

HISTORY OF WESTERN CIVILIZATION II

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TEXTS

Kishlansky, Geary and O'Brien, Civilization in the West. Vol. II, 4th edition.
-----, Sources of the West. Vol. II, 4th edition.
Voltaire, Candide.
Marx and Engels, The Communist Manifesto.
Remarque, Erich Maria, All Quiet on the Western Front.
Orwell, George, The Road to Wigan Pier.
Spiegelman, Art, Maus. Vol. I.

COURSE EXPECTATIONS

This course will chart the modern development of the civilizations of the West from the era of the nation-states of seventeenth-century Europe to the present day. An emphasis on the three themes of political culture and ideology, technological change and shifting gender roles will focus the broad range of this introductory survey and allow for useful comparison among various states and societies.

The course material is organized in three sections. An examination, composed of in-class written responses and a take-home essay, will conclude each section. Sections will also include two short outside readings as well as primary source materials provided by the Kishlansky reader. The close reading of primary sources is one of the main objectives of this course and their identification and explication constitute a significant portion of each section's examination. The final examination will not be cumulative.

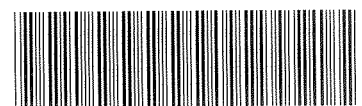
Mastery of skills and materials will be evaluated as follows:

Learnlink assignments/quizzes/class participation: 20%
Examination I: 20%
Examination II: 30%
Final Examination: 30%

In the unlikely event of a student's absence from an examination or a quiz, Emory University Policy will be followed: a make-up will be offered upon provision by the student of a note from the Dean of the College excusing the absence.

As with all courses at Emory University, students are responsible for acting within the guidelines set by the Emory University Honor Code, particularly as it pertains to issues of plagiarism and cheating.

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COURSE SCHEDULE

Week 1: Introduction

January 18: Kishlansky, Chapter 16: The Royal State

Week 2: State and Society in the 17th century: Political Actors

January 23: Reader: Subjects and Sovereigns

January 25: Kishlansky, Chapter 17: Science and Commerce

Week 3: European Technology, Trade and Colonization

January 30: Reader: Science and Commerce

February 1: Kishlansky, Chapter 18: 18th c. Balance of Power

Paul Kennedy, The Rise and Fall of the Great Powers, pp. 73-100. (Handout)

Week 4: International Relations in the 18th century

February 6: Reader: Enlightened Monarchy

February 8: Kishlansky, Chapter 19: 18th c. Culture and Society

Voltaire's Candide

Week 5: Enlightenment for Whom?

February 13: Reader: The Enlightenment

February 15: Kishlansky, Chapter 20: The French Revolution

Week 6: State and Society in the 18th century: Revolution(s)

February 20: Reader: The French Revolution

February 22: Kishlansky, Chapter 21: Industrial Europe

PREP for Exam I (Chapters 16 – 20 and all readings)

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- in-class portion on THURSDAY, MARCH 1
 - essay portion due on TUESDAY, MARCH 6
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Week 7: Models of Industrialization: Britain and the Continent

February 27: Reader: Industrialization in Britain

March 1: Kishlansky, Chapter 22: Political Upheaval to 1850

Week 8: Political Participation: Protest and Revolution

March 6: Reader: Political Critiques

March 8: Kishlansky, Chapter 23: State-Building and Social Change

Week 9: Spring Break

Week 10: State and Society in 19th century: Political and Social Ideologies

March 20: Reader: 19th c. Society and Culture

March 22: Kishlansky, Chapter 24: Crisis of European Culture

Marx and Engels, The Communist Manifesto

Week 11: The Challenge of “Mass Society”: Economic & Intellectual Consumption

March 27: Reader: Emancipating the Mind and Body

March 29: Kishlansky, Chapter 25: Europe and the World, 1870-1914

Week 12: Empire in Europe and Abroad

April 3: Reader: Thoughts on Empire

April 5: Kishlansky, Chapter 26: War and Revolution, 1914-1920

Remarque, All Quiet on the Western Front

PREP for Exam II (Chapters 21 – 25 and all readings)

■ in-class portion on THURSDAY, APRIL 12

■ essay portion due TUESDAY, APRIL 17

Week 13: “The Great War” and the Russian Revolution

April 10: Reader: War and Revolution

April 12: Kishlansky, Chapter 27: Search for Stability, 1920-1939

Orwell, Road to Wigan Pier

Week 14: State and Society in the 20th century: Peace and its Discontents

April 17: Catch up

April 19: Kishlansky, Chapter 28: Global Conflagration

Spiegelman, Maus

Week 15: The Second World War and Atomic Power

April 24: Reader: The Transformation of Eastern Europe

April 26: Kishlansky, Chapter 29: Postwar Recovery and the New Europe

Week 16: Post-War Europe to 1989

May 1: Kishlansky, Chapter 30: The New Century

PREP for Final Exam (Chapters 26-30 and all readings)

--- in-class portion during scheduled final exam, THURSDAY MAY 3, 7pm.

--- essay portion due TUESDAY MAY 8 by 5 p.m., in my office.