

HIST 1100

Introduction to World History

Summer 2018

MTWTH 2:00-4:45PM

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“Not to know what happened before we are born is to remain perpetually a child.”

Cicero

Course Description: An overview of world history that provides an introduction to the origin and development of the world's societies and their political, cultural, and economic traditions.

Learning Objectives: HIST 1100 satisfies one of Kennesaw State University's general education program requirements. It addresses the Social Sciences general education learning outcome(s). The learning outcome states: Students analyze the complexity of human behavior and how social, historical, economic, political, or spatial relationships develop, persist, or change. For more information about KSU's General Education program requirements and

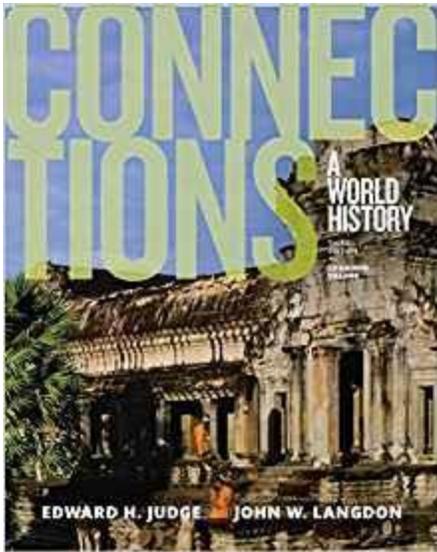
associated learning outcomes, please visit

http://catalog.kennesaw.edu/preview_program.php?catoid=10&poid=704

Textbooks:

Recommended: Edward H. Judge and John W. Langdon, *Connections: A World History*. Combined volume. 3rd. ed. Boston, etc. Pearson: 2016.

ISBN-13: 978-0133842746



Other reading materials and supplemental materials will be provided through D2L.

Attendance, Participation, and Class Decorum: Class attendance is mandatory. Roll will be taken every period [for summer class roll will be taken twice]. Students should make a strong, good-faith effort to attend every class. Students with no or a few legitimate, and documented absences may be granted a slight curve if the student's final grade is at borderline. **If you missed a class, please submit your explanation why you had to miss a class along with appropriate documents in a designated Dropbox folder in D2L.** Students who are caught asleep or doing something not related to class will be counted absent. Please also note that regular attendance does not guarantee a passing grade.

Students who have 6 or more unexcused and undocumented absences (equivalent of 3 weeks. 3 days in summer) will automatically fail this course. If you find yourself in a situation that forces you to miss classes, contact your instructor as soon as possible. If you cannot make a commitment to attend classes regularly, withdraw from this course. All students are responsible for the material covered in class. If you miss class, the responsibility is on the student to acquire notes etc. from a classmate and **NOT** from the instructor.

In an attempt to create an efficient learning environment, disruptive behaviors will not be tolerated. Some examples of disruptive behaviors include arriving late and/or leaving early, moving around and/or leaving the classroom, and talking to your neighbor. It is very distracting to instructor and other students when you leave and return to the room during class, so **PLEASE** do not leave unless you have some sort of genuine emergency. If you have to leave class early, please let your instructor know at the beginning of class. Students arriving late or leaving early will be counted “Absent” or “Present” at the discretion of the instructor. Failure to comply with these requests may also result in your dismissal from the classroom.

Electronic Devices: Use of electronic devices is permitted only to take notes (laptop or tablet computer), participate in class activities as directed by your instructor or to access e-books and documents used in the lecture. You must refrain from accessing any email, social media, playing games or any other activities not related to class. All devices should be silenced. Cell phone use for the purposes of texting, email or other social media is not permitted. Do not leave the classroom in order to answer phone calls, check or send messages unless you have a pending emergency (please inform your instructor before class). If your instructor suspects that you are engaging in unrelated activities using your personal electronic device, your instructor reserves the right to take appropriate disciplinary action (e.g. ask you to leave and counted absent, or ask you to place the device out of your reach).

Course Assessments/Assignments:

Exams (65%): A total of three exams, including a non cumulative final exam will be given. Most test questions will be based on lecture materials. Note that not all materials covered in class can be found in the textbook.

Final Essay. (20%): instruction on separate page. Due June 25.

Quizzes, small assignments, activities and participation (15%): More specific instruction and information will be provided in class / online.

- **Note on online exam /quizzes:** Students are expected to complete their quizzes during the “quiz window.” To take the quizzes, students must use the Respondus LockDown Browser and Webcam Monitor which requires a computer with a functioning internal or external camera & microphone (purchased for \$10-\$15 if you do not have them already), sound card, and strong/dependable Internet access. Remember that you and your

environment are being recorded while you take the exam. Please wear appropriate clothing and conduct yourself in a professional manner. Abuse of the webcam monitor will be reported to the proper authorities.

