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This course fulfills a general education requirement in Cultures and Civilizations: World Civilizations. It will introduce students to the rise of civilizations and cultures in Europe, Asia, Africa, and the Americas from the origins of man to approximately 1300c.e., and the human achievements associated with them. Rather than taking a strictly chronological approach, the course will focus more on the emerging cultures or traditions as expressions of their time and place, and by adopting a comparative perspective, highlight the similarities and differences between them. The goals of this course are to familiarize students with basic facts of geography, history, and culture that every educated person needs to know to be an informed citizen of the world, and to help them learn to think critically about the world around them.

The following books are required for this course and may be purchased at the university bookstore. Copies are also on reserve in the library.:

* Craig, Graham, et.al., *The Heritage of World Civilizations*, 