

# World History - Course Syllabus

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## Course Overview

World History is a year-long required survey course that explores the key events and global historical developments since 1350 A.C.E. that have shaped the world we live in today. The scope of Modern World History provides the latitude to range widely across all aspects of human experience: economics, science, religion, philosophy, politics & law, military conflict, literature & the arts. The course will illuminate connections between our lives and those of our ancestors around the world. Students will uncover patterns of behavior, identify historical trends and themes, explore historical movements and concepts, and test theories. Students will refine their ability to read for comprehension and critical analysis; summarize, categorize, compare, and evaluate information; write clearly and convincingly; express facts and opinions orally; and use technology appropriately to present information.

## Student Expectations:

### 1. Completing Course Work:

- a. All students are expected to actively participate in their history course every school day for at least one hour per-day. This is a suggested time, as many students may need to work longer, particularly if they have fallen behind the expected target percentage.
- b. All students are expected to communicate with their instructor when they have failed an assessment (quiz, test, writing assignment or project) in order to schedule a time for remediation. You can call, text or email your instructor as means of contact.
- c. All student must check his or her email at least two times every school day. Important information regarding your course and grades will be sent to you through the SIS, and it is your responsibility to check this communication.
- d. All students who are passing and on track are expected to attend Study Cafe at least once per week. Students who are not passing, or have fallen behind the expected target percentage, must attend Study Cafe at least two times per week.
- e. All students are expected to sign up for both Google Class and Remind 101 the first week of class.
- f. All students taking an HONORS course will complete additional HONORS requirements posted in Google Class.

### 2. Academic Honesty and Plagiarism Policy:

- a. All students are expected to do his or her own work. To ensure that each student is completing his or her own work, students will be asked to come to Impact Academy to have 4 Bench Mark exams proctored by a teacher in Study Cafe during their course. Students will have Unit tests proctored in Study Cafe or during a scheduled proctoring webinar with a teacher.
- b. Students are expected to always submit their own work. Plagiarizing from the Internet, or any other source, violates the Student Code of Ethics and Honesty Policy as stated in the Henry County Student Handbook. In addition, if a student submits the work of another student's, sibling, or friend, this is too a violation of this policy. When a student is caught plagiarizing or submitting another's work, the following steps are taken:
  - i. 1st Violation: Student receives a zero on the assessment without the option to redo or revise the assignment.
  - ii. 2nd Violation: Student will receive a zero on the assessment, and a parent conference will be scheduled with Mr. Thompson and teacher. Student may also receive a write-up.
  - iii. 3rd Violation: In addition to the steps in (B) student will also be recommended to return to his/her home school.

### 3. Note-Taking:

- a. Each unit includes several videos that provide the direct instruction necessary to understand the content and complete the subsequent assignments. It is expected that all students will take notes during these instructional videos. These

notes can be handwritten or typed, depending on your preference. You are required to submit a copy of your notes in order to receive a retake on a test or quiz.

## Grading Policy:

Assignments	20%
Quizzes	20%
Tests	40%
Midterm/Cumulative Exams	20%

## A Few Grading Reminders...

- Edgenuity automatically grades your quizzes and tests, and these scores are reported immediately after they are taken.
- Writing assignments and projects are graded by the instructor and can take more time to receive feedback and scores. This includes both essays and assignments posted in Google Class.
- Always review the feedback and comments in regards to writing assignments and projects. Often times the instructor will provide suggestions as to how you can revise your work to receive a higher grade.
- Skipping assignments is not allowed. Skipping an assignment without teacher permission will result in a grade of zero. Students will not be allowed to retake a skipped assignment.
- Your **actual grade** is reported to Infinite Campus during Grade Postings.

## Course Content and Pacing Guide:

All of the content for your World History course will be found in Edgenuity under the Course Map.

Additionally, Edgenuity provides students a pacing guide which you can access in the Lobby. Simply click on "Organizer" in the right hand corner of the screen, then "Reports", and finally "Assignment Calendar." Using the drop down box, select the course, then the appropriate week, and Edgenuity will indicate what students should complete to remain in line with the expected progress.