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Class Meeting: 9:33-10:18 Infonet room.

Nature of Course: A general survey of U.S. History from approximately 1865-Present.

Harper Lee, To Kill a Mockingbird.

Grades in course: Including the final, four examinations (based on class lectures and assigned readings) will be administered during the course of the semester. The final exam will not be comprehensive. Exams will count 60% of the grade for the course. The exam schedule is as follows:

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Any variations to this schedule will be announced well in advance. A study guide will be provided prior to the exam, and time permitting, will be reviewed in class. In addition to the four exams a research paper constituting 25% of the course grade will be required. Research papers are due April 6 by the end of school. Papers may be turned in early but no late papers will be accepted. All four exams and the research paper must be completed in order to receive a grade for the course.

In addition to the aforementioned grades, there will be periodic writing assignments/quizzes over the assigned class readings and lecture notes. These assignments/quizzes will be announced at least a week in advance and constitute 15% of the final grade.
60% Exams (4 exams)  
15% Writing assignments  
25% Research paper  

**Makeup exams:** Make-up exams will **not** be permitted unless specifically authorized prior to the date of the scheduled exam or in the case of a dire emergency. Make-up exams will be all essay and must be scheduled by the student at the instructor’s convenience. If for any reason the student must miss an exam, it is their responsibility to either notify the instructor or have their administrator do so. All four exams must be completed in order to receive a passing grade for the course.

**Attendance:** Exams are based primarily on lectures so attendance is required. Roll will be taken at the beginning of each class. More than twelve absences (no excused absences) will result in the deduction of one letter grade. You are expected to be in class on time. If you enter after roll has been taken, you will be counted absent.

**Discipline:** This is a dual-credit course meaning the student will receive both high school and college credit for passing. Because it is a college credit course students are expected to conduct themselves accordingly. Primarily that means no talking while the instructor is talking. Students unable to properly conduct themselves will be removed from class. Because students are also receiving high school credit for the course, they will be expected to follow the rules as outlined in their student handbook. Any violations will subject the student to being referred to their administrator.

**Scholastic Honesty:** The following scholastic honesty policy will be enforced: All students are required and expected to maintain the highest standards of scholastic honesty in the preparation of all coursework and during examinations. The following are considered examples of scholastic dishonesty:

**Plagiarism** From the ASU honor code: Plagiarism  
Plagiarism means the appropriation and the unacknowledged incorporation of another’s work or idea into one’s own work offered for credit" (Regents’ Rules and Regulations, Chapter VI, Section 5.32). Plagiarism includes, but is not limited to,  
A. Failing to properly acknowledge a statement, idea, or statistic made by another individual in the body of a work;  
B. Taking a whole section of somebody else’s literary work and placing it in the body of your own work without properly acknowledging the contributor;  
C. Representing somebody else’s entire work as that of your own.
Collusion Using another’s work as one’s own, or working together with another person in the preparation of work, unless such joint preparation is specifically approved in advance by the instructor.

Cheating Giving or receiving information on examinations.

Students guilty of scholastic dishonesty will be administratively dropped from the course with a grade of “F” and subject to disciplinary action, which may include suspension and expulsion.

In addition to these standards, any student caught cheating will be turned over to their respective high school administrator for disciplinary action.

Rochelle Spring Break: March 9-13. Same as ASU.

Withdrawal date: March 26.

Course Outline: Week I  Reconstruction and Post Reconstruction.
Required reading: Textbook chapters 15-16.

Week II  Industrialism and labor movement.

Week III  Agrarian revolt.
Required reading: Textbook chapter 20.

Week IV  Age of reform through Woodrow Wilson.
Required reading: Textbook chapter 21 through page 578.

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Week V  Age of reform and imperialism.
Required reading: Textbook chapters 21-22.

Week VI  World War I
Required reading: Textbook chapter 23.

Week VII  1920’s
Required reading: Textbook chapter 24.

Week VIII  Economic collapse and 1932 election.
Required reading: Textbook chapter 25. To Kill a Mockingbird chapters 1-10.

Exam #2
Week IX  Depression.

Week X  World War II.
Required reading:  Textbook chapter 27.

Week XI  Cold War.
Required reading:  Textbook Chapter 28.

Week XII  Beginning of Civil Rights movement.

Exam #3

Week XIII  JFK and LBJ
Required reading:  Textbook chapter 29

Week XIV  Vietnam and Civil Rights
Required reading:  Textbook chapter 29.

Week XV  Nixon’s presidency.
Required reading:  Textbook chapter 29.

Week XVI.  Carter, Reagan, and Clinton

Final exam