

Global History and Geography II



Syllabus

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Course Description

Welcome to Global History II! It is very important that you understand that your Regents exam for Global History covers material from both 9th and 10th grade. You must pass this exam to graduate. Students will do several types of assignments including projects, tests, and essays to reach an understanding of important historical events.

Co-Taught Class

Students in this class will have the benefit of two teachers. Both teachers will be involved in the grading of and planning of the course. Students and parents are encouraged to see either Mr. D'Avanzato or Mr. Hathaway for questions and help. Our contact information is located on the last page.

Materials

Students are expected to bring their **agenda, textbook, spiral notebook, and writing utensils** to class every day.

1. **Spiral Notebook** (3 subject/ College Ruled - ONLY FOR THIS CLASS!)
This will be used for class notes and various homework assignments
2. **Three-ring binder (2")**
This will be used to organize their handouts, and kept in your locker.
3. **Other materials:** Blue or Black ink-pens, #2 pencils for multiple choice tests, colored pencils for map assignments

Textbook

You must bring your textbook to class every day. It is important that you keep your textbook in good condition. Periodically, I will conduct book checks to make sure that you have your book and that it is still in good condition. It is extremely important that you bring it to class.

Three Ring Binder (2")

Your Global History binder will be a collection of important work done in this class. All important handouts, essays, projects, and packets will go in this binder. You will not be required to bring this to class every day. Throughout the year you will be allowed to use this for different quizzes. It will be very important for you to update this throughout the year. The expected order of your notebook will be:

1. Course Information
2. Introduction and Review
3. Age of Revolutions
4. Nationalism
5. Industrial Revolution
6. Imperialism
7. World War I
8. Between the Wars
9. Great Depression and World War II
10. Cold War
11. Independence and Globalization
12. Essays
13. Review

Grading Policy

The final course grade will be based on the four marking period averages. Your marking period grade will be calculated according to the following weights.

- 1. Tests** **Weighted 3 Xs**
Each test is weighted 3 times. These tests will often involve student's ability to answer questions involving vocabulary terms, multiple-choice questions, and reading skills.
- 2. Quizzes** **Weighted 1 X**
Each one will be weighted 1 time. Quizzes will normally be announced and follow different formats.
- 3. Assignment** **Weighted 3 Xs**
This grade will be weighted 3 times. Assignments will be checked approximately 10 times a marking period at the beginning of class. To earn a grade of 100 a student must be prepared for class and have assignments prepared for class. Each time an assignment is missing or incomplete or a student is unprepared they will not receive the points for the assignment.
LATE ASSIGNMENTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED!
- 4. Essays** **Weighted 2 Xs**
Each essay grade will be weighted 2 times. Writing skills are an important part of this course.
- 5. Projects** **Weighted 4 Xs**
Each project will be weighted 4 times. There will be four major research projects as part of this course.
- 6. Extra Credit**
It is possible to earn extra credit. Follow the directions that are included in the introductory materials. A point system will allow students to do extra credit projects to earn up 2.5 points on their averages. These **MUST** be completed by the 8th week of the marking period.

*There may be other announced assignments and presentations added at various weights throughout the year.

Homework

In our class homework is assigned only when it serves a purpose. Therefore, when it is assigned all students must do it. It is due at the beginning of the class period, not at the end of the day. If for some reason you are absent from class, NOT SCHOOL, it is due as if you were in class that day. If you are absent from school, the assignment is due the day following your return to school.

WE WILL NOT ACCEPT LATE HOMEWORK.

All homework must be written in Blue or Black ink only. All assignments must be legible to be accepted. Any assignment written in any other ink color or illegible will be marked incorrect.

Essays

Most essays are written in class making pre-planning essential. When essays are written class they are due at the end of the class period. When an essay is assigned outside of class, they are due at the beginning of class on the assigned due date. No essays will be taken late.

Projects

Projects must be written blue/ black ink or typed. The project must be handed in at the beginning of the period or it is late. Each day it is late it is a deduction of 10% (20% over the weekend). If you need to hand in a project late because of a computer problem you must do one of the following during activity period:

Hand me a note from a parent/ guardian explaining the problem

Hand me a disk with the completed work.

E-mail me the work prior to when it is late.

Assignments

Students are expected to be prepared for class every day. This includes daily materials and any assignments. Each marking period you will have your assignments or materials checked approximately ten times. If you do not have the assignment or required materials or your work is incomplete you will not receive the points for that day.

Current Events

Every other Monday you will be assigned to read and report on a Current Event. This will be counted as an assignment grade. It will be due on Friday of that week. You will have to fill out a worksheet and attach the article you are reporting on. Your article will be on an International story; an example of this would be an election in Brazil or economic problems in Africa. **No articles about American sports, politics, or local news will be accepted (Buffalo is in the United States of America, and therefore any story about Buffalo cannot be used)!** Due dates will be provided to the students throughout the year.

Behavioral Expectations

All students at this level know how to behave properly. Students should at all times be on their best behavior, swearing, horseplay, and general bad manners will not be tolerated by Mr. Hathaway or your fellow students.

Attendance

It is your responsibility to make up work that is missed during absences. You need to see me to make arrangements to get missed work. The best time is to do this is during the activity period or after school. You will not receive credit for missed assignments and tests you do not make up in a timely manner upon your return to school.

If a student is late two (2) times an activity period will be assigned. For each additional tardy, a discipline referral will be sent to the main office.

Hall Passes

Any student who does not have their agenda will not be granted a hall pass. Students who are late with a pass need to present them to me when they arrive in class. Requests for passes (locker, lavatory, etc.) often will not be signed. Students are expected to use the lavatory and get their materials between classes.

Class Rules

All students will:

1. Come to class on time.
2. Come to class prepared (agenda, textbook, notebook, folder, and pen).
3. Always raise their hands when you wish to speak.
4. Follow directions.

Class Discipline

The following process will be used, but it can be modified on a case-by-case basis.

1. Warning and discussion with student
2. Assign Activity Period and/ or call home
3. Behavior Referral sent to Main Office

Contact Information

Mr. Hathaway

Activity period:

Office: B-199

Email: thathaway@eastauroraschools.org

Phone: 687-2505 Ext. 7176

Mr. D'Avanzato

Activity period:

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Signatures

Your first assignment is to sign this form and have your parents/ guardians sign it as well. This signifies that you have read the information above.

Student signature

Parent or Guardian

Date

Date