

# Course Outline

## 1. Pre-Columbian Societies

Early inhabitants of the Americas

American Indian empires in Mesoamerica, the Southwest, and the

Mississippi

Valley

American Indian cultures of North America at the time of European contact

[http://www.learner.org/vod/vod\\_window.html?pid=1378](http://www.learner.org/vod/vod_window.html?pid=1378)

27 minutes New World Encounters

## 2. Transatlantic Encounters and Colonial Beginnings, 1492-1690

First European contacts with Native Americans

Spain's empire in North America

French colonization of Canada

English settlement of New England, the Mid-Atlantic region, and the south

From servitude to slavery in the Chesapeake region

Religious diversity in the American colonies

Resistance to colonial authority: Bacon's Rebellion, the Glorious Revolution, and the Pueblo Revolt

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/newWorld.html>

29 minutes The New World

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/spanish.html>

22 minutes Spanish Empire in the New World

## 3. Colonial North America, 1690-1754

Population growth and immigration

Transatlantic trade and the growth of seaports

The eighteenth-century back country

Growth of plantation economies and slave societies

The Enlightenment and the Great Awakening

Colonial governments and imperial policy in British North America

[http://www.learner.org/vod/vod\\_window.html?pid=2252](http://www.learner.org/vod/vod_window.html?pid=2252)

28 minutes Colonial Designs

[http://www.learner.org/vod/vod\\_window.html?pid=1379](http://www.learner.org/vod/vod_window.html?pid=1379)

26 minutes English Settlement

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/colonialVA.html>

10 minutes

Jamestown, Colonial Williamsburg, & Yorktown, VA

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/earlySettlers.html>

6 minutes

Early Settlers of New England - Salem 1626-1629

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/colonialEconomy.html>

3 minutes

The Colonial Economy

#### **4. The American Revolutionary Era, 1754-1789**

The French and Indian War

The Imperial Crisis and resistance to Britain

The War for Independence

State constitutions and the Articles of Confederation

The federal Constitution

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/activities/btp.html>

The Boston Tea Party

Activity

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/revSoldier.html>

1 minute Revolutionary Soldier

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/revWar.html>

3 minutes Revolutionary War

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/LexingtonConcord.html>

5 minutes Lexington and Concord

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/ContinentalCongress.html>

2 minutes Continental Congress

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/americans1776.html>

30 minutes Revolutionary War: Americans 1776

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/force.html>

12 minutes Force of Citizens

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/GeneralWashington.html>

25 minutes George Washington at Valley Forge

<http://www.learner.org/courses/amerhistory/units/4/>

25 minutes Revolutionary Perspectives

[http://www.learner.org/vod/vod\\_window.html?pid=1381](http://www.learner.org/vod/vod_window.html?pid=1381)

26 minutes The Coming of Independence

#### **5. The Early Republic, 1789-1815**

Washington, Hamilton, and shaping of the national government

Emergence of political parties: Federalists and Republicans

Republican Motherhood and education for women

Beginnings of the Second Great Awakening

Significance of Jefferson's presidency

Expansion into the trans-Appalachian West; American Indian resistance

Growth of slavery and free Black communities

The War of 1812 and its consequences

<http://www.learner.org/biographyofamerica/prog04/index.html>

23 minutes The Coming of Independence

<http://www.learner.org/biographyofamerica/prog05/index.html>

26 minutes A New System of Government

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/lp.html>

2 minutes The Louisiana Purchase

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/1812color.html>

4 minutes The War of 1812

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/war1812.html>

20 minutes Causes of the War of 1812

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/lewisClark.html>

17 minutes Lewis and Clark

## 6. Transformation of the Economy and Society in Antebellum America

The transportation revolution and creation of a national Markey economy  
Beginnings of industrialization and changes in social and class structure

Immigration and nativist reaction

Planters, yeoman farmers, and slaves in the cotton South

<http://www.learner.org/biographyofamerica/prog07/index.html>

23 minutes The Rise of Capitalism

<http://www.learner.org/courses/amerhistory/units/8/>

26 minutes Antebellum Reform

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/Plantation.html>

11 minutes Plantation Society

## 7. The Transformation of Politics in Antebellum America

Emergence of the second party system

Federal authority and its opponents: judicial federalism, the Bank War, tariff controversy, and states' rights debates

