

HIST 104
World Civilizations II: 1000-1800
Fall 2007
Section 1, MWF 9:00-9:50 a.m. (Brock 405)
Section 2, MWF 10:00-10:50 a.m. (Brock 405)

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OVERVIEW:

Welcome to History 104. This course covers world civilizations in a comparative historical context during the period from 1000-1800. While the year 1000 marked the dawn of a new millennium in the West, other regions operated according to different calendars that reflected their unique cultures. Over the next eight centuries, major changes occurred that served to bring people from these various regions together, introducing new philosophies and technologies, and creating both beneficial and disastrous consequences. Within this chain of events, expansion, colonization, and contact between different cultures did not represent the total loss of local beliefs and customs on the part of conquered peoples, but instead signaled a reorientation of societal values and worldviews. History 104 examines such developments from a comparative perspective, giving attention to broad patterns while also highlighting the uniqueness of distinctive world societies and the force of individual achievement.

REQUIREMENTS AND MATERIALS

Students are responsible for all assigned readings, preparation for and participation in class discussions, two midterms, and a final exam. Weekly reading assignments consist of chapters from the textbook that follow the general format provided by class lectures. Additional reading will be required for those class meetings designated as discussion days on the course syllabus, and can be found on the CD that accompanies the general textbook. For class discussions, students are expected to complete the assigned reading before class and arrive ready to participate in discussion activities. Although role is not taken for each meeting, class attendance is highly recommended. Role **will** be taken on discussion and exam days, and absence from class discussion activities will lower the student's class participation grade.

Required reading (available at the campus bookstore):

Felipe Fernández-Armesto, *The World: A History*, volume B, 1000-1800 (Pearson-Prentice Hall, 2007).

GRADING POLICIES

Semester grades will be based the average of the grade received for exam I on Monday, September 24 (25%), exam II on Monday, October 29 (25%), the final exam (35%), and class participation (15%). The class participation grade will be determined according to performance in class discussions. Semester grades will be assigned using the four-point system, i.e., A = 4.0, B = 3.0, C = 2.0, D = 1.0, F = 0.0, although midterm and final exam grades are subject to +/- evaluations. Completion and submission of **all** course assignments is **required** in order to receive course credit. Excused absences from scheduled exams and subsequent make-up exams can only be arranged with **consent of instructor**.

SPECIAL ASSISTANCE

Students with challenges that may require assistance or questions related to any accommodation for testing, note takers, readers, etc., are encouraged to speak with the professor as soon as possible. Students may also contact the Office for Students with Disabilities (110 Frist Hall, 425-4006, www.utc.edu/Administration/OfficeForStudentsWithDisabilities) with questions about services offered to UTC students with qualified disabilities.

CALENDAR:

[The following schedule and assignments for this course are subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances.]

M, 8-20: Course Introduction

W, 8-22: A) Mesoamerica to 1200: Teotihuacan, the Maya, and the Toltecs/B) Japan to 1200

F, 8-24: A) Ethiopia to 1200/B) West Africa to 1200

Week of 8-20: *The World*, pp. 338-371

M, 8-27: Class discussion covering CD primary texts:

- ✓ Kino Tsurayuki, excerpt from the *Tosa Diary*
- ✓ Excerpt from *Speculum Principi*, "The Animal Life of Greenland and the Character of the Land in Those Regions"
- ✓ Canyon de Chelly
- ✓ A European explorer's description of Cahokia
- ✓ Morasiki Shikibu, Selections from the *Tale of Genji*

W, 8-29: Europe, 1000-1300

F, 8-31: The Crusades

Week of 8-27: *The World*, pp. 372-407

M, 9-3: No class meeting

W, 9-5: Video, "The Fires of Faith: Dissidents and the Church"

F, 9-7: Song China

Week of 9-3: *The World*, pp. 408-439

M, 9-10: Class discussion covering CD primary texts:

- ✓ From the *Dede Korkut*
- ✓ Al-Thalibi, *Recollections of Bukhara*
- ✓ A Muslim view of the Crusaders
- ✓ Lu Yu, from *Diary of a Journey to Sichuan*

W, 9-12: Mongol China

F, 9-14: A) The Delhi Sultanates in India/B) Ottoman Empire to 1400

Week of 9-10: *The World*, pp. 440-479

M, 9-17: Crisis in Fourteenth Century Europe

W, 9-19: Class discussion covering CD primary texts:

- ✓ William of Rubruck's account of the Mongols
- ✓ From *The Travels of Marco Polo*
- ✓ Marchione di Coppo Stefani, from *The Florentine Chronicle*
- ✓ Mansa Musa of Mali
- ✓ Ibn Battuta, from *The Travels of Ibn Battuta*

F, 9-21: Exam I review

M, 9-24: EXAM I (exam covers textbook pages 338-479)

W, 9-26: Mesoamerica and Africa, 1200-1500

F, 9-28: Rise of the Inca Empire

M, 10-1: Portugal and West Africa in the 1400s

W, 10-3: Early Spanish Exploration in the Americas

F, 10-5: Class discussion covering CD primary texts:

- ✓ From the Narrative of the Journey of Abd-ar-Razzak
- ✓ The founding of Tenochtitlán
- ✓ From Ma Huan, *The Overall Survey of the Ocean's Shores*
- ✓ **Columbus's Encounter with the New World (**in *The World*, pp. 668-671)

Week of 10-1: *The World*, pp. 480-527

M, 10-8: The Russian and Ottoman Empires to 1500

W, 10-10: The Mughal Empire in India/Japan 1200-1600

F, 10-12: The Military Conquest of the Aztecs

Week of 10-8: *The World*, pp. 528-563

M, 10-15: The Military Conquest of the Incas

W, 10-17: The "Indian Debate" and Demographic Disaster in Latin America

F, 10-19: Video, "The Sword and the Cross"

Week of 10-15: *The World*, pp. 564-597

M, 10-22: No class meeting

W, 10-24: Class discussion covering CD primary texts:

- ✓ Toyotomi Hideyoshi, on the Conquest of China
- ✓ Jan van Linschoten on Dutch business in the Indian Ocean
- ✓ Abul Fazl Allami, from the *Institutes of Akbar*
- ✓ Bernal Diaz del Castillo, from *The True History of the conquest of New Spain*
- ✓ From Bartolomé de las Casas, *Brief Account of the Devastation of the Indies*

F, 10-26: The African Slave Trade

M, 10-29: EXAM II (exam covers textbook pages 480-597)

W, 10-31: Humanism and the Italian Renaissance

F, 11-2: Protestant Reform in Germany

M, 11-5: Religious Reform Across Europe

W, 11-7: Political and Social Change in 17th and 18th Century Europe

F, 11-9: Class discussion covering CD primary texts:

- ✓ **American Cannibals**
- ✓ **René Descartes, excerpt from *The Discourse on Method***
- ✓ **Machiavelli, excerpt from *The Prince***
- ✓ **Isaac Newton, excerpt from *Opticks***

Week of 11-5: *The World*, pp. 598-633

M, 11-12: The Ottoman Empire, 1500-1800

W, 11-14: Mughal India 1600-1800/Tokugawa Japan

F, 11-16: Ming China, 1500-1644

Week of 11-5: *The World*, pp. 634-667

M, 11-19: Class discussion covering CD primary texts:

- ✓ **Chinese armillary sphere**
- ✓ **Excerpt from *Chinese Eunuchs: The Structure of Intimate Politics***
- ✓ **Hideyoshi on Christian Missionaries in Japan**
- ✓ **Ogier Ghiselin de Busbecq, "Women in Ottoman Society"**
- ✓ **Letter from Selim I to Shah Ismail I**

W, 11-21: No class meeting

F, 11-23: No class meeting

Week of 11-12: *The World*, pp. 672-701

M, 11-26: Qing China

W, 11-28: Russia from 1500-1800

F, 11-30: Society and Culture in Late Colonial Latin America

Week of 11-19: *The World*, pp. 702-735

M, 12-3: Class discussion covering CD primary texts:

- ✓ **The Declaration of the Rights of Man and Citizen**
- ✓ **Olaudah Equiano, excerpt from *The Interesting Narrative***
- ✓ **Lady Mary Wortley Montagu, from *Letters***
- ✓ **Baron de Montesquieu, from *The Spirit of Laws***
- ✓ **Qianlong emperor, letter to King George III**
- ✓ **Voltaire, "On Universal Toleration"**

Week of 12-3, *The World*, pp. 736-763

Final Exam Schedule (exam covers textbook pages 598-767)

W, 12-5: FINAL EXAM (in Brock 405), 8:00-10:00 a.m. (Section 2, MWF, 10:00)

F, 12-7: FINAL EXAM (in Brock 405), 8:00-10:00 a.m. (Section 1, MWF, 9:00)