

Syllabus
for
History DV4510 (Twentieth Century World)
Summer 2007

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Texts:

Martin Gilbert, *A History of the Twentieth Century: The Concise Edition of the Acclaimed World History*. 2001.
Adam Hochschild, *King Leopold's Ghost*. 1998.
J. R. McNeill. *Something New Under the Sun: An Environmental History of the Twentieth-Century World*. 2001.
Fareed Zakaria. *The Future of Freedom: Illiberal Democracy at Home and Abroad*. 2004.

Class Description:

The political, economic, and social forces of the twentieth century since World War I. Emphasis is placed on global relationships, the rise of mass society, and conflict among cultures in an era of accelerating change.

Grading Policies:

Grades will be determined on the following basis:

Quizzes (5 out of 6)	50%
Map Exercise	10%
Timeline Exercise	20%
Term Paper	20%

Grades: A: 90 - 100% B: 80 - 89% C: 70 - 79% D: 60 - 69% E: 0 - 59%

Quizzes:

There will be six quizzes, on random days. Each quiz will be based on the readings that you were given for that day or on previous readings. Only five quizzes will be counted, so that the lowest quiz score may be dropped.

Students with Disabilities:

Any student requiring accommodations or services due to a disability must contact Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD) in Room 181 of the Student Service Center on the main campus. SSD can also arrange to provide materials (including this syllabus) in alternative formats if necessary.

Cheating Policy:

Cheating on an quiz, or turning in someone else's work as your own, will result in an E for the class. You may work together on your assignments, but you must turn in your own work. If you quote from a book or web site, you must properly quote and cite your work. **Avoid even the appearance of cheating or plagiarism.**

Timeline Exercise:

Objective: Review of events in the history of the 20th Century; gain an increased understanding of historical perspective.

Make a timeline of what you see as the 30 most important events in the history of the 20th Century. Use your textbooks, an encyclopedia, the library, or the Internet to find your information. For each entry, include a 2-3 sentence justification for your choice. Timeline **MUST** be typed.

Grading will be based on three criteria:

- 1) Completion of 30 historical events and 2-3 sentence descriptions.
- 2) Neatness and presentation.
- 3) Grammatical or mechanical errors.

Term Paper:

A 5-7 page paper on any topic in 20th Century World history is required. You may turn in an early draft for me to critique, and I will return the critiqued draft one week later. The final draft is due on the final day of class. You must use three sources, and properly cite them, and an encyclopedia may not be among your cited sources. The paper may be in the form of an argument or a narrative.

Map Exercise:

Map locations for World Map:

Nile River	Indian Ocean	Caspian Sea
Iraq	Cairo (Egypt)	Delhi
Mississippi River	Amazon River	Indonesia
Lake Victoria	Congo River	Iran
Arabian Peninsula	Mexico	Sweden
Australia	Japan	Hawaii
Greenland	Afghanistan	Israel
South Africa	Canada	Brazil
India	Pakistan	Philippines
Mongolia	Alaska	Guam

Map locations for the European Map:

Seine River	Elbe River	Danube River
Rhine River	Dardanelles	Pyrenees Mountains
Adriatic Sea	Norway	Finland
Alps Mountains	Sarajevo	Athens
Istanbul	Rome	Naples
London	Paris	France
Crete	Cyprus	Serbia
Sicily	Normandy	Spain
Berlin	Moscow	Iceland
Gibraltar	Lisbon	Warsaw
Armenia	Latvia	Ireland
Stalingrad	Leningrad	

Grading will be based on three criteria:

- 1) Placing all locations correctly.
- 2) Neatness and presentation.
- 3) Grammatical or mechanical errors.

Schedule:

Date	Wednesday
May 14, Monday	Introduction to class.
May 15, Tuesday	Gilbert 1; Hochschild Prologue, 1-4; Class cut short
May 16, Wednesday	Gilbert 2; Hochschild 5-11
May 17, Thursday	Gilbert 3; Hochschild 12-19
May 21, Monday	NO CLASS
May 22, Tuesday	Gilbert 4; McNeill 1-2; Map Exercise Due
May 23, Wednesday	Gilbert 5; McNeill 3-4
May 24, Thursday	Gilbert 6; McNeill 5-6
May 28, Monday	Memorial Day, NO CLASS
May 29, Tuesday	Gilbert 7; McNeill 7-8; Timeline Exercise Due
May 30, Wednesday	Gilbert 8; McNeill 9
May 31, Thursday	Gilbert 9; McNeill 10
June 4, Monday	Gilbert 10; McNeill 11-12
June 5, Tuesday	Gilbert 11; Zakaria Introduction, 1-4
June 6, Wednesday	Gilbert 12 Zakaria 5-6, Conclusion, Afterward
June 7, Thursday	Spare Day; Term Paper Due