Jacksonian democracy and its successes and limitations

<http://www.learner.org/biographyofamerica/prog08/index.html>

29 minutes The Reform Impulse

[http://www.mchistory.com/McHistory/Review\\_Project.html](http://www.mchistory.com/McHistory/Review_Project.html)

11 minutes Antebellum Politics

## 8. Religion, Reform, and Renaissance in Antebellum America

Evangelical Protestant revivalism

Social reforms

Ideals of domesticity

Transcendentalism and utopian communities

American Renaissance: literary and artistic expressions

[http://www.mchistory.com/McHistory/Review\\_Project.html](http://www.mchistory.com/McHistory/Review_Project.html)

9 minutes Reform and Renaissance in Antebellum America

## 9. Territorial Expansion and Manifest Density

Forced removal of American Indians to the trans-Mississippi West

Western migration and cultural interactions

Territorial acquisitions

Early U.S. imperialism: the Mexican War

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/plains.html>

11 minutes Pioneers of the Plains

[http://www.mchistory.com/McHistory/Review\\_Project.html](http://www.mchistory.com/McHistory/Review_Project.html)

16 minutes Territorial Expansion

<http://www.bing.com/videos/watch/video/manifest-destiny/8820e412a673ea476afd8820e412a673ea476afd->



<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/claraBarton.html>

14 minutes The Clara Barton Story

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/monitorMerrimac.html>

2 minutes Monitor and Merrimac

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/cwNavy.html>

2 minutes Naval Activity During the Civil War

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/gettysburgAddress.html>

4 minutes The Gettysburg Address

## 12. Reconstruction

Presidential and Radical Reconstruction

Southern state government: aspirations, achievements, failures

Role of African Americans in politics, education, and the economy

Compromise of 1877

Impact of Reconstruction

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/confederateSoldier.html>

1 minute Confederate Soldier Dies at 99

<http://www.learner.org/resources/series123.html#>

27 minutes Reconstruction

<http://www.learner.org/resources/series208.html?pop=yes&pid=2258>

25 minutes Reconstructing a Nation

[http://mchistory.com/McHistory/Review\\_Project.html](http://mchistory.com/McHistory/Review_Project.html)

19 minutes Reconstruction in America

## 13. The Origins of the New South

Reconfiguration of southern agriculture: sharecropping and crop lien system

Expansion of manufacturing and industrialization

The politics of segregation: Jim Crow and disfranchisement

[http://mchistory.com/McHistory/Review\\_Project.html](http://mchistory.com/McHistory/Review_Project.html)

7 minutes Origins of the New South

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qcejq46a-t0>

2 minutes Sharecropping

<http://www.blip.tv/file/3794342#>

4 minutes Jim Crow Laws

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s54MsnV2Dp0>

6 minutes Plessy vs. Ferguson

## 14. Development of the West in the Late Nineteenth Century

Expansion and development of western railroads

Competitors for the West: miners, ranchers, homesteaders, and American Indians

Government policy toward American Indians

Gender, race, and ethnicity in the far West

Environmental impacts of western settlement

<http://www.learner.org/resources/series208.html?pop=yes&pid=2258#>

**29 minutes Taming the American West**

<http://www.learner.org/resources/series123.html#>

**25 minutes The West**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/bison.html>

**15 minutes National Bison Range**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/oklahomaOasis.html>

**Oklahoma Oasis**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/Tahtonka.html>

**3 minutes Tahtonka**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/woundedKnee.html>

**3 minutes Wounded Knee Massacre**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/goldenSpike.html>

**2 minutes Driving of the Golden Spike**

## **15. Industrial America in the Late Nineteenth Century**

**Corporate consolidation of industry**

**Effects of technological development on the worker and workplace**

**Labor and unions**

**National politics and influence of corporate power**

**Migration and immigration: the changing face of the nation**

**Proponents and opponents of the new order, e.g., Social Darwinism and**

**Social Gospel**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/ellis.html>

**29 minutes Ellis Island**

<http://www.learner.org/resources/series123.html#>

**27 minutes Industrial Supremacy**

<http://www.learner.org/resources/series208.html?pop=yes&pid=2258#>

**28 minutes Indutrializing America**

## **16. Urban Society in the Late Nineteenth Century**

**Urbanization and the lure of the city**

**City problems and machine politics**

**Intellectual and cultural movements and popular entertainment**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/livingPast.html>

