

Course Syllabus

Department: Social Science

Date: March 2006

I. His 111

United States History II

3 credit hours, 3 contact hours:

Catalog Description: A study of the foundations of American history with emphasis on political, economic, social, and intellectual ideas from Reconstruction through the present.

II. Course Objectives and Outcomes:

The objective of the course is to provide a thorough understanding of the foundations of American history from Reconstruction through the present.

Upon completion of this course the student will develop:

1. a comprehension of important historical trends in the United States from Reconstruction through the present time.
2. the ability to see relationships between historical figures, periods, ideas, and events.
3. the correct English grammar to write on historical subjects.
4. and demonstrate the ability to analyze secondary literature in U.S. history.

Relationship to Academic programs and curriculum:

This course serves as a SUNY required course in U.S. history and fulfills a social science requirement.

College competencies addressed by the course:

Writing, reading, informational resources, oral communication, ethics, citizenship, and professional competency are the primary competencies addressed in this course.

III. Methods of Instruction

- Types of Course materials: The textbook and other course materials will be selected by the instructor and listed on the course outline.
- Methods of Instruction: This course will be taught by lecture, discussion and presentation.

- **Methods of Evaluation:** Students may be evaluated using quizzes, exams, research projects, term papers and homework assignments.
- **Assessment Measures:** Upon completion of this course students will have been assessed to measure their knowledge of American political, economic, social, and intellectual ideas, and trends from Reconstruction through the present.

IV. General Outline of Topics covered

Recap the Civil War and Reconstruction
Industrial America
Industrial America and Labor
Agriculture and Rural America
Urban America
Reform and American Society
Progressivism
World War I
The 1920s Society and Culture
Franklin Roosevelt and the New Deal
World War II – Abroad
World War II – The Home Front
Upheavals Abroad and at Home – The Cold War
The Cold War and the 1950s
The 1960s - The Courts, Women and Civil Rights
Civil Rights, Liberalism and Challenges Abroad
The Changing World: Post Cold War America