

General Information

Course Bulletin Listing/Subject Area	History
Fiscal Unit/Academic Org	History - D0557
College/Academic Group	Humanities
Level/Career	Undergraduate
Course Number/Catalog	1150
Course Title	Introductory Survey of American Civilization
Transcript Abbreviation	Amer Hist Survey
Course Description	History 1150 is a one-semester, basic introduction to American civilization from the Age of Exploration and Colonization to the present. It is designed for students with limited background in historical study and/or American history.
Semester Credit Hours/Units	Fixed: 3

Offering Information

Length Of Course	14 Week, 7 Week, 4 Week (May Session), 12 Week (May + Summer)
Flexibly Scheduled Course	Never
Does any section of this course have a distance education component?	Yes
Is any section of the course offered	Greater or equal to 50% at a distance
Grading Basis	Letter Grade
Repeatable	No
Course Components	Lecture, Recitation
Grade Roster Component	Recitation
Credit Available by Exam	No
Admission Condition Course	No
Off Campus	Never
Campus of Offering	Columbus, Lima, Mansfield, Marion, Newark, Wooster

Prerequisites and Exclusions

Prerequisites/Corequisites	English 1110.xx Pre- or co-requisite
Exclusions	Not open to students who have credit for History 151 or 152, and/or History 1151, 1152, 2001, 2002

Cross-Listings

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Subject/CIP Code

Subject/CIP Code	54.0101
Subsidy Level	Baccalaureate Course
Intended Rank	Freshman

Quarters to Semesters

Quarters to Semesters	New course
Give a rationale statement explaining the purpose of the new course	see syllabus

Sought concurrence from the following Fiscal
Units or College

Requirement/Elective Designation

General Education course:

Historical Study; Social Diversity in the United States

The course is an elective (for this or other units) or is a service course for other units

Course Details

Course goals or learning
objectives/outcomes

Content Topic List

- See syllabus

Attachments

- History Assessment Plan.doc: GE Assessment Plan History

(GEC Course Assessment Plan. Owner: Breyfogle, Nicholas)

- syllabus - 1150.docx: Draft Syllabus History 1150

(Syllabus. Owner: Breyfogle, Nicholas)

Comments

Workflow Information

Status	User(s)	Date/Time	Step
Submitted	Breyfogle, Nicholas	11/01/2011 09:56 AM	Submitted for Approval
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History 1150 – Introductory Survey of American Civilization

3 credit hours

Instructor: Dr. King

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Office Hours: TR 1:30-2:30 & by Appt.

E-mail:

Description:

History 1150 is an introduction to American civilization from the Age of Exploration and Colonization to the present. The goal of this course is not only to help you gain a basic factual knowledge of events in American history, but also to develop your ability to think critically about these historical issues. You will discover that there is often more than one interpretation of the events we will study, and learn to analyze evidence, evaluate interpretations of others through primary and secondary sources, and develop your own informed views.

General Education Requirements:

This course fulfills the following GE requirements: 1) "Historical Study," 2) "Culture & Ideas or Historical Study," 3) Open Option, and 4) "Social Diversity in the United States".

Historical Study GE Requirements:

Goals:

Students develop knowledge of how past events influence today's society and help them understand how humans view themselves.

Expected Learning Outcomes:

1. Students acquire a perspective on history and an understanding of the factors that shape human activity.
2. Students display knowledge about the origins and nature of contemporary issues and develop a foundation for future comparative understanding.
3. Students think, speak, and write critically about primary and secondary historical sources by examining diverse interpretations of past events and ideas in their historical contexts.

Rationale for fulfilling the GE Learning Outcomes for Historical Study:

Goals of the course that fulfill the GE Learning Outcomes in Historical Study:

History courses develop students' knowledge of how past events influence today's society and help them understand how humans view themselves through the following ways:

1. Critically examine theories of history, and historical methodologies
2. Engage with contemporary and historical debates on specific regions, time periods and themes of the human past

3. Through reading in primary and secondary sources and in-depth class discussion, students will access and critically examine social, political, economic, military, gender, religious, ecological, and ethnic/racial/national movements in a wider socio-cultural context
4. Students will carry out in-depth analysis in a final paper comparing distinct historical Moments, social movements and their effects

Social Diversity in the United States

Goals:

Students' understanding of the pluralistic nature of institutions, society, and culture in the United States is enhanced.

Expected Learning Outcomes:

1. Students describe the roles of such categories as race, gender, class, ethnicity and religion in the pluralistic institutions and cultures of the United States.
2. Students recognize the role of social diversity in shaping their own attitudes and values regarding appreciation, tolerance, and equality of others.