**4 minutes Driving the Past**

<http://www.learner.org/resources/series123.html#>

**29 minutes The New City**

## **17. Populism and Progressivism**

**Agrarian discontent and political issues of the late nineteenth century**

**Origins of progressive reform: municipal, state, and national**

**Roosevelt, Taft, and Wilson as Progressive presidents**

**Women's roles: family, workplace, education, politics, and reform**

**Black America: urban migration and civil rights initiatives**

<http://www.learner.org/resources/series123.html#>

**26 minutes A Vital Progressivism**

<http://www.learner.org/resources/series123.html#>

**28 minutes TR and Wilson**

<http://www.learner.org/resources/series208.html?pop=yes&pid=2258#>

**26 minutes The Progressives**

## **18. The Emergence of America as a World Power**

American imperialism: political and economic expansion

War in Europe and American neutrality

The First World War at home and abroad

Treaty of Versailles

Society and economy in the postwar years

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/lusitania.html>

**5 minutes Sinking of the Lusitania**

[http://mchistory.com/McHistory/Review\\_Project.html](http://mchistory.com/McHistory/Review_Project.html)

**27 minutes Emergence of America**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/wwI.html>

**25 minutes WW1**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/goOver1.html>

**13 minutes America Goes Over**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/wwIAviation.html>

**26 minutes WW1 Naval Aviation**

<http://www.learner.org/resources/series208.html>

**24 minutes a growing Global Power**

## **19. The New Era: 1920s**

The business of America and the consumer economy

Republican politics: Harding, Coolidge, Hoover

The culture of Modernism: science, the arts, and entertainment

Responses to Modernism: religious fundamentalism, nativism, and

Prohibition

The ongoing struggle for equality: African Americans and women

<http://www.learner.org/resources/series123.html>

**25 minutes The Twenties**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/flashCleaner.html>

**1 minute 1920's advertising**

[http://mchistory.com/McHistory/Review\\_Project.html](http://mchistory.com/McHistory/Review_Project.html)

**19 minutes The New Era**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/twenties.html>

**26 minutes The Roaring Twenties**

## **20. The Great Depression and the New Deal**

Causes of the Great Depression

The Hoover administration's response

Franklin Delano Roosevelt and the New Deal

Labor union recognition

The New Deal coalition and its critics from the Right and the Left

**Surviving hard times: American society during the Great Depression**

[http://mchistory.com/McHistory/Review\\_Project.html](http://mchistory.com/McHistory/Review_Project.html)

**21 minutes The New Deal**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/financing.html>

**10 minutes financing the American Family**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/chats.html>

**24 minutes FDR Fireside Chats**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/frontiersFuture.html>

**10 minutes Frontiers of the Future**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/plow.html>

**26 minutes The Plow That Broke the Plains**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/dakota.html>

**19 minutes Depression Scenes**

<http://www.learner.org/resources/series123.html>

**27 minutes FDR and the Great Depression**

<http://www.learner.org/resources/series208.html>

**28 minutes By The People, For The People**

## **21. The Second World War**

The rise of fascism and militarism in Japan, Italy, and Germany

Prelude to war: policy of neutrality

The attack on Pearl Harbor and United States declaration of war

Fighting a multi-front war

Diplomacy, war aims, and wartime conferences

The United States as a global power in the Atomic Age

<http://www.learner.org/resources/series123.html>

**28 minutes WW2**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/ww2.html>

**7 minutes A Short History of WW2**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/ww2intro.html>

**6 minutes An Introduction to WW2**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/pearl1.html>

**10 minutes Bombing of Pearl Harbor**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/midway.html>

**18 minutes The Battle of Midway**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/iwojima.html>

**19 minutes The Shores of Iwo Jima**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/japan.html>

**10 minutes Japan Surrenders**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/dDay.html>

**17 minutes D-Day minus 1**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/germany.html>

**7 minutes Air Army Invades Germany**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/naziDefeat.html>

**2 minutes Nazis Defeat**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/tuskegeeAirmen.html>

**13 minutes Tuskegee Airmen**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/japanese.html>

**10 minutes Japanese Internment**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/negroSoldier.html>

**41 minutes The Negro Soldier in WW2**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/macarthur.html>

**28 minutes General Douglas MacArthur**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/patton.html>

**26 minutes General George S. Patton**

**22. The home Front During the War**

Wartime mobilization of the economy

Urban migration and demographic changes

Women, work, and family during the war

Civil liberties and civil rights during wartime

War and regional development

Expansion of government power

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/fashion1940.html>

**10 minutes 1940's Fashion**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/truman4.html>

**23 minutes Harry Truman**

<http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/trainStrike.html>

**1 minutes Train Strike of 1946**

[http://mchistory.com/McHistory/Review\\_Project.html](http://mchistory.com/McHistory/Review_Project.html)

