

HISTORY 1 Section 1314
Introduction to Western Civilization I

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I am also usually on campus Tuesday afternoons. Contact me ahead of time to confirm I will be there. My office hours are times reserved for students. Feel free to drop by anytime or make an appointment if the above times are not convenient or for matters that may take longer than 10-15 minutes.

TEACHING PHILOSOPHY: My goal is to instill an interest and understanding in the development of Western Civilization. My responsibility is to present the material in an interesting and understandable format. Various forms of testing will be used to evaluate progress and results will be returned to students quickly. To be successful students must assume responsibility for their success. Together we will have an interesting, informative and successful semester!

TEXT: WESTERN CIVILIZATION BEYOND BOUNDARIES, by Thomas Noble,
vol. A 6th edition (volume I and older editions ok)

Plagiarism site for overview, test and completion certificate:

https://www.indiana.edu/~istd/plagiarism_test.html Certificate due February 14.

GRADES:	Chapter Quizzes	20%	A = 900-1000
	Paper	20%	B = 800-899
	Four Quizzes	20%	C = 700-799
	Mid-Term Exam	20%	D = 600-699
	Final Exam	20%	F = Below 600

Exams require an examination booklet and will not be accepted without one. You must complete Final Exam to pass the class. The four quizzes will be by 25 multiple choice questions. No make-ups for final exam. Other make-ups will be penalized one grade and MUST be arranged BEFORE next class meeting. Multiple choice make-ups will be 40 questions.

HOUSE KEEPING: Please refrain from eating in class. Turn cell phones off during class. So as not to disrupt the class do not arrive after the start of class or leave during class. You are always welcome to ask questions and voice opinions but please don't talk while others are talking **or during videos**. Violators will be asked to leave the classroom.

It is YOUR responsibility to drop if you decide not to complete the course.

LAST DAY TO DROP W/O A “W” March 4
LAST DAY TO DROP W/ “W” May 4/6

FIRST AND SECOND QUIZZES AND MID-TERM: Chapters 1-5.

THIRD AND FOURTH QUIZZES: Chapters 6-12.

MID-TERM and FINAL EXAM ESSAYS: From the seven questions on the study guides (see My LAVC Portal at lavc.edu, go to class and then click on tab “Syllabus/Documents”), five will be on the exam from which you will pick two to write on. Be as thorough and detailed as possible incorporating material from lectures and the textbook. Optional: Before the day of the exam you may stop by during my office hours to review an outline of your essays.

PAPER DUE: May 3

We will be watching various episodes from a series called Engineering an Empire from which you will be writing a paper. It should be 6+ pages typed and double-spaced (less than six FULL pages will affect grade). Font 12. One inch margins. **In addition**, your paper should include a cover page. **NO OTHER SOURCES ARE PERMITTED.** Paper should discuss the development of technology and innovations and their impact on the development of Western Civilization as described in the videos. Don’t focus on the engineering specifics, focus on what was developed, why it was developed and the significance of each development. Quality of writing will be a factor in determining grade. See me or writing center if you need assistance with writing. Be aware that plagiarism will result in failure and be reported to the administration. Note that papers will be checked for plagiarism. The videos will all be shown in class but can also be viewed online (YouTube) or obtained from Netflix. The episodes we will be watching are 1) “The Persians,” 2) “Greece,” 3) Greece: Age of Alexander,” 4) “Carthage,” 5) “Rome” 6) “The Byzantines.” Optional: You are welcome to come by during office hours for me to review an outline of your paper.

CHAPTER QUIZZES: Every class meeting except the first week and days of exams we will have a chapter quiz at 11:20 from the week’s readings. They will take 2-3 minutes and will not be accepted late. There are no make-ups. Additionally, we may have a few at the conclusion of class on the day’s lecture.

EXTRA CREDIT: Available by visiting LACMA, Getty Museum or Getty Villa and writing a one or two page summary of what you saw there and attaching your receipt to your paper. Due May 22. Students with plagiarized papers will not be eligible for extra credit. Extra credit will not be accepted to replace other assignments: to receive extra credit all other assignments must be completed. Earns 50 points.

***ESTIMATED SEMESTER SCHEDULE**

Week 1	February 7		Introduction
Week 2	February 14	Chapter 1	Plagiarism Certificate Due
Week 3	February 21	Chapter 2	
Week 4	February 28	Chapter 3	Feb. 28 Qz #1 (ch. 1-2: 3 pg. 49-54))
Week 5	March 6	Chapter 3	
Week 6	March 13	Chapter 4	
Week 7	March 20	Chapter 5	
Week 8	March 27	Chapter 5	March 29 Quiz#2 (ch. 3pg. 54-81; 4-5)
Week 9	April 3		Spring Break
Week 10	April 10	Chapter 6	April 10 Mid-Term
Week 11	April 17	Chapter 6	
Week 12	April 24	Chapters 7	
Week 13	May 1	Chapter 8	May 3 Paper Due
Week 14	May 8	Chapter 9	Quiz #3 (ch. 6-8)
Week 15	May 15	Chapter 10	
Week 15	May 22	Chapter 11	May 22 Extra Credit Due Quiz #4 (ch. 9-11)
Week 16	May 31		Final Exam 8:00-10:00

Above is an *estimated schedule for the semester and may be modified as deemed necessary as we proceed. Chapters should be read by date assigned above.

STUDENT SERVICES:

College website: <http://lavc.edu>

Library: 818-2756 M-TH 8:00 am – 8:45 pm; Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm; Saturday: varies

Bookstore: M-Th 7:30 am – 7:00 pm; Friday 7:30 am -4:00 pm

Counseling: Administration Building

Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS): CC-116. 818-947-2432

CARE: CC-116. 818-947-2432

Financial Aid: Financial Aid Modular near the North Gym. 818-947-2412

Health Services: North Gym. 818-947-2918

TRIO: Cafeteria Building, 101B. 818-947-2483

Writing Center: Humanities 100 & 102. 818-947-2810

Career/Transfer Center: Administration 126. 818-947-2646

Transfer Alliance/Honors Program (TAP) See www.lavc.edu

If you are a student with a disability requiring classroom accommodations, and have not contacted SSD, do so in a timely manner. SSD is located in the Student Services Annex, Room 175 or call SSD at (818) 947-2681 or TTD (818) 947-2680 to meet with a SSD counselor. If SSD has already sent the memo to instructor confirming accommodations required by student for this class, please meet with me to discuss arrangements.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

- A. Explain the origin and development of ideas, values and institutions which comprise modern civilization.
- B. Discuss salient events and movements of ancient and medieval civilizations.
- C. Evaluate the relative merits of ancient and medieval cultures by comparing and contrasting their development and achievements.
- D. Analyze the political, social and cultural traditions which have persisted throughout the history of Western Civilization from its origins through the Middle Ages.
- E. Examine the impact of contact between western societies and non-western societies during ancient and medieval eras.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOME:

Analyze the impact of the development and transmission of the Western historical tradition on Western societies and the world up to the year 1400.