



University of International Business and Economics International Summer School

HIS 170 American History Since 1865

Term: June 13th – July 14th, 2022

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

Discussion session: 2 hours each week

Office Hours: Monday 9am-10am Beijing time or by appointment

Zoom meetings: Monday 10am-11.30am Beijing time

Test Times: Friday 10am-11.30am Beijing time

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

Location: WEB

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, visual /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 events, people, and issues relevant to the U.S. historical narrative through exams, quizzes, and assignments.

Required Textbook:

Hewitt and Lawson, Exploring American Histories: A Survey with Sources, Second Edition, Volume 2 ISBN-13: 978-1457694714

Grading Policy:

- ✧ Midterm Exam 100 points
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- ✧ Final Exam 100 points
- ✧ 3 Quizzes @30 points 90 points
- ✧ 10 In-Class Assignments @3 points 30 points
- ✧ Attendance/Participation 50 points (lose 2 points for each non-response)
- ✧ Pop quiz at any time to determine that students have completed required activities.

Total Course 370 points

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 complete all required activities within the time frame given
- ✧ Students must attend all zoom sessions or make alternative arrangements with the professor
- ✧ Students will lose points for all zoom sessions missed/failure to participate when called
- please avoid chatting, not paying attention during zoom session
- cheating, not doing your own work, incomplete assignments may lead to failure

Attendance Policy:

Attendance in zoom sessions is mandatory. If an absence is unavoidable, arrangements must be made in advance to avoid penalty. UIBE policy requires a medical certificate to be excused. Any unexcused absences may impact the student's grade. Moreover, UIBE policy is that a student

who has missed more than one-third of the class (6 class times) of a course without prior arrangement will fail.

Course Schedule:

Week 1 Emancipation and Reconstruction

Reading: Exploring American Histories, Chapter 14, 15, 16 Rebuilding and Expansion

Video 1 Emancipation

Document Activity 1: Freedpeople's petition

Video 2 Reconstruction

Document Activity 2: Sharecropping agreement

Video 3 The West

Document Activity 3: Buffalo Bill poster

Video 4 Industrial America

Video 5 The Gilded Age

Zoom session 1: Introduction and Syllabus Q&A, in-class activity 1

Zoom Session 2: in-class activity 2, preparation for quiz 1

Quiz 2 – 10 multiple choice, 1 short answer questions

QUIZ 1: released Friday of Week 1 10am, 1 hour to complete

Week 2 The Gilded Age

Reading: Exploring American Histories Chapter 17, 18, 19 - Seeking National Unity

Video 6 Workers and Farmers

Document Activity 1: The Money Question

Video 7 Strike

Document Activity 2: Strike

Video 8 Cities and Immigrants

Document Activity 3: Melting Pot

Video 9 Progressivism 1

Video 10 Progressivism 2

Zoom session 1: Review of Quiz 1, in-class activity 1

Zoom Session 2: in-class activity 2, preparation for quiz 2

Quiz 2 – 10 multiple choice, 2 short answer questions

QUIZ 2: released Friday of Week 2 10am, 1 hour to complete

Week 3 Empire, War, Depression

Reading: Exploring American Histories, Chapters 20, 21, 22 - Abundance to Collapse

Video 11 : Empire

Document Activity 1: White Man's Burden

Video 12 : First World War

Video 13 : The Twenties

Document Activity 2: New Negro

Video 14: The Great Depression

Video 15: The New Deal

Zoom session 1: Review of Quiz 2, in-class activity 1

Zoom Session 2: in-class activity 2, preparation for Midterm

Midterm Exam – 5 multiple choice, 5 short answer questions

Midterm: released Friday of Week 3 10am, 1.5 hour to complete

Week 4 Postwar America and Civil Rights

Reading: Exploring American Histories, Chapters 23, 24, 25 - New World Order

Video 16 : World War II

Video 17 : The Postwar world

Video 18 : The Cold War Takes Hold

Document Activity 1 : Truman Doctrine and Marshall Plan

Video 19 : The Fifties

Video 20 : Civil Rights

Zoom session 1: Review of Midterm, in-class activity 1

Zoom Session 2: in-class activity 2, preparation for quiz 3

Quiz 3 – 10 multiple choice document questions, 1 longer answer

QUIZ 3: released Friday of Week 4 10am, 1 hour to complete

Week 5 The Two Americas

Reading: A Nation in Turmoil (Chapters 26, 27, 28)

Video 21: The Vietnam War

Document Activity 1: Cuban Missile Crisis

Video 22: Liberalism

Video 23: Conservatism

Document Activity 2: Reagan

Video 24: The Cold War ends

Video 25: America in the 21st Century

Zoom session 1: Review of Quiz 3, in-class activity 1

Zoom Session 2: in-class activity 2, preparation for Final

Final exam – two longer answer document questions, one short answer

Final: released Friday of Week 5 10am, 1.5 hour to complete