**18 minutes The Home Front**

**23. The United States and the Early Cold War**

Origins of the Cold War

Truman and containment

The Cold War in Asia: China, Korea, Vietnam, Japan

Diplomatic strategies and policies of the Eisenhower and Kennedy administrations

The Red Scare and McCarthyism

Impact of the Cold War on American society

<http://www.learner.org/resources/series208.html>

**23 minutes Post-War Tension and Triumph**

[http://mchistory.com/McHistory/Review\\_Project.html](http://mchistory.com/McHistory/Review_Project.html)

**27 minutes The United States and the Early Cold War**

<http://www.history.com/topics/cold-war/videos#cold-war>

**15 minutes The Cold War**

<http://www.history.com/topics/red-scare>

**9 minutes McCarthyism and The Red scare**

**24. The 1950s**

Emergence of the modern civil rights movement

The affluent society and “the other America”

**Consensus and conformity: suburbia and middle-class America**

**Social critics, nonconformists, and cultural rebels**

**Impact of changes in science, technology, and medicine**

[\*\*http://mchistory.com/McHistory/Review\\_Project.html\*\*](http://mchistory.com/McHistory/Review_Project.html)

**26 minutes The 1950's**

[\*\*http://www.learner.org/resources/series123.html\*\*](http://www.learner.org/resources/series123.html)

**27 minutes the fifties**

[\*\*http://www.learner.org/resources/series208.html\*\*](http://www.learner.org/resources/series208.html)

**19 minutes Egalitarian America**

[\*\*http://www.thepeoplehistory.com/1950s.html\*\*](http://www.thepeoplehistory.com/1950s.html)

## **25. The Turbulent 1960s**

**From the New Frontier to the Great Society**

**Expanding movements for civil rights**

**Cold War confrontations: Asia, Latin America, and Europe**

**Beginning of Détente**

**The antiwar movement and the counterculture**

[\*\*http://www.learner.org/resources/series123.html\*\*](http://www.learner.org/resources/series123.html)

**27 minutes the 1960's**

[\*\*http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/apollo.html\*\*](http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/apollo.html)

**29 minutes the Time of Apollo**

[\*\*http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/cubanMC2.html\*\*](http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/cubanMC2.html)

**The Cuban Missile Crisis**

[\*\*http://mchistory.com/McHistory/Review\\_Project.html\*\*](http://mchistory.com/McHistory/Review_Project.html)

**16 minutes The Turbulent Sixties**

[\*\*http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/johnson.html\*\*](http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/johnson.html)

**Lyndon Johnson State of the Union Address**

## **26. Politics and Economics at the End of the Twentieth Century**

**The election of 1968 and the "Silent Majority"**

**Nixon's challenges: Vietnam, China, Watergate**

**Changes in the American economy: the energy crisis,  
deindustrialization, and**

**the service economy**

**The New Right and the Reagan revolution**

**End of the Cold War**

[\*\*http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/watergate.html\*\*](http://www.havefunwithhistory.com/movies/watergate.html)

**35 minutes Nixon Watergate Adress**

[\*\*http://mchistory.com/McHistory/Review\\_Project.html\*\*](http://mchistory.com/McHistory/Review_Project.html)

**26 minutes The Turbulent 1960's**

## **27. Society and Culture at the End of the Twentieth Century**

**Demographic changes: surge of immigration after 1965, Sunbelt**

**migration, and**

**the graying of America**

**Revolutions in biotechnology, mass communication, and computer**

**Politics in a multicultural society**

**<http://kclibrary.lonestar.edu/decade80.html>**

**<http://kclibrary.lonestar.edu/decade90.html>**

**28. The United States in the Post-Cold War World**

**Globalization and the American economy**

**Unilateralism vs. multilateralism in foreign policy**

**Domestic and foreign terrorism**

**Environmental issues in a global context**

**<http://www.learner.org/resources/series123.html>**

**26 minutes Contemporary History**

**[http://mchistory.com/McHistory/Review\\_Project.html](http://mchistory.com/McHistory/Review_Project.html)**

**28 minutes Politics & Economics at the End of the 20<sup>th</sup> century**

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