

# **History 102**

European History since 1648

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Seney 316

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## **I. COURSE OBJECTIVES:**

Course objectives are as follows:

A. To gain an understanding and appreciation of the major events, issues and trends which constitute European history from the 1648 to present.

B. To develop critical writing and thinking skills.

## **II. Texts:**

The instructor will provide course materials to correspond to lectures/discussion. The class will also involve library usage.

## **III. Grading:**

Three grading units, each equal in value, will be averaged into a 100 point scale to tally the final grade. The three units will be broken as follows:

A. Exams. There will be two examinations, each covering material from both reading and lectures. Each examination will be worth 100 points. Also, 30% of each test will consist of the cumulative score of quizzes and other assignments given during the class.

B. Paper. Each student must complete a six to eight page paper, responding to an interpretative essay question provided in the course materials. The paper will also be worth 100 points.

## **IV. Various Course Policies:**

A. Your lectures notes are your own work. Sharing of lectures notes without the instructor's authorization is impermissible.

B. Attendance is expected, recorded, and an important part of the information considered at grading time.

C. The Honor Code is to be followed, of course, for all work completed in this course.

D. The Instructor reserves the right to amend this syllabus during the semester, as the course evolves, e.g. course scheduling, exam grading, etc.

## **V. Course Lecture Schedule:**

Unit 1: Absolutism (Course Handout #1)

France; Tudor-Stuarts England

Unit 2: The Revolutionary Era (Course Handout #2)

The Scientific Revolution and Enlightenment; The American Revolution; The French Revolution; Napoleon and the Restoration(hopefully)

### **Mid-term Examination: Monday, March 1, 2004**

Unit 3: "Isms" (Course Handout #3)

Liberalism; Industrialism; Romanticism; Nationalism; Conservatism

Unit 4: Nation-State Formation (Course Handout #4)

Italian Unification; German Unification; Eastern European Issues; Unification Issues in the USA

Unit 5: World War I (Course Handout #5)

Background to the War; The War; The Revolutions of 1917-18; The Settlements; The Aftermath

Unit #6: World War II (Course Handout #6)

The Depression

The Rise of Fascism

World War II

The Holocaust

### **April 19: Research Essays Due**

Unit #7: The Post-War World (Course Handout #7)

Geo-politics

Social Change