Rationale for fulfilling the GE Learning Outcomes for Social Diversity in the United States:

Goals of the course that fulfill the GE Learning Outcomes: Students will achieve the social diversity goals and learning outcomes by:

1. Completing readings, attending lectures, and participating in class discussions and in-class assignments that will help students understand how the categories of race, gender, class, ethnicity, religion, and nation have shaped peoples' identities and the distribution of power and resources in the U.S. and elsewhere
2. Describe theories of racial, ethnic, class, national, gender, and religious formation on exams and written assignments.
3. Critically examine theories of race, gender, class, ethnicity, religion, and nation
4. Engage with contemporary and historical debates on race, gender, class, ethnicity, religion, and nation
5. Access and critically examine movements framed by race, gender, class, ethnicity, religion, and/or nation in a wider socio-cultural context
6. Carry out in-depth analysis in a final paper comparing distinct moments of ethnic, racial, nationalist, gender, class, and/or religious mobilization or social movements and their effects

Readings: The following books are required. All books are available from SBX bookstore, and a copy of each is on Reserve in Thompson Library.

- Jack Greene, *Center and Peripheries: Constitutional Development in the Extended Polities of the British Empire and the United States, 1607-1788* (1986)
- Roger Ransom, *Conflict or Compromise: The Political Economy of Slavery, Emancipation and the American Civil War* (1989)
- Eric Foner, *Give Me Liberty!: An American History*, Seagull edition, Vol 2
- Gary Gerstle, *American Crucible: Race and Nation in the Twentieth Century* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2001).

Assignments:

Short writing assignments on documents

In-class writing assignment, will be taken in lecture in week 5;

Take-home paper, will be due in lecture at the beginning of week 10;

Final exam, in a cumulative perspective, scheduled date.

Grading:

In-class written assignment: 20%

Take-home paper: 25%

Final: 35%

Participation and document assignments: 20%

Grade distribution:

A: 92.6 and above B-: 79.6-82.5 D+: 67.6-69.5

A-: 89.6-92.5 C+: 77.6-79.5 D: 62-67.5

B+: 87.6-89.5 C: 72.6-77.5 E: below 62

B: 82.6-87.5 C-: 69.6-72.5

Since the University does not record D- grades, a student earning a course average below 62 will receive an E in this course.

Pre-requisites: English 1110.xx Pre- or co-requisite

Schedule:

Week 1 – North America before Europeans

Week 2– Colonial America

Week 3 – American Revolution

Week 4 – Early Republic

Week 5 – Slavery and Sectional Politics

Week 6 – Midterm / Civil War

Week 7 – Reconstruction

Week 8 – Industrialization

Week 9 – Western Expansion

Week 10 – The Age of Reform

Week 11 – World War I / Depression

Week 12 – World War II

Week 13 – Cold War, Vietnam, and the 1960s and 1970s

Week 14 – America since Reagan

Academic misconduct:

It is the responsibility of the Committee on Academic Misconduct to investigate or establish procedures for the investigation of all reported cases of student academic misconduct. The term “academic misconduct” includes all forms of student academic misconduct wherever committed; illustrated by, but not limited to, cases of plagiarism and dishonest practices in connection with examinations. Instructors shall report all instances of alleged academic misconduct to the committee (Faculty Rule 3335-5-487). For additional information, see the Code of Student Conduct (<http://sja.osu.edu/page.asp?id=1>).

Disability services:

“Students with disabilities that have been certified by the Office for Disability Services will be appropriately accommodated, and should inform the instructor as soon as possible of their needs. The Office for Disability Services is located in 150 Pomerene Hall, 1760 Neil Avenue; telephone 292-3307, TDD 292-0901; <http://www.ods.ohio-state.edu>

MEMORANDUM

TO: Arts and Sciences Committee on Curriculum and Instruction

**FROM: Nicholas Breyfogle, Associate Professor and Calendar Conversion
Coordinator, Department of History**

**RE: Assessment Plan for proposed GE courses: Historical Study Category, Social
Diversity in the U.S., and Diversity: International Issues**

Assessment Goals and Objectives

1) Both the GE and course-specific learning objectives for all History courses might be summarized as follows:

Historical Study GE Requirements:

Goals:

Students develop knowledge of how past events influence today's society and help them understand how humans view themselves.

Expected Learning Outcomes:

1. Students acquire a perspective on history and an understanding of the factors that shape human activity.
2. Students display knowledge about the origins and nature of contemporary issues and develop a foundation for future comparative understanding.
3. Students think, speak, and write critically about primary and secondary historical sources by examining diverse interpretations of past events and ideas in their historical contexts.

Rationale for fulfilling the GE Learning Outcomes for Historical Study:

Goals of the course that fulfill the GE Learning Outcomes in Historical Study:

History courses develop students' knowledge of how past events influence today's society and help them understand how humans view themselves through the following ways:

1. Critically examine theories of history, and historical methodologies
2. Engage with contemporary and historical debates on specific regions, time periods and themes of the human past
3. Through reading in primary and secondary sources and in-depth class discussion, students will access and critically examine social, political, economic, military, gender, religious, ecological, and ethnic/racial/national movements in a wider socio-cultural context
4. Students will carry out in-depth analysis in a final paper comparing distinct historical Moments, social movements and their effects

- 2) Both the GE and course-specific learning objectives for History courses requesting Social Diversity in the U.S. might be summarized as follows:

Social Diversity GE Requirements:

Goals:

Courses in **social diversity** will foster students' understanding of the pluralistic nature of institutions, society, and culture in the United States.

