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United States History Survey

This course proposes to cover United States history from pre-colonial times through to our own. This is a big assignment and of course we cannot adequately discuss every aspect of our nation's history in fifteen weeks. Some events will receive more attention than others. My lectures are meant to enhance your learning by elaborating on specific events and the people who influenced those events; however, you will be responsible for all of the reading in the textbook. You are encouraged to ask questions. I am available to help you this semester. Please take advantage of office hours. Students learn much better when they attend class and, therefore, I have devised a system to entice you to be present at as many lectures as possible. We look forward to a good semester.

Assignments

Quizzes and Examinations: Three in-class examinations will be given (see schedule below). The final examination will be given during Final Week. There will also be four quizzes. There are no make-ups for quizzes. Make-ups for examinations require a physician's note.

Extra Credit: There will be opportunities for extra credit and we will discuss them during the second week of class.

Grading: Grades will be based on scores on the examinations, quizzes, and extra credit.

Textbook and CD-ROM

Required text available in the BMU Bookstore
Norton, et al, *A People and a Nation: Brief Eight Edition*

Reading Assignments

Week of: August 25	Introduction to the course Chapters 1-2
September 1	Chapters 3-4 1 st Quiz
September 8 September 10	Mandatory Unpaid Furlough Day Chapters 5-7
September 15	Chapters 8-10
September 22	1st Examination Chapters 11-12
September 29	Chapters 13-14
October 6	Chapters 15-16 2 nd Quiz
October 13 October 15	Chapters-17-18 Mandatory Unpaid Furlough Day
October 20	Chapters 19-21 3 rd Quiz
October 27	2nd Examination Chapters 22-23
November 3 November 5	Mandatory Unpaid Furlough Day Chapters 24-25
November 10	Chapters 26-27 4 th Quiz
November 17	Chapters 28-29
November 24	Thanksgiving Week
December 1	Chapters 30-31
December 8	Chapters 32-33
December 15	3rd Examination Tuesday, 12-1:50 P. M.

REMEMBER: The syllabus is only an approximation of course topics and reading due dates. Depending on class interests and other circumstances, there could be alterations to the syllabus.

The faculty of all campuses of California State University has been required to take nine mandatory unpaid furlough days per semester this year, three have been assigned by President Zing and six others set by professors in consultation with our chairs and deans. This means that I will be unavailable to lecture on these furlough day, Tuesday Sept. 8, Thursday Oct. 15, and Tuesday Nov.3. However, I will put the lecture outlines on Vista and you can download them to use as you read the assigned chapters.

This is not an ideal learning environment and none of the faculty is happy with the order that takes us away from our classes nine days this semester. If you are as frustrated as the faculty by this outrageous manipulation by the California legislature, the Governor, and the administration of the university, please write grievance letters to all concerned parties.