- If you feel the need to question or discuss essay grade, submit a **TYPED REQUEST** along with copy of your essay to the instructor who will then provide a more detailed explanation for you in writing. All questions must be submitted in writing to the instructor on the next scheduled class day following the return of a test or other assignment. **AFTER THE NEXT SCHEDULED CLASS ALL ARGUMENTS WILL BE CONSIDERED CLOSED AND THE INSTRUCTOR WILL NO LONGER BE WILLING TO DISCUSS MATTERS RELATING TO PREVIOUS TESTS OR ASSIGNMENTS.** Submitting request for review of your essay usually does not result in change of your essay grade (since there are usually valid reason for deduction of some points as well as for fairness to other students) unless you submit a very strong argument.
- **Make-up exams will be given only reluctantly.** If a student knows that they will have to miss an exam during the semester, they are required to let the instructor know at least two weeks in advance of the test date. (No exams will be given prior to scheduled exam day). If some unforeseen tragedy or other unavoidable situation forces you to miss an exam, it is your responsibility to notify the instructor as soon as possible (Preferably before the date of the class to be missed, but absolutely **NO** later than next scheduled class meeting). The merits of your situation will be judged by the instructor on whether or not they deserve consideration. A **Typed** request for a make-up exam, which includes your name, telephone number, e-mail address, and reason for missing the exam, written documentation and or other evidence of circumstance such as a doctor's note, newspaper obituary, court receipt etc. and a telephone number for verification of your claim will be required by the instructor in order to consider your request for a make-up exam. In the case of all documentation, students are required to bring both the original and a photocopy for the instructor to keep. Failure to provide all necessary documents will result in some form of penalty, including the refusal of a make-up exam. Students are almost never allowed to make-up more than one exam during a semester. **IN THE EVENT A MAKE-UP EXAM IS WARRANTED, the format will be at discretion of your instructor. Failure to show up for a make-up exam will earn a zero and NO further make-ups will be allowed.**
- **Your failure to comply with your instructor's request that causes an inconvenience to your instructor may result in up to 10 points reduction from the assignment /exam.**

Grading Scale

Students are evaluated on the following scale:

A - 90.00% or higher

B - 80.00 %-89.99 %

C - 70.00 %-79.99%

D -60.00%-69.99%

F - Below 60%

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.

Withdrawal: June 12 is the last day students can withdraw from this course without academic penalty.

Contacting the Instructor: The best way to contact your instructor is through e-mail (mracel@kennesaw.edu). Please include **your full name and the class you are enrolled** (such as HIST 1100: TH3:30PM).

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.**

DO NOT CONTACT THE INSTRUCTOR AT PERSONAL RESIDENCE UNLESS GIVEN SPECIFIC PERMISSION TO DO SO BY YOUR INSTRUCTOR.

Problems and Personal Matters: If you have any difficulty with this course, such as understanding the readings or lectures please contact me. If you have any personal issues that may affect how well you do in the course, please do not hesitate to contact me. Counseling service is also available to KSU students (<http://www.kennesaw.edu/studentsuccessservices/cps/csindex.html>).

ADA Compliance: The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Public Law 101-336, gives civil rights protections to individuals with disabilities. This statute guarantees equal opportunity

for this protected group in the areas of public accommodations, employment, transportation, state and local government services and telecommunications.

Should you require assistance or have further questions about the ADA, please contact: ADA Compliance Officer for Students at 470-578-2666.

Academic Honesty:

The high quality of education at Kennesaw State University is reflected in the credits and degrees its students earn. The protection of high standards of academic integrity is crucial since the validity and equity of the University's grades and degrees depend upon it.

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 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>

Students found violating any of these policies (especially plagiarism and cheating) **WILL AUTOMATICALLY FAIL** this course.

What is plagiarism? See the links below:

<http://plagiarism.org/>

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

<http://www.library.arizona.edu/help/tutorials/plagiarism/index.html>

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Tentative Schedule

- The instructor reserves the right to amend the schedule.
- Special topics may be covered anytime at the instructor's discretion.
- In case of inclement weather, check the KSU website <http://www.kennesaw.edu/> under "Campus Advisories" for the school's status. If the school closes, all scheduled events will be automatically moved to the next class meeting.

May 30: the first day of classes.

UNIT I:

Introduction.

Prehistory: Paleolithic and Neolithic

Early complex societies and Classical Empires of Afro-Eurasia.

Egypt and Mesopotamia

South Asia

East Asia

Mediterranean Basin +

Exam 1 around June 9.

Unit II

Post Classical Afro-Eurasia

Spread of Indian culture

Spread of Buddhism to East Asia and Formation of Confucian-Buddhist realm.

Formation of Christendom

Formation of Dar-al-Islam.

Afro-Eurasian Trade Routes and Pax Mongolica, its aftermath and legacies.

Exam 2 around June 16.

Unit III

Age of Global Integration

Modern Revolutions

Age of "new" Imperialism

World Wars

post-WWII

Reflective Essay due June 25.

Exam 3 (Final Exam) June 26