



DEPARTMENT OF ARTS AND EDUCATION

COURSE OUTLINE –WINTER 2021

HI1120 (A3): The Modern World – 3 (3-0-0) 45 Hours for 15 Weeks

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CALENDAR DESCRIPTION: This course is designed as an introductory survey of global history and will provide a foundation for advanced study of history and related fields. The course covers the major political, cultural, intellectual and economic developments of the world since the beginning of the 19th century to the present.

PREREQUISITE(S)/COREQUISITE: None

REQUIRED TEXT/RESOURCE MATERIALS: None

DELIVERY MODE(S): Remote Delivery. This course is delivered remotely. There are no face-to-face or onsite requirements. Students must have a computer with a webcam and reliable internet connection. Technological support is available through helpdesk@gprc.ab.ca.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

This course intends to provide students with

- An overview of trends in world history within the themes of European colonialism and decolonization, scientific and technological development, changing social values, political movements, and globalization.
- An understanding of the questions historians pose, the challenges they face, and the tools they employ in their work.
- Improved skills in collecting, interpreting, and presenting information.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Students will be able to identify significant trends and major events in world history between 1815 and 2020, identify and explain the causal factors and other significant details for each, and use this information to participate in class discussions and answer questions on tests and examinations.
- Students will be able to formulate appropriate research questions; identify, select, and investigate appropriate sources; interpret the resulting information; and present their findings in appropriate form.

TRANSFERABILITY:

This course is considered a University Transferable Course; however, the student has the final responsibility for ensuring the transferability of this course to Alberta Colleges and Universities.

Please consult the Alberta Transfer Guide for more information. You may check to ensure the transferability of this course at the Alberta Transfer Guide main page <http://www.transferalberta.ca>.

**** Grade of D or D+ may not be acceptable for transfer to other post-secondary institutions. Students are cautioned that it is their responsibility to contact the receiving institutions to ensure transferability and transferable grades.**

EVALUATIONS:

Course Activities (Discussion Posts, Quizzes, Content Questions, Tests, Historical Claim Assessments)	30%
Research Project (3% Proposal, 7% Outline, 20% Submission, 10% Revision)	40%
Final Exam	30%
Course Total	100%

All assignments must follow the requirements laid out on MyClass and discussed in class. Topics must be approved by the instructor unless specified otherwise on MyClass.

All assignments must be original work for this course. Work previously submitted for other courses will not be accepted in this course. Students found to have submitted previous work will receive a 0% for the assignment.

All written assignments must be word-processed. It is particularly important to save a copy of any written work handed in for credit or grading.

All assignments will be submitted electronically via MyClass. This procedure will be demonstrated in class.

All research assignments are to be submitted electronically before 8am the morning after the due date. Work submitted after the deadline will be assessed at a diminishing value of 4% for every 24 hour period or part thereof to a minimum value of 60% of the grade. **Because the research assignments are in stages, earlier stages may not be submitted after the due date for the next stage without instructor permission.** Extensions will only be considered when students contact the instructor prior to the deadline and present evidence of extenuating circumstances

Students will be assessed on their research, synthesis and writing in the course assignments. The presentation of information in terms of organization and writing will be given equal weight in grading to the research and analysis. Chicago Notes-Bibliography referencing is a requirement for course assignments.

A final exam will be written during the exam period in April.

GRADING CRITERIA: (The following criteria may be changed to suite the particular course/instructor)

Please note that most universities will not accept your course for transfer credit **IF** your grade is **less than C-**.

Alpha Grade	4-point Equivalent	Percentage Guidelines	Alpha Grade	4-point Equivalent	Percentage Guidelines
A+	4.0	90-100	C+	2.3	67-69
A	4.0	85-89	C	2.0	63-66
A-	3.7	80-84	C-	1.7	60-62
B+	3.3	77-79	D+	1.3	55-59
B	3.0	73-76	D	1.0	50-54
B-	2.7	70-72	F	0.0	00-49

COURSE SCHEDULE/TENTATIVE TIMELINE:

January 6 – Course Introduction

January 11, 13 – Approaching Historical Work, Library presentation

January 18, 20 – Nationalism and Revolution, **Proposal Due**

January 25, 27 – Industrialization and Consumerism

February 1, 3 – Imperialism in Africa and Asia, **Outline Due**

February 8, 10 – The First World War and Influenza Pandemic, *Test #1 open*

February 15, 17 – Family day and Winter Break, no classes

February 22, 24 – The Interwar Years, **Research Project Due**

March 1, 3 – The Second World War

March 8, 10 – The Cold War

March 15, 17 – Decolonization and Civil Rights, **Revision Due**

March 22, 24 – The Modern Middle East, *Test #2 open*

March 29, 31 – The Computer Age

April 5, 7 – Contemporary Issues

April 12 – Exam Review

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Students are expected to commit the required time to complete this course. Requests to reschedule assignments or exams are extraordinary and will only be granted under such circumstances.
- Submitting assigned work on the dates set by the instructor.

- Regular attendance is important to success in HI1120 as is particular attention to online content on MyClass.
- Participation in course discussions contributes to your understanding and participation in MyClass forums contributes to your MyClass activities grade.

STATEMENT ON PLAGIARISM AND CHEATING:

Cheating and plagiarism will not be tolerated and there will be penalties. For a more precise definition of plagiarism and its consequences, refer to the Student Conduct section of the College Calendar at <http://www.gprc.ab.ca/programs/calendar/> or the College Policy on Student Misconduct: Plagiarism and Cheating at <https://www.gprc.ab.ca/about/administration/policies>

**Note: all Academic and Administrative policies are available on the same page.

Additional Information (Optional):