

HST203 - History of the United States 1900-1988

Course Syllabus - Spring Term 2011

PLEASE NOTE	The course syllabus is a contract between instructor and student. It is the student's responsibility to read, understand, and comply with every academic requirement listed herein.
Times/Locations	#41357 Tuesdays & Thursdays 10am-11:20am CEN401 #41358 Tuesdays & Thursdays 1:00pm-2:20pm CEN401
Instructor/Email Class Web Site Contacting Me	Joe Escobar escobarj@lanecc.edu Click Here to see student evaluations from prior terms http://classes.lanecc.edu Please use Moodle messaging, instead of email, to contact the instructor. LCC's email spam filter often keeps student emails from reaching me.
Office/Phone/ Office Hours	CEN419J, 541-463-5581 M 9-10:30a, Tu 2:20p-3:20p, Th 11:20a-12:20p, and by appointment I'd be happy to meet with you anytime I'm not in the classroom. Moodle message me.
Required Textbook	Murrin et al., Liberty, Equality, Power Compact 5th Edition 2009 - Chapters 21-30 ISBN 9780495411017
Hybrid Course Special Code "h"	NOTE "h" in the LCC Class Schedule - Hybrid classes require in-class and online participation. 3 credits are in the classroom & 1 credit is online each week You will be expected to use the internet and email on an almost daily basis. This course has a Moodle website (http://classes.lanecc.edu) which will be used extensively during the term. Students will use an internet-capable computer to: • Complete weekly quizzes and opinion polls • Turn in assignments • Begin or continue class discussions in online forums • Read historical materials from a variety of websites • Complete exams in the Social Science Computer Testing Lab CEN456 • Send/Receive Moodle messages to/from the instructor
Course Objectives	• Develop knowledge and understanding of people and events that shaped this nation's history from 1900 - 1988. • Develop the ability to analyze and interpret historical data from multiple sources and develop multiple perspectives. • Develop meaningful connections and insights into the links between "history" and contemporary times.
Procedures	Course format is a blend of lecture and discussion, prompted by student questions, reading assignments, and audio and video clips. As a hybrid course, it has a significant amount of work that must be done online. Students must attend class, participate online, and keep to the schedule of readings, quizzes, assignments, and exams.
Instructor Contact	I am accessible via email, phone/voicemail, or in person at office hours or scheduled appointments. I urge all students to use Moodle messaging to contact me outside of class and office hours. I will use the Announcement Forum in Moodle to contact students on a regular basis. LCC requires that all students provide an email address to the college. You should be certain that your email address in ExpressLane/Moodle is correct.
VERY IMPORTANT INFORMATION	No late work is accepted. You have assignments, forums, quizzes, and opinion polls to complete during the term. Each is due by the deadline listed in class website in Moodle. All assignments are turned in via the class website in Moodle.

	No make up exams are given. Students will have a 3-4 day period of time during which they must complete the midterm and final exams.												
Evaluation <i>Attendance & Participation</i>	Attendance and Participation both online and in-class will constitute 10% of your final grade. I expect you to be in attendance for every one of the 20 days this class meets. You will sign a role sheet each day in class. Absences will result in a 0.5% loss to your final grade in the class. Online participation will involve a variety of tasks to complete (such as opinion polls) based on the course subject matter.												
Evaluation <i>Chapter Quizzes</i>	Chapter Quizzes provide a check of your textbook reading comprehension and a way to keep the material fresh, during the long 4-day weekend span between classes. Each online quiz in Moodle consists of a random 20 questions out of a pool of 90 questions. You may take them as many times as you wish, but must score at least a 50% or better on at least one attempt, before the deadline of 11:55pm on MONDAYS, in order to earn credit. Each weekly quiz will count for 1% of your final grade. Since there are 10 chapters total, together, they will constitute 10% of your grade in this class. Note: Although you need to take each quiz on time and score 50% or higher just once (to earn your 1%), you should take them 4-5 times in order to "see" most of the questions in the pool. These quizzes will be a good source of review for your exams. Most importantly, 10-15% of the <i>actual</i> questions on your graded midterm and final exams will include these computer quiz questions.												
Evaluation <i>Forums</i>	Students will participate in two (2), 3-week long online discussion forums, during the course of the term. They will comprise 20% of your final grade in the course. The first forum runs from weeks 2 through 4. The second forum runs from weeks 7 through 9. Detailed information for how your posts and replies will be graded is located on the class website in Moodle. The required written, audio, and video materials that you will use each week, including the questions you will answer, will appear in the forum links in Moodle.												
Evaluation <i>Exams</i>	Students will take two non-comprehensive Exams, each constituting 30% of your final grade in the class. Exams consist of multiple choice questions, true/false, matching, maps, etc. Exams are computerized and must be taken in the Social Science Computer Lab CEN456. Your midterm exam will not be given in class, so be sure to plan your schedules accordingly. You will take your final exam on any day, Monday through Thursday, of Finals Week.												
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Students with Disabilities	If you need support or assistance because of a disability, you may be eligible for academic accommodations through Disability Resources. For more information, contact Disability Resources at (541) 463-5150 (voice) or 463-3079 (TTY), or stop by Building 1, Room 218.												