Syllabus
History 1301/ASU
Summer 2020

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Office Hours: By appointment.

Class Meeting: Daily Zoom meetings will be held at 1:00 pm M-F unless otherwise announced.

Nature of Course: A general survey of U.S. History from approximately 1492-1865.

Course materials:
Course content will be delivered via three primary methods:

Textbook: The American YAWP. Link to online free version: http://www.americanyawp.com/
Periodic writing assessments will be assigned from the chapter readings.

Video series: The Civil War by Ken Burns. Link to online free version: https://www.pbslearningmedia.org/resource/the-civil-war-full-film/the-civil-war/
Periodic writing assessments will be assigned from these videos.

Lecture series: Lectures will be delivered during the daily Zoom sessions. Students will be required to take notes from these sessions. For students unable to attend these daily meetings, recordings of the session will be posted to Blackboard in the “Content” section. Here is a link to the Zoom session:
Zoom log-in info:
*Go to: www.zoom.us
*At the top in blue click on “Join A Meeting”
*In the meeting ID or personal link name bar type in the following code: 686 263 3225
*Password 1302
*That should take you to the meeting.
*You should be able to access the meeting with your computer or phone.
*If you have any trouble, you can text me at (325) 456-6020.
*I’m going to post to Blackboard on a daily basis in the content section the recording of each day’s class. So, if you miss the live
broadcast, you can watch the recordings.
*So as not to take up too much bandwidth on Blackboard, I’m going to going to delete from Blackboard the previous week’s recordings at 7:00 pm every Sunday.
Periodic writing assessments will be assigned and based on the notes students take from these lectures.

**Course assessment:** Because this course is online with no proctors/monitors, course assessments will consist entirely of writing assignments. Daily instructions will be posted to Blackboard in the Content section and these instructions will include an “upcoming assignments” segment. These writing assignments will be completed in a word document and emailed back to the instructor in an attachment.

**Grading Scale for History 1301**

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**Makeup work:** Make-up work will not be permitted unless specifically authorized prior to the due date of the scheduled assignment or in the case of a dire emergency. It is the student’s responsibility to notify the instructor in advance if they cannot complete the assignment by the due date and to schedule the make-up assignment at the convenience of the instructor.

**Attendance:** Students are encouraged to attend the daily Zoom sessions but attendance at these sessions is not required. At the discretion of the instructor, students attending a high percentage of these daily sessions may be given extra credit for their final grade but not attending the daily sessions will not negatively impact a student’s grade.

**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: http://www.angelo.edu/student-handbook/code-of-student-
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 Angelo State University for disciplinary action.

**Withdrawal date:**  June 19.

**Course Outline:**

**Week 1**
- Lectures: Pre-Columbian period through establishing a national government.
- Textbook: Chapters 1-3.
- Video series: Episode 1.

**Week 2**
- Lectures: Confederation Period through Monroe Doctrine.
- Textbook: Chapters 4-7.
- Video series: Episodes 2-3.

**Week 3**
- Lectures: Emerging sectional differences through Compromise of 1850/Omnibus Bill.
- Textbook: Chapters 8-10.
- Video series: Episodes 4-5.

**Week 4**
- Lectures: Road to war through Gettysburg.
- Video series: Episodes 6-7.

**Week 5**
- Lectures: Surrender/Lincoln assassination
- Textbook: Chapter 14.
- Video series: Episodes 8-9.