

**World History**  
Fall Semester 2024, Room C119  
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### **COURSE OBJECTIVE**

World History is a one-semester social studies course required for 9th-grade history students. The purpose of the course is to provide students with knowledge of the past required to understand the present. The course highlights events that have shaped the contemporary world. A chronological approach will be used to help facilitate learning. Non-western, as well as Western history is addressed. Significant events and ideas in history and the impact of each upon the development of the modern world are discussed. Cultural, social, political, and economic histories are all integral parts of the curriculum. By the end of the course, students will have an appreciation of democratic citizenship and a historical understanding of the world.

### **COURSE MATERIALS**

1. A notebook or three-ring binder, whichever student prefers.
2. A folder for handouts
3. Pen
4. Provided Online Textbook- *World History: Patterns of Interaction*

### **GRADING POLICY**

The following is the grading policy used by the Jackson Liberty history department and will be used to compute semester grades:

**50% tests and quizzes**  
**30% homework**  
**20% class work and participation**

- Study guides will be given out before exams. If you receive a study guide that means your test/ quiz is the following day.
- It is your responsibility to check grades via the portal or arrange a time to meet with me after school.
- The student is responsible for getting all of the work missed due to absence. As per school policy, you have a day for a day to complete all missing assignments for full credit.

### **COURSE POLICIES**

1. Students are expected to arrive at class on time and be respectful by listening carefully to others and not engaging in disruptive or distracting behavior. Every student has the right to disagree with opinions expressed by the teacher or other students, however, the student must respond in a courteous, respectful way that ensures a safe and tolerant classroom environment. Intimidation or derogatory comments will not be tolerated.
2. Academic honesty and integrity are not only expected but required. This includes the use of AI.
3. Students will be provided with a class chrome book for which they will be responsible throughout the semester. Please make sure these are charged each day.
4. No hats, hoods, headphones, etc. are to be worn or used during class as per the student handbook.
5. As per new district policy, cell phones will be collected upon arrival to class and remain in designated holders for the entirety of the class. Refusal to follow the new policy will result in disciplinary action.

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**SYLLABUS**

I have read the course syllabus, and I understand the course description, the teaching methods that will be employed, and how the grades will be calculated. I understand that the student is responsible for all class work and homework, and that the student is expected to follow all school and class rules. I understand the consequences of violating school or class rules, including tardiness, truancy, as well as poor citizenship in class.

Student Printed Name	Student Signature	Date
Parent Printed Name	Parent Signature	Date

**VIDEO FORM**

During the semester, there will be films or short clips that may be shown in their entirety. These videos will be used to reinforce basic historical concepts as they are discussed in class. Some films are rated "R" due to some of the violence and language depicted in certain scenes.

If you have any objections to your child watching these films, please feel free to contact me as soon as possible via e-mail.

The films are very much content-related. Therefore, if you prefer to your child not to watch the film an alternate assignment will be provided.

**Please check ONE and sign below.**

I **DO** give my child permission to view portions of videos during class.

I **DO NOT** give my child permission to view portions of videos during class.

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**Parent/Guardian`s Signature**

\*\*\* PLEASE NOTE THAT AS THE SCHOOL YEAR PROGRESSES, IT MAY BE NECESSARY TO ALTER THIS SYLLABUS AS INDICATED BY STUDENT NEEDS AND/OR CURRENT EVENTS. THE STUDENTS WILL BE NOTIFIED OF ANY SUCH MODIFICATIONS\*\*\*