



University of International Business and Economics International Summer School

HIS 170 U.S. History: Reconstruction to Present

Term: July 8 – August 2, 2019

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Class Hours: Monday through Thursday, 120 minutes each day (2,400 minutes in total)

Office Hours: TBD

Discussion Session: 2 hours each week

Total Contact Hours: 64 contact hours (45 minutes each, 48 hours in total)

Credit: 4 units

Course Description:

This course will focus on the social, cultural, political and economic history of the United States after the Civil War examining significant landmark political events as well as the everyday experiences of women, minorities, and other underrepresented groups. It emphasizes key issues in American politics and society since 1865 including reconstruction, the growth of big business; changes in the lives of farmers, workers, and immigrants; the rise of the city; the emergence of America as a world power; and reform movements among rural and urban labor, and among minority groups.

Course Goals:

- Students will have the ability to read primary and secondary sources (including digital sources) with a critical eye and express these ideas effectively in course assessments
- Students will have the skills to analyze a variety of different types of written texts (or in some cases material evidence or oral accounts) and identify how each text is shaped by author, audience, and the context in which they were constructed.
- Students will demonstrate a broad understanding of the major event, people, and issues relevant to the U.S. historical narrative through exams, quizzes, and assignments.

Required Textbook:

Nancy A. Hewitt (Rutgers University), Steven F. Lawson (Rutgers University)

Exploring American Histories: A Survey with Sources, Volume 2, Third Edition 2019.

ISBN-10: 1-319-10642-0

eTextbook available at: <https://store.macmillanlearning.com/us/product/Exploring-American-Histories-Volume-2/p/1457694719?searchText=9781457694714>

or

https://www.amazon.com/Exploring-American-Histories-Nancy-Hewitt-ebook/dp/B01NCB3WWQ/ref=mt_kindle?_encoding=UTF8&me=&qid=

Grading Policy:

Weekly Exam (4) 400 points @100 points each

Total Course 400 points

In class writing assignments will focus on your comprehension of the lectures and course content. The assignments will be discussed in class to prepare you for weekly exams.

No make-up exams will be given, unless you have a medical documentation.

Exams:

Due to the quantity of information presented, exams are open note, open book. Each weekly exam will cover the chapter content presented that week. There will be no cumulative exam.

Grading Scale:

Assignments and examinations will be graded according to the following grade scale:

A	90-100	C+	72-74
A-	85-89	C	68-71
B+	82-84	C-	64-67
B	78-81	D	60-63
B-	75-77	F	below 60

Class Rules:

A summer course is an intense and fast-paced learning environment. Students must make a commitment to the course in order to earn a passing grade. To create a successful learning environment all students must adhere to the following rules:



Students must arrive on time. A habit of arriving late will impact your final score. It shows disrespect for the instructor and your fellow classmates who are in the class to succeed.

Students will conduct their behavior in the class room as is expected of a mature, serious university student. Disruptions will not be tolerated. That includes:

- use of electronic devices for purposes other than coursework
- 不要用手机 Do not use your phone in class
- habits of talking, not paying attention, and disruptive behaviors
- cheating, not doing your own work, incomplete assignments

Academic Honesty:

Students are expected to maintain high standards of academic honesty. Specifically, unless otherwise directed by the professor, students may not consult other students, books, notes, electronic devices or any other source, on examinations. Failure to abide by this may result in a zero on the examination, or even failure in the course. Students are also expected to adhere to appropriate scholarly conventions in essays and research papers.

Attendance Policy:

Summer school is very intense and to be successful, students need to attend every class. Occasionally, due to illness or other unavoidable circumstance, a student may need to miss a class. UIBE policy requires a medical certificate to be excused. Any unexcused absence may affect the student's grade. Moreover, UIBE policy is that a student who has more than 1/3 of the class in unexcused absences will fail the course.

Course Schedule:

Week 1 (July 8-12)

Rebuilding and Expansion (Chapter 14, 15, 16)

M Lecture

T Lecture

W Lecture

Th Lecture

F Exam

Week 2 (July 15-19)

Seeking National Unity (Chapter 17, 18, 19)

M Lecture

T Lecture

W Lecture

Th Lecture

F Exam

Week 3 (July 22-26)

Abundance to Collapse (Chapter 20, 21, 22, 23)

M Lecture

T Lecture



W Lecture

Th Lecture

F Exam

Week 4 (July 29-August 2)

New World Order (Chapters 24, 25, 26, 27)

M Lecture

T Lecture

W Lecture

Th Lecture

F Exam