



C-ID Descriptor

United States History from 1865

Descriptor Details

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General Description

Historical survey of the United States from the end of the Civil War to the present.

Prerequisites

No information provided

Corequisites

None

Advisories

No information provided

Content

1. Reconstruction.
2. Expansion, immigration, industrialization, and urbanization.
3. Reform: Populism, Progressivism and others.
4. Imperialist expansion and emergence of the United States as a world power.

5. World War I
6. 1920s
7. The Great Depression and the New Deal
8. World War II
9. The Cold War
10. Civil Rights Movement
11. Vietnam War era
12. The Conservative Turn
13. Globalization
14. Twenty first century and global change

Lab Activities

No information provided

Objectives

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

1. Demonstrate the ability to interpret primary and secondary sources and to compose an argument which uses them, as appropriate, for support.
2. Demonstrate an understanding of U.S. History through multiple analytical categories such as race, class, gender and ethnicity.
3. Demonstrate an understanding of America's growth in a global context.
4. Explain the major economic, technological and scientific developments and their historical significance.
5. Analyze major political trends, attitudes, conflicts and events—including both mainstream and reform efforts—and explain their historical significance.
6. Explain the major social and cultural developments, their causes and effects, and their historical significance.
7. Analyze the relevancy of history in today's world.

Evaluation Methods

Will include:

1. Written essays and/or research projects.

2. Essay exams.

Can also include:

1. Classroom discussions that include primary and secondary sources.
2. Objective exams.
3. Classroom projects and presentations.

Textbooks

Berkin, Making America

Boydston, Making a Nation

Brinkley, The Unfinished Nation

Carnes, The American Nation

Davidson, Nation Of Nation

Divine. America Past and Present

Faragher. Out of Many: A History of the American People

Foner. Give Me Liberty!

Gillon, The American Experiment

Goldfield. The American Journey

Jones. Created Equal

Kennedy, The American Pageant

Maier. Inventing America

Martin. America and Its Peoples

Murrin. Liberty, Equality, Power

Nash. The American People

Norton, A People and a Nation

Roark. The American Promise

Tindall. America: A Narrative History

Zinn. A People's History of the United States