Expected Learning Outcomes:

1. Students describe the roles of such categories as race, gender, class, ethnicity and religion in the pluralistic institutions and cultures of the United States.
2. Students recognize the role of social diversity in shaping their own attitudes and values regarding appreciation, tolerance, and equality of others.

Rationale for fulfilling the GE Learning Outcomes for Social Diversity in the United States:

Goals of the course that fulfill the GE Learning Outcomes: Students will achieve the social diversity goals and learning outcomes by:

1. completing readings, attending lectures, and participating in class discussions and in-class assignments that will help students understand how the categories of race, gender, class, ethnicity, religion, and nation have shaped peoples' identities and the distribution of power and resources in the U.S. and elsewhere
2. describe theories of racial, ethnic, class, national, gender, and religious formation on exams and written assignments.
3. Critically examine theories of race, gender, class, ethnicity, religion, and nation
4. Engage with contemporary and historical debates on race, gender, class, ethnicity, religion, and nation
5. Access and critically examine movements framed by race, gender, class, ethnicity, religion, and/or nation in a wider socio-cultural context
6. Carry out in-depth analysis in a final paper comparing distinct moments of ethnic, racial, nationalist, gender, class, and/or religious mobilization or social movements and their effects

- 3) Both the GE and course-specific learning objectives for History courses requesting Diversity in International Issues might be summarized as follows:

International Issues GE Requirements:

Goals:

International Issues coursework help students become educated, productive, and principled citizens of their nation in an increasingly globalized world.

Expected Learning Outcomes:

1. Students exhibit an understanding of some combination of political, economic, cultural, physical, social, and philosophical differences in or among the world's nations, peoples and cultures outside the U.S.
2. Students are able to describe, analyze and critically evaluate the roles of categories such as race, gender, class, ethnicity, national origin and religion as they relate to international/global institutions, issues, cultures and citizenship.
3. Students recognize the role of national and international diversity in shaping their own attitudes and values as global citizens.

Rationale for fulfilling the GE Learning Outcomes for International Issues:

History courses develop students' knowledge of how past events influence today's society and help them understand how humans view themselves through the following ways:

1. Through reading in primary and secondary sources and in-depth class discussion, students critically examine the political, economic, social, cultural and philosophical development in places outside the United States.
2. Engage with contemporary and historical debates on the differences and similarities between cultures and peoples.
3. Access and critically examine ethnically, nationally or religiously framed movements in a wider socio-cultural and global context.
4. Carry out in-depth analysis in a final paper comparing distinct moments in human history and how they shaped the world in the past and today.
5. Completing readings, attending lectures, and participating in class discussions and in-class assignments that will help students understand the complexity of debates over international issues. They will describe theories of international issues on exams and written assignments.
6. Students will understand the roots and structures of today's globalized world.

II. Methods

An assessment of whether these objectives are met is effectively carried out by an examination of the work students are actually required to do for the course. Contributions in class discussions will be considered, but weighted more lightly, given the tendency for more confident students to contribute more to such discussions. Paper and exams will provide an understanding of students' abilities to think historically and to engage in analysis. This can be gauged by their responses to specific exam questions—asking students to provide a perspective on history and relate that perspective to an understanding of the factors that shape human activity. Thus, exams for Historical Study courses will have at least one question that requires students to provide a perspective on the factors that shaped an event or theory. Similarly, for courses that include Diversity in the U.S. GE requirements, we will have at least one question that requires students to provide a description of the roles of categories such as race, gender, class, ethnicity and religion and how those roles have helped shape either their perspective or the country's perspective on diversity. For courses that include Diversity of International Issues, we will ask one question that requires students to provide an understanding of some combination of political, economic, cultural, physical, social, and philosophical

differences in or among the world's nations, peoples and cultures outside the U.S. In this way, we hope to measure the courses (and the students') progress toward the multiple objectives of the GE. In this way we should be able to ascertain whether they are acquiring the desired skills and not simply learning (and regurgitating) specific information.

Summary of Data:

An advanced graduate student, supervised by the UTC Chair, will be asked to evaluate the sampled questions and papers, and to gauge how well the goals of the course seem reflected in them. Assessment of Historical Study, Social Diversity, and Diversity International Issues from the GE goals will be carried out primarily through the evaluation of formal graded assignments and ungraded in-class assignments, including class discussions. Students will complete an informal feedback survey halfway through the semester to assess their own performance, the pace of the class, and the instructor's effectiveness. Students will also be surveyed to assess their mastery of the General Education objectives through a survey instrument at the end of the semester. We will compare these data with the exams and papers mentioned above. We will be interested to assess improvement over time, so that we will compare each of the selected student's answers from the surveys, papers, and exams to those on the finals to see if any has in fact occurred. A brief summary report will be written by the grad student and UTC Chair, and that, as well as the sampled questions themselves, will be made available to the instructor and to the Chair of the department. We intend to insure that the proposed courses adequately articulate these goals, teach toward them, test for them, and help students realize their individual potential to meet them. Assessments will be summarized and used to alter the course for the next teaching.