

Black 3-4 Modern European History

2013-2014 Course Outline

Keep in mind:

each quarter is 9 weeks in length, which gives us approximately 20 classes per quarter.

each unit should last at least two weeks but not more than three.

we should have at least three test grades per quarter (which means at least three units per quarter).

all information in this outline will be covered at some point in the year; the most basic information of any units that are not selected will be learned with very brief readings/outlines done as homework assignments without class discussion or lesson focus.

Here is when our quarters run:

First Quarter: *September-November*

Second Quarter: *November-January*

Third Quarter: *January-April*

Fourth Quarter: *April-June*

I have chosen **NINE** units I think we **MUST** do – they are in bold face in the outline.

Other units are suggested for your review – you may choose up to **THREE** additional units, for a total of 12.

Unit 1

Europe: Post-Roman Empire Through The Medieval Era

The Teachings of Jesus

Decline and Fall of Rome

The Early Christian Church

The Age of Charlemagne

Charlemagne as Roman Emperor

Eastern Roman Empire and Judaism

From Roman to Byzantine Empire

Schisms

Feudalism: Knights and Vassals

The Manorial System

The Growth of Cities

The Norman Conquest

The Magna Carta

The Holy Roman Empire

Unit 2

Crusades and Culture in the Middle Ages

Medieval Christianity

The Papal Monarchy

Franciscans and Dominicans

The Inquisition

The Crusades

The Black Death

The Popes at Avignon

The Great Schism

The Hundred Years' War

Unit 3

The Renaissance

The Major Italian States

Machiavelli on Power

Renaissance Society: Nobility, Peasants, and Townspeople

Italian Renaissance Humanism

Renaissance Education

Italian Renaissance Art: Painting, Sculpture, and Architecture

Unit 4

The Reformation and Exploration

The Protestant Reformation

Martin Luther and the Ninety-Five Theses

The Spread of Protestantism: Switzerland, England

Catholic Reformation

Portuguese and Spanish Explorers

The Spanish Empire: Aztecs and Inca

The Columbian Exchange

The Atlantic Slave Trade

Unit 5

Conflict and Absolutism

Spain's Militant Catholicism

Protestantism in England

Defeat of the Spanish Armada

Henry IV and the Edict of Nantes

The Witchcraft Trials

The Thirty Years' War

Louis XIV

Richelieu

Unit 6

War and Revolution in England

The Stuarts and Divine Right

Civil War and Commonwealth

The Restoration

A Glorious Revolution

Legal and Political Thought

England's Shakespeare

Unit 7

The Enlightenment and Revolutions

The Scientific Revolution

Ptolemy, Copernicus, Kepler

Galileo, Newton

Descartes, Bacon

The Role of Philosophy

Montesquieu, Voltaire, Diderot

New Social Sciences

Reading and Religion in the Enlightenment

Architecture, Art, and Music

The Seven Years' War

Britain and the American Revolution

Unit 8

The French Revolution

Causes of the French Revolution

The National Assembly

Declaration of Rights of Man

Church Reforms

New Constitution and New Fears

War With Austria

Rise of the Paris Commune

Radical Revolution and Reaction

The Reign of Terror

The Directory

Unit 9

The Rise of Napoleon and the Napoleonic Wars

- Early Life and Military Successes
- Consul and Emperor
- Peace with the Church
- Codification of the Laws
- Building an Empire
- British Resistance
- Nationalism
- The Fall of Napoleon
- European Reaction

Unit 10

Industrialization and Nationalism

- The Industrial Revolution in Britain
- Cotton, Coal, Iron, and Railroads
- Population Growth and Urbanization
- New Social Classes and Early Socialism
- Revolutions in the German States, Central Europe, and Italy
- Italian and German Unification
- Nationalism and Reform (Great Britain, France, The Austrian Empire, Russia)
- Romanticism in Art, Music, Literature
- New Age of Science
- Realism

Unit 11

Mass Society and Democracy

- The Second Industrial Revolution
- New Products and Patterns
- Toward a World Economy
- Organizing the Working Classes
- Marx's Theory, Socialist Parties, Trade Unions
- The New Urban Environment
- Social Structure of Mass Society
- The New Elite, The Diverse Middle Classes, The Working Classes
- Women's Experiences: jobs, marriage, family, rights
- Western Europe: Political Democracy
- Central and Eastern Europe: The Old Order
- Modern Literature, Painting, Architecture, Music
- Modern Science: Curie, Einstein, Freud
- Extreme Nationalism

Unit 12

Imperialism

- Colonial Rule in Southeast Asia
- Indirect and Direct Rule
- Colonial Economies
- Resistance and Colonial Rule
- Empire Building in Africa
- The Boer Republics, Cecil Rhodes, The Boer War
- Colonial Rule in Africa
- British Rule in India
- Imperialism in Latin America

Unit 13

WWI and the Russian Revolution

- Causes of the WWI: Militarism, Alliances, Imperialism. Nationalism**
- Assassination in Sarajevo and Responses**
- The Conflict Broadens**
- The Western Front/The Eastern Front**
- Trench and Air Warfare**
- The Russian Revolution: Lenin and the Bolsheviks**
- The Peace Settlements**
- The Treaty of Versailles**

Unit 14

The West Between the Wars

- Instability After WWI**
- Inflation in Germany**
- The Treaty of Locarno**
- The Great Depression**
- The Rise of Dictatorial Regimes**
- Fascism in Italy**
- The Soviet Union**
- Stalin and His Five-Year Plans**
- Hitler and Nazism**
- Nazi Economics and Anti-Semitic Policies**

Unit 15

WWII and the Holocaust

- The German Path to War**
- Demands and Appeasement**
- The Japanese Path to War**
- The Battle of Britain**
- Attack on the Soviet Union**
- The European Theater**
- The Asian Theater**
- The Home Front and Civilians**
- The Holocaust: Einsatzgruppen, Death Camps**
- Peace and a New War**

Unit 16

Cold War Conflicts

- Balance of Power After WWII**
- The Truman Doctrine and the Marshall Plan**
- The Division of Germany and the Berlin Airlift**
- New Military Alliances**
- The Arms Race Begins**
- A Wall in Berlin**
- France and de Gaulle**
- The European Economic Community**
- Rulers of the USSR: Stalin, Khrushchev, Brezhnev**
- Revolts Against Communism**