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Class Meeting: 8:53-9:42
               12:55-1:44

Nature of Course: A general survey of U.S. History from approximately 1865 to the present.

Textbook: The American YAWP. Link to online free version: http://www.americanyawp.com/
The Jungle, by Upton Sinclair. Link to online free version: http://www.gutenberg.org/files/140/140-h/140-h.htm

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. The four exams will count 60% of the grade for the course. The exam schedule is as follows:
     Exam #1 February 10-11
     Exam #2 March 5-6
     Exam #3 April 14-15
     Final May 7
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. All four exams must be completed in order to receive a grade for the course.

There will be periodic quizzes over the assigned class readings and lecture notes. These quizzes will be announced at least a week in advance and constitute 20% of the final grade.

In addition to the aforementioned grades, students will be assigned periodic writing prompts that are based on assigned readings and
class notes and are to be answered in essay form. These will constitute 20% of the final course grade.

60% Exams (4 exams)
20% Reading quizzes
20% Writing prompts/essays

**Grading Scale for History 1301**

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**Makeup work:** 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. This policy applies to quizzes and writing prompts/essays as well. Make-up exams and quizzes will be all essay. It is the student’s responsibility to notify the instructor in advance if they will be missing class the day of a scheduled exam/assignment and the make-up exam will be scheduled by the instructor at the convenience of the instructor.

**Scholastic Honesty:** The ASU Student Handbook contains important information about campus services, programs, policies, and procedures, including such areas as the campus disciplinary rules and the Academic Honor Code. All students are expected to be familiar with this publication and to comply with the policies contained therein, among them maintaining complete honesty and integrity in their academic pursuits according to the Academic Honor Code. The ASU Student Handbook is available via the ASU website at www.angelo.edu (“Current Students:/University Publications.”) This is the link that specifically refers to academic misconduct:


Large print versions are available in the Student Life Office, Room 112 in the University Center

*The following are considered examples of scholastic dishonesty:*  

**Plagiarism** The taking of passages from the writing of others without giving proper credit to the sources.

**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.

**Spring break:** March 9-13.

**Withdrawal date:** March 26.

**Course Outline:**

- **Week I**
  - Reconstruction and Post Reconstruction.
  - Required reading: Textbook chapter 15.

- **Week II**
  - Industrialism and labor movement.
  - Required reading: Textbook chapters 16.

- **Week III**
  - Agrarian revolt.
  - Required reading: Textbook chapter 17.

- **Week IV**
  - Age of reform through Woodrow Wilson.
  - Required reading: Textbook chapter 18.
  - **Exam #1**

- **Week V**
  - Age of reform and imperialism.
  - Required reading: Textbook chapters 19.

- **Week VI**
  - World War I
  - Required reading: Textbook chapter 20.

- **Week VII**
  - 1920’s
  - Required reading: Textbook chapter 21.

- **Week VIII**
  - Economic collapse and 1932 election.
  - Required reading: Textbook chapter 22.
  - **Exam #2**

- **Week IX**
  - The Great Depression.
  - Required reading: Textbook chapter 23.

- **Week X**
  - World War II.
Week XI  Cold War.  
Required reading: Textbook Chapter 25.

Week XII  Beginning of Civil Rights movement.  
*The Jungle* chapters 16-23.  
**Exam #3**

Week XIII  JFK and LBJ  
Required reading: Textbook chapter 27

Week XIV  Vietnam and Civil Rights  
Required reading: Textbook chapter 28.

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

Week XVI  Carter, Reagan, and Clinton  
Required reading: Textbook chapters 30.  
*The Jungle* chapters 24-31.  
**Final exam**