



## **HIS 2110: World History**

### **General Information:**

<b>Term: 2019 Summer Session</b>	<b>Class Sessions Per Week: 5</b>
<b>Instructor: Staff</b>	<b>Total Weeks: 5</b>
<b>Language of Instruction: English</b>	<b>Total Class Sessions: 25</b>
<b>Classroom: TBA</b>	<b>Class Session Length (minutes): 120</b>
<b>Office hours: TBA</b>	<b>Credit Hours: 4</b>

### **Course Description:**

This course explores that under the influence of historical and environmental factors, how cultural, social, economic, and political topics take shape and impact each other in a global context. Students will survey the history of how the world develops during the past five centuries and the globalized world today. Topics will include: Early global connections and conflicts among peoples of different continents as well as among humans, other species, the natural environment, and the planet as a whole; Religious encounters, economic rivalries, and military battles produced by European Imperialism in Latin America, Africa, the Middle East, and Asia; Nationalist movements leading to a nation's independence; World War I&II; Cold War; Globalization; Exchange of goods and culture and the emergence of modern political and social movements.

### **Course Materials:**

*Worlds Together, Worlds Apart*, Robert Tignor, et al., 5<sup>th</sup> edition

### **Course Format and Requirements:**



## **Attendance**

Attendance is required. Unexcused absences be count in starting from the fourth unexcused absence and will result in an automatic drop in grade. With each unexcused absence your final letter grade will be dropped  $\frac{1}{2}$  a grade – NO EXCEPTIONS (e.g.: A to A-).

## **Course Assignments:**

### **Paper**

Paper should be double spaced, in 12-point Times New Roman font, with 1” margins all around. Place your name, assignment title, and date in the top right corner of the first page. Detailed topics for paper will be discussed in class.

### **Exams**

The three exams will be based mainly on class lectures. Exams will include both short answer and essay questions.

#### **Midterm Exam**

The midterm exam will be based on concepts covered in class. It will be in-class, close-book and non-cumulative.

#### **Final Exam**

The final will be and close-book. Note that the final will not be taken during the normal class times. Exact time and location for final will be announced later.

## **Course Assessment:**

Midterm Exam 1	20%
Midterm Exam 2	20%



Paper	25%
Final Exam	35%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Grading Scale (percentage):**

A+	98-100
A	93-97
A-	90-92
B+	88-89
B	83-87
B-	80-82
C+	78-79
C	73-77
C-	70-72
D+	68-69
D	63-67
D-	60-62
F	Below 60

**Academic Integrity:**

Students are encouraged to study together, and to discuss lecture topics with one another, but all other work should be completed independently.

Students are expected to adhere to the standards of academic honesty and integrity that are described in the Beijing University of Technology's *Academic Conduct Code*. Any work suspected of violating the standards of the *Academic Conduct Code* will be reported to the Dean's Office. Penalties for violating the *Academic Conduct Code* may include dismissal from the program. All students have an



individual responsibility to know and understand the provisions of the *Academic Conduct Code*.

**Special Needs or Assistance:**

Please contact the Administrative Office immediately if you have a learning disability, a medical issue, or any other type of problem that prevents professors from seeing you have learned the course material. Our goal is to help you learn, not to penalize you for issues which mask your learning.

**Course Schedule:**

The course has 25 class sessions in total. Each session is 120 minutes in length.

Class 1 Introduction to the course Bias and Critical Thinking in the Sciences and the Humanities
Class 2 Contact, commerce, and colonization: European Exploration The Atlantic World and Portugal
Class 3 Contact, commerce, and colonization: Prosperity in Asia Silver, the Devil, and Coca Leaf in the Andes
Class 4



Conceptualizing Revolutions: Models of Causes and Consequences Atlantic Revolutions Slave Trade and Exchange
Class 5 Industrialization in Europe and globally Revolutions of Industrialization Conducting biographical research
Class 6 Worlds Entangled: Economic and Political Effects of Global Commerce; Exchanges and Expansions in North America
Class 7 Worlds Entangled: The Slave Trade and Africa Asia in the 17th-and 18th Centuries
Class 8 Worlds Entangled: Economic and Political Fluctuations in Western Europe The Principles of Mercantilism
Class 9 <b><u>Exam 1</u></b>
Class 10



Cultures of Splendor and Power:

Culture in the Islamic World

The Enlightenment in Europe

Class 11

Cultures of Splendor and Power:

Hybrid Cultures in the Americas

Revolutionary Transformations

Abolition of the Slave Trade

Class 12

Economic Reordering

Colonial Reordering of India

The Opium War

Class 13

19th-Century:

Reactions to Social and Political Change

Prophecy and Rebellion in China

Class 14

Alternative Visions of the 19th-Century:

Socialists and Radicals in Europe

Nations and Empires:

Industry; Imperialism

Class 15

Nations and Empires:



China; Imperialism in China
Class 16 Peoples in Motion Discontent with Imperialism Finances, Industry, and the Woman Question
Class 17 Class conflict and the Mexican Revolution Cultural Modernism Race and Nation,
Class 18 The Great War Mass society & Mass politics Liberal Democracy, Authoritarianism, and Latin American Corporatism Anti-colonialism, Gandhi and Indian Nationalism; India Self-Government
Class 19 <b><u>Exam 2</u></b>
Class 20 World Wars I and II
Class 21 The Cold War Communism's Rise and Fall; Revolution, Socialism & Global Conflict
Class 22 Globalization



Global integration and the end of the Cold War

Class 23

Finance and Trade

Migration, Culture, and communication

East Germany

Education and Inequality

Class 24

Global Challenges

Demographic Issues

Anti-Immigrant Sentiments

Class 25

2001 to the Present:

Russia, China, and India;

The Middle East, Africa, and Latin America

**Final Exam (Cumulative): TBA**