarism or copying someone else's work (often from the internet) and presenting it as your own, as well as falsification and facilitation. For more information, refer to the LBCC Catalog.

#### **Accommodation for Disabilities:**

If you have a disability and wish to request an academic or classroom accommodation please notify your instructor and the Disabled Students Programs and Services (DSPS) as soon as possible. You may contact the Long Beach City College DSPS at (562) 938-4558 or visit them at the Liberal Arts Campus, Room A-1134 Monday through Friday 8:00am to 12:00pm.

#### Attendance/Drop Policy/Absence

Attendance will be taken at the start of every class. If you do not appear by the end of the first class, you may be dropped due to enrollment demand. If you are more than 15 minutes late, your daily participation grade will be deducted by 50%. Off-task cell phone or lab top use in or during class, even for emergencies, will result in a similar deduction. More than three unexcused absences will result in the lowering of your grade by 10% or being dropped from class. Should you wish to withdraw, as a student, you are responsible for meeting the class withdrawal deadline.

#### **Student Learning Outcomes**

- 1. Explain and analyze the processes of historical change and understand the difference between fact and opinion.
- 2. Organize historical thinking and writing by using facts, ideas, and events to ask questions, assemble evidence, and support conclusions with clarity and coherence.

#### **Grading Scheme**

Your grade will be a 500 point-based evaluation using the following weighed categories.

Assignments 10%

Participation 15%

Conference 5%

Mid-Term Exam 23 %

Final Exam 23%

Research Essay 24%

A 100 - 93% B+ 89 - 85%

A- 92 - 90% B 84 - 80%

C+ 79 - 75% D+ 69 - 65%

C 74 - 70% D 64 - 60%

F 60 - 0%

#### **Assignments**

In this course, you are expected to complete five separate assignments either in or outside of class meetings. Each assignment explores a distinct element of historical thinking and is worth 2% of your final grade. Four of these assignments must be completed individually whose topics are listed below:

- 1) Map Assignment
- 2) Historical Identification
- 3) Image Analysis
- 4) Primary Source Analysis

The fifth and final assignment is an **In-class Presentation.** Each student will be assigned a group and an event from the chronology list. This will be the topic for the group presentation and for the research essay that is due at the end of the course. Throughout the course, each group will provide a 15 min. presentation of that group's assigned event. The type of presentation is to be a group decision. It may be a historical drama, a short audio or web clip or powerpoint explanation. **All members of the groups must contribute** to the organization and presentation of the material. The presentation should focus on two issues: 1) defining and giving a brief background to the event (who, what, where, when) & 2) the importance or significance of the event to the United States. If you have questions about the organization or presentation of your topic I will be glad to help.

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# **Participation**

There are three principal ways students can participate:

- 1) In Class: by asking and answering questions in class,
- 2) Group: by contributing to their group discussions and assignments, and
- 3) Debate: by constructing or articulating the position of their assigned team their while listening to the arguments of their opponents.

Note: Participation and Assignments together count for 25 percent of your grade. Attendance and assignment completion therefore is a significant portion of your grade! There is no grading curve and extra credit should not be necessary.

#### **Instructor Conference**

One difference between high school and college is students are allowed, encouraged even, to meet their instructors outside of class. Given this, you are required to meet the instructor at least once during the semester for a short conference to discuss workload management and individual progress. This conference can be scheduled during office hours or by appointment and can last from a few minutes to ad infinitum dependent upon your needs.

#### **Exams & Research Essay**

Your Mid-Term and Final are each comprised of two sections; multiple choice and short answer. Each multiple choice section possesses 40 questions while each short answer section includes 12 key terms. From the 12 key terms, six must be selected and responded to. The question portion is valued at 80% while the key terms 20% of the exam grade. A 6-page research paper is also required. Each submission must include an outline, thesis, essay, and Works Cited. Detailed instructions for the research essay will be provided in-class and posted via Moodle. It is very important that you read the essay instructions carefully. A **typed paper copy** of the research essay section of the exam must delivered by **the date of final exam period 5:00PM** in order to receive full credit. The Final covers only the second portion of the class.

# Make Up-Exams/Late Work

If you miss an exam you must make arrangements for a make-up. Note you must contact me otherwise I will assume you intended to fail. If you fail to turn in your research essay on time, the final grade will deducted 10 percent every day overdue.

# Calendar

#### History 2C (70001)

Week 1: The Transformation of Europe

- A) The Maritime Revolution
- B) The Renaissance & Reformation
- C) The Scientific Revolution

Reading:

Week 2: When Worlds Collide: The American Colonies

- A) The Spanish Conquest of the Americas
- B) The Columbian Exchange
- C) Early European Colonization in North America

# D) Map Assignment Due

Reading:

Week 3: Africa and the Atlantic System

- A) Sub-Saharan Africa & Coastal States
- B) The Caribbean Slave System
- C) The Atlantic Economy

Reading:

Week 4: The Near East Gunpowder Empires and the Indian Ocean

- A) Expansion and the Ottoman Empire
- B) Culture and the Safavid Empire
- C) Coexistence and the Mughal Empire
- D) Movie Review Due

Reading:

Week 5: Northern Eurasia

- A) China: The Qing Dynasty and Growth B) Japan: Unification and the Shogunate
- C) Russia: Expansion and Westernization

Reading:

Week 6: Revolutionary Changes in the Atlantic World

- A) The Enlightenment & the American Revolution
- B) The French, Haitian, and Latin American Revolutions
- C) Chaos and the Conservative Order

Reading:

Week 7: New Nation Building and the Old Imperialism

- A) The Industrial Revolution & Nationalism
- B) The Republican & Imperial, Civilized and Primitive Worlds
- C) The New British Empire

Reading:

Week 8: Mid-Term Exam - Bring a Scantron (886-E), and a No.2 Pencil

- A) Tuesday Review
- B) Thursday Mid-Term Exam
- C) Historical Identification Assignment Due

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#### Week 9: The West and the Rest

- A) Technology, Science and Invention (2<sup>nd</sup> Industrial Revolution)
- B) Capitalism, Class and Socialism
- C) Migration and Urbanization

Reading:

#### Week 10: European Dominance & a Western World

- A) New Imperialism & Nation Empires
- B) The Scramble for Africa and Asia
- C) The Changing World Economy

Reading:

# Week 11: World War I and the Imperial Order Shaken

- A) Causes and Outbreak of World War I
- B) The European 'Civil War'
- C) Communism and the Wilsonian Moment

Reading:

# Week 12: World War II: A War for Empire and Independence

- A) Causes and Outbreak of World War II
- B) The Axis, Allies and Independence Movements
- C) Primary Source Analysis Assignment Due

Reading:

# Week 13: The Cold War and Decolonization

- A) The three U's: UN, US and USSR
- B) Superpower Rivalry: West vs East
- C) The Third World
- D) Thursday: No class Thanksgiving Holiday

Reading:

#### Week 14: Globalization and the Nation-State System

- A) The Prosperity of Capitalism
- B) Changing Global Gender and Social Norms
- C) The End of the Cold War and the American Moment
- D) Outline and Works Cited Due

#### Week 15: The 21<sup>st</sup> Century

- A) A Growing Global Population Migration
- B) The Information Revolution
- C) Continued Competition and Conflict
- D) A Global Culture

#### Week 16: Wednesday: Final Exam @ 2:20PM

Bring a Scantron (886-E), and a No.2 Pencil! Research Essay Due @ 3:45PM