

**HIST 2112**  
**U.S. History Since 1877, CRN 81046**  
**Semester: Fall, 2019**  
**Location: Social Sciences Building, Room 2035**  
**Time: Tues./Thurs. 12:30-1:45**

**Instructor: Dr. R.G. Mannion**

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**\*Use this e-mail address. Please do not use Brightspace/D2L for e-mail communication\_\_**

**Course Communication:** Please feel free to contact me before or after class with any questions you may have. Please note my office hours and contact information. I am very accessible to all of my students and will be glad to meet with you to discuss any academic concerns you may have. E-mail communication is the best way to get in touch with me. I am glad to schedule an appointment with you if the office hours listed above are not convenient.

**Electronic Communications.** The University provides all KSU students with an “official” email account with the address “students.kennesaw.edu.” As a result of federal laws protecting educational information and other data, this is the sole email account you should use to communicate with your instructor or other University officials.

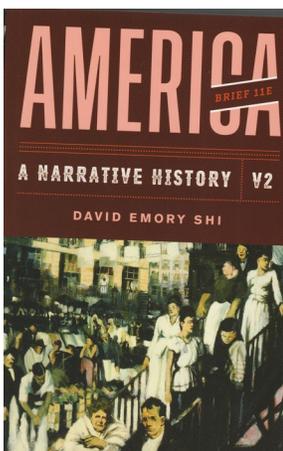
**Course Description: From catalog at:** <http://catalog.kennesaw.edu/content.php?catoid=34&navoid=2699>

**Learning Objectives:**

HIST 2112 satisfies one of Kennesaw State University's General Education program requirements. Specifically, it addresses the US Perspectives learning outcome. The learning outcomes states: Students will demonstrate a broad understanding of history, political systems, or culture of the U.S.. For more information about KSU's General Education program requirements and associated learning outcomes, please visit [http://catalog.kennesaw.edu/preview\\_program.php?catoid=24&poid=2668](http://catalog.kennesaw.edu/preview_program.php?catoid=24&poid=2668)

**Required Reading and Materials:**

Shi, David Emory. *America: A Narrative History*, Volume 2, Brief 11<sup>th</sup> Edition. (Boston: W.W. Norton and Company, 2019). ISBN: 9780393668971 (pbk).



All assigned readings are to be completed before class. Approximately 20% of the quiz questions will come from the book.

You are required to provide your own Scantron for the final exam.

**\*\*Attendance Policy\*\*:**

Please fill in the sign in sheet when you come in to class. Do not sign for anyone else. Signing in for another constitutes academic misconduct.

Students are solely responsible for managing their enrollment status in class; nonattendance does not constitute a withdrawal.

There is a direct correlation between regular class attendance and higher grades. **Do all possible to attend classes.** You will greatly enhance your chances of doing well this semester by coming to class. **Students are subject to the loss of one letter grade with six absences. Excessive documented absences will result in an F for the final grade.**

**Class Protocol and Electronic Devices Policy:**

1. Please turn off all cell phones and electronic devices\* prior to entering class. Earphones are not permitted during class. Use of electronic devices\* is permitted only to take notes (laptop or tablet computer). Please refrain from accessing any email, social media, playing games or any other activities not related to class. All devices should be silenced. Do not leave the classroom in order to answer phone calls, check or send messages. If your instructor suspects that you are engaging in unrelated activities using your personal electronic device, disciplinary action, up to including loss of a letter grade, may be taken at the discretion of the instructor.
2. Unless you have a question or a comment, please do not talk or disrupt the class in any manner during the lecture or presentations. Any disruptions will be treated in the same manner as described above.

**Your final course grade will be determined by your results on a combination of four quizzes, a final exam, and extra credit points:**

1. Four quizzes

- The lowest of your four quiz scores will be dropped.
- Each of your three highest quiz scores will represent 20% of your course grade.
- There are no make-ups for the quizzes other than with a M.D. excuse. I must be advised within 3 days of a missed quiz that you had a medical emergency. Only one make-up is allowed during the semester.

2. Final Exam

- The Final Exam represents 40% of your course grade.

**Course grade calculation examples:**

Three out of the four quiz scores, lowest score dropped. Worth 20% each:

76 – 80 – 92 – 88

Final Exam score:

93

**The simple method to calculate your course grade:**

$80 + 92 + 88 + 93^* + 93^* = 446$ ;  $446 / 5 = 89.2$

\*Since the final exam grade is weighted at 40% and each quiz grade is weighted at 20% each, the final exam grade is included twice in the calculation.

**You will be able to earn extra credit points to add to your test point total.**

You will have the opportunity to earn between 5 – 7 extra-credit points throughout the semester. You must be in class to earn these points. Extra-credit points are added your semester point total.

For example, with 6 extra credit points, the above calculations look like this:

$80 + 92 + 88 + 93^* + 93^* + 6 = 452$ ;  $452 / 5 = 90.4 = A$

**Grading Scale**

Students are evaluated on the following scale:

90 – 100 = A

80 – 89 = B

70 – 79 = C

60 – 69 = D

0 - 59 = F

**I**—Indicates an incomplete grade for the course, and will be awarded only when the student has done satisfactory work up to the last two weeks of the semester, but for nonacademic reasons beyond his/her control is unable to meet the full requirements of the course. Incomplete grades are only valid after submission of the Incomplete Grade form (signed by both the instructor and student) to the Department Chair's office.

**Academic Integrity Statement:**

Every KSU student is responsible for upholding the provisions of the Student Code of Conduct, as published in

the Undergraduate and Graduate Catalogs. Section 5. C of the Student Code of Conduct addresses the university's policy on academic honesty, including provisions regarding plagiarism and cheating, unauthorized access to university materials, misrepresentation/falsification of university records or academic work, malicious removal, retention, or destruction of library materials, malicious/intentional misuse of computer facilities and/or services, and misuse of student identification cards. Incidents of alleged academic misconduct will be handled through the established procedures of the Department of Student Conduct and Academic Integrity (SCAI), which includes either an "informal" resolution by a faculty member, resulting in a grade adjustment, or a formal hearing procedure, which may subject a student to the Code of Conduct's minimum one semester suspension requirement. See:

also <https://web.kennesaw.edu/scai/content/ksu-student-code-conduct> and/or

<http://scai.kennesaw.edu/students/general-info/cheating.php>

**\*\*No student shall receive, attempt to receive, knowingly give or attempt to give unauthorized assistance in the preparation of any work required to be submitted for credit (including examinations, laboratory reports, essays, themes, term papers, etc.). Unless specifically authorized, the presence and/or use of electronic devices, notes, books, audio tapes, or assistance in any form during an examination, quiz, or other class assignment is considered cheating. Engaging in any behavior which a professor prohibits as academic misconduct in the syllabus or in class discussion is cheating. When direct quotations are used, they should be indicated, and when the ideas, theories, data, figures, graphs, programs, electronic based information or illustrations of someone other than the student are incorporated into a paper or used in a project, they should be duly acknowledged.** No student may submit the same, or substantially the same, paper or other assignment for credit in more than one class without the prior permission of the current professor(s).

Students suspected of violating the KSU statement of Academic Honesty will meet with the instructor to discuss the violation **AND** will be reported to the Department of Student Conduct according to the process outlined at the following link: <https://web.kennesaw.edu/scai/content/scai-misconduct-procedures>

**At minimum, any academic misconduct, cheating or plagiarism, including providing and/or receiving assistance in any form will result in a grade of 0 for the assessment involved to be included in the final grade calculation; up to and including a failing grade for the course. The Department of Student Conduct and Academic Integrity will be notified of any academic misconduct.**

Examples of Plagiarism Avoidance websites:

<http://plagiarism.org/>

<http://www.indiana.edu/~wts/pamphlets/plagiarism.shtml>

**Matters of Academic misconduct are taken very seriously at Kennesaw State University. Please come and see me if you need any clarification regarding the Academic Integrity Statement.**

#### **ADA Compliance:**

Students with qualifying disabilities under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and/or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act who require "reasonable accommodation(s)" to complete the course may request those from Department of Student Success Services. Students requiring such accommodations are required to work with the University's Department of Student Success Services rather than engaging in this discussion with individual faculty members or academic departments. If, after reviewing the course syllabus, a student anticipates or should have anticipated a need for accommodation, he or she must submit documentation requesting an accommodation and permitting time for a determination prior to submitting assignments or taking course quizzes or exams. Students may not request retroactive accommodation for needs that were or should have been

foreseeable. Students should contact the office as soon as possible in the term for which they are seeking accommodations. For more information please visit their website, <https://sds.kennesaw.edu/index.php>.

Contact information is as follows:

SDS Email: [sds@kennesaw.edu](mailto:sds@kennesaw.edu)

Primary number for Kennesaw campus: [470-578-2666](tel:470-578-2666)

Primary number for Marietta campus: [\(470\) 578-7361](tel:(470)578-7361)

### **General Observations:**

- 1. Please do not talk while the instructor or a fellow student is speaking. Please do not move around the class once the lecture has started. Please, no food in class.**
2. The Power Point notes are merely talking points for class discussion. I do not e-mail these notes for any reason. Basic class outlines will be posted online. These are posted to help you organize your note taking during class. This course will be taught as an amalgam of different styles including lecture, discussion, visuals, student involvement, and video/DVD presentation.
3. Questions are good generators of discussion. Please do not hesitate to ask questions. Do not miss a point or fail to understand a question because you are not familiar with a word. Always ask a question if you are not familiar with the definition of a particular word.
4. Please consult with KSU policy and procedure if you consider withdrawing.
5. If you feel uncomfortable asking a question during class, please see me during our break or after class. Do not leave a class if you are confused or don't understand something. I am always available to meet with you after class. Feel free to e-mail me anytime you have a question. I normally respond within 24 hours. I can only respond to you when I receive an e-mail from your K.S.U. e-mail address to my K.S.U e-mail address.

### **Important Notes:**

#### **\*\* E-mail correspondence\*\***

1. Make sure and type out my complete e-mail address: [rmannion@kennesaw.edu](mailto:rmannion@kennesaw.edu). If you only type out the first few characters, you will get this e-mail address: [rmannion@students.kennesaw.edu](mailto:rmannion@students.kennesaw.edu). If you send it to this address, I will not receive it.
3. Use only your official Kennesaw State University e-mail address to contact me. Please do not use D2L / Brightspace to send any e-mail to me.

**Changes to the syllabus may occasionally be necessary throughout the semester. Any substantive changes which impact grade calculations or grading will be announced in class, followed up with an e-mail to the class and will be posted on D2L/Brightspace. If you have any concerns about announced changes, please come see me for clarification. Students are responsible for general announcements made in class whether absent or present.**

**Please check the Kennesaw State University website for school closures in cases of inclement weather at: <http://www.kennesaw.edu/advisories/>**

**Course Schedule:**

**Topic**

**Required Reading**

Aug. 20	Course Introduction Introduction to Reconstruction	
Aug. 22	Reconstruction	Chapter 16
Aug. 27	Business and Labor in the Industrial Age	Chapter 17
Aug. 29	The New South and New West	Chapter 18
Sept. 3	Urban America and Gilded Age Politics	Chapter 19, Pt. 1
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Sept. 5	Rural Revolt and the Wizard of OZ <a href="#">QUIZ 1</a>	Chapter 19, Pt. 2
Sept. 10	Creating an American Empire	Chapter 20
Sept. 12	The Progressive Era	Chapter 21
Sept. 17	World War I	Chapter 22
Sept. 19	A Clash of Culture: The Roaring 20s	Chapter 23
Sept. 24	The Reactionary Twenties and Economic Panic <a href="#">QUIZ 2</a>	Chapter 24
Sept. 26	The Great Depression	Chapter 25
Oct. 1	WW II–Isolation to War in Europe	Chapter 26
Oct. 3	WW II–The Home Front and War in the Pacific	Chapter 26
Oct. 8	Cold War and the Fair Deal	Chapter 27
<b>Oct. 9</b>	<b>LAST DAY TO WITHDRAW WITHOUT ACADEMIC PENALTY</b>	
Oct. 10	1950s America: Land of Plenty and Conformity <a href="#">QUIZ 3</a>	Chapter 28
Oct. 15	The Cold War–Domestic and Foreign Turmoil	Chapter 28
Oct. 17	A New Frontier: JFK // Domestic/Foreign	Chapter 29, Pt 1.
Oct. 22	Civil Rights	Chapter 29, Pt. 1
Oct. 24	LBJ: The Great Society	Chapter 29, Pt. 2
Oct. 29	The Last Believer and a Failed Presidency? <a href="#">QUIZ 4</a>	Chapter 29, Pt 2.
Oct. 31	Online Exercise	Chapter 29 / 30

<b>Nov. 5</b>	<b>Guest Speakers – Vietnam Veterans****</b>	
<b>Nov. 7</b>	<b>Rebellion and Reaction</b>	<b>Chapter 29 / 30</b>
<b>Nov. 12</b>	<b>Rebellion and Reaction, Part 2 Turmoil and Turbulence</b>	<b>Chapter 30</b>
<b>Nov. 14</b>	<b>Watergate and the Ford Years</b>	<b>Chapter 30</b>
<b>Nov. 19</b>	<b>Eclectic Disco, 1970s Culture and Jimmy Carter</b>	<b>Chapter 31, Pt. 1</b>
<b>Nov. 21</b>	<b>Conservative Revival: The Reagan Presidency</b>	<b>Chapter 31, Pt. 2</b>
<b>Nov. 25 – Dec. 1</b>	<b>Fall Break – No class</b>	
<b>Dec. 3</b>	<b>Conservative Revival: The Bush Presidency</b>	<b>Chapter 31, Pt. 3</b>
<b>Dec. 5</b>	<b>Final Exam Review</b>	
<b>Dec. 12</b>	<b>Final Exam (In class)</b>	<b>1:00 – 3:00</b>