HST History

HST 105 Great Ideas of World Civilizations (3-0)

3 crs.

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Introduces students to a selection of formative historical and contemporary texts in a variety of disciplines, including philosophy, the social sciences, literature, gender/multicultural studies, and the history of science. (Also listed as HUM 105. Credit will be given for either HST 105 or HUM 105, but not both.) IAI H9 900

HST 111 The American Experience to 1877 (3-0)

Survey of the American experience through the pre-revolutionary period, the expansion westward and the Civil War. Special stress is placed upon the social, economic, cultural, political and constitutional development of the United States. IAI S2 900

HST 112 The American Experience Since 1877 (3-0) 3 crs

Surveys the end of Reconstruction to the present, with primary stress on political and economic development. Also includes social, intellectual, and cultural phases, expanded role of government in national affairs and the participation of the United States in international relations. IAI S2 901

HST 121 History of Latin America (3-0)

Surveys the political and constitutional history of the principal Latin American nations. The course will cover movements leading to independence and social and economic events which are pertinent to relationships with the United States. This course meets the World Culture and Diversity graduation requirement. IAI S2 920N

HST 141 History of Western Civilization to 1650 (4-0) 4 crs.

Stresses political, social, cultural, economic, and technological developments from prehistoric times and concludes with the last manifestation of essentially medieval ideology,i.e., the Protestant Reformation. IAI S2 902

HST 142 History of Western Civilization Since 1650 (4-0) 4 crs.

Continues HST 141. Commences with the emergence of modern times, i.e., the development of royal absolutism and the beginnings of the modern nation state and concludes with the 20th century and the modern world. IAI S2 903

HST 151 History of England Norman Conquest to 1600 (3-0)

This course is only offered in the fall term.

3 crs.

Surveys the social, cultural, economic, political, and religious history of England from the Norman Conquest through the age of Elizabeth I.

HST 152 History of England 1600 to Present (3-0) 3 crs. This course is only offered in the spring term.

Surveys the social, cultural, imperial, economic, and political history of England from the Stuart Dynasty through the present era.

HST 153 British Culture and Society (3-0)

3 crs.

Surveys the culture and society of England from the Norman conquest to the present.

HST 202 Topics in History (1-0 to 3-0) 1-3 crs.

Examines selected eras or topics in the various fields of history. The exact content and instructional methodology will vary from semester to semester depending on the material to be studied. A syllabus and/or course outline containing additional information will be available with other pre-registration materials each time the course is offered. Experience or interest in history is recommended, but not required. This course may be taken from one to three credit hours, to a maximum of nine credit hours.

HST 210 Women--the American Experience (3-0) 3 crs.

Studies history of the status, roles, and contributions of women in America, and a survey of the attitudes and movements that have affected the lives of women in America.

HST 212 Recent American History,1945-present (3-0) 3 crs

Provides students with a comprehensive analysis of the critical period 1945 to the present in American history. Incorporates politics and culture of the Cold War, the revival of liberalism, the Civil Rights movement, the rise of the New Left in the 60s, the Vietnam War, the counterculture, Watergate, the personalization of political activism in the 70s, the women's movement, the resurgence of conservatism, the Reagan presidency, the Bush era, the Clinton years, return of the Republicans, 9/11, war in the Middle East, the economic downturn, Obama 2008, and the 2012 election. Emphasizes social history and cultural trends as well as political and economic history.

HST 214 African-American History (3-0)

3 crs.

Studies African-Americans from African slave trade through slavery, reconstruction, years of neglect and civil rights revolution in the United States and their contributions to American culture.

HST 219 Illinois and Local History (3-0)

3 crs.

Focuses upon Illinois from its prehistory to the present with special attention to the local setting. Explores the impact of the state's geography upon its history and investigates the contributions of different groups—African, American, European, Native American, male and female—in the economic, social, political, and literary development of Illinois. Considers the ways in which the history of this state illustrates, amplifies and explains the larger history of the United States.

HST 231 History of the Middle East to 1453 (3-0) 3 crs. This course is only offered in the fall term.

Surveys the Ancient Near East and Middle East from its origins in Ancient Summer up to 1453. Emphasis will be placed on social, political, economic, religious and military institutions. The process of change and broad continuities will be examined in relationship to the historical evolution and growth of the region. IAI S2 920N

HST 232 History of the Middle East 1453 to the Present (3-0) 3 crs.

This course is only offered in the spring term.

Surveys the history of the Middle East from 1453 to the present. Emphasis is placed on social, political, economic, religious, and military institutions that shape the region. The establishment of colonial rule is highlighted along with the struggle for independence, modernization and development. IAI S2 920N

HST 241 History of China: Earliest Time Through Ming Dynasty (3-0) 3 crs.

This course is only offered in the fall term.

Surveys the history of China from prehistory to the end of the Ming Dynasty. Major emphasis is placed on the evolution and growth of the Imperial system and forces that shaped its continuation and growth. IAI S2 920N

HST 242 History of China: From the Ching Dynasty to the Present (3-0) 3 crs.

This course is only offered in the spring term.

Surveys the history of China from 1644, the Ching Dynasty, to the present. The content will stress the evolution of China from a period of strength and unity to one of disunity and change during the revolutionary times of 1911-1949. Special emphasis will be placed on the establishment of the Communist government in 1949 to the present. Economic modernization, role of foreigners and cultural advancements will also be highlighted. IAI S2 920N

HST 243 The FAR East in the Modern World (3-0) 3 crs

Studies history of East Asia since 1800. The traditional cultures of China and Japan, the Western impact and the Asian response will be covered. IAI S2 920N

HST 245 The World Since 1945 (3-0)

3 crs.

Surveys the history of the world from 1945 to the present with major emphasis on historical issues and events that have global impact. IAI S2 913N

HST 261 American Civil War 1848-1865 (3-0)

3 crs.

Focuses on the causes, events and immediate outcomes of the American Civil War during the period of 1848-1865. Political, military and social history is presented so that students receive a comprehensive understanding of this seminal event in American history.

HST 270 History of Rome (3-0)

3 crs.

Surveys Roman history from the time of the Roman monarchy through the reign of Constantine. Emphasizes the origins and history of the great Roman Legions. Includes references to works of Latin literature including, Tacitus, Suetonius, Sallust, Catullus, Ovid, Virgil and Horace. Covers Roman pre-history, the Roman Republic, the end of the Republic and the early and late Roman empire. Discusses prominent Roman citizens such as Marcus, Sulla, Pompey, Gracchi, Caesar and Augustus.

HST 281 World War I (3-0)

3 crs.

This course is only offered in the fall term.

Examines the causes, impact, outcomes and legacy of the Great War, the first modern war since the Industrial Revolution. Emphasizes current and past interpretations of this conflict. Highlights the experiences of the people, societies and countries/nation-states that participated in this first "total" war. Considers how this conflict changed the 20th century.

HST 282 World War II (3-0) This course is only offered in the spring term.

3 crs.

Surveys the history of World War II, the most destructive conflict of the 20th century. Covers major military operations (strategy and tactics) with an emphasis on diplomacy, doctrine and conflicts over resources. Examines the origins of the war in Europe and the Pacific and details the time period, 1919-1939, Pearl Harbor, the homefront, American participation in Europe and the Pacific, new technologies, the Holocaust, the Atomic bomb, the end of the war, and the outcomes and impact of the war on the U.S. and the world beyond 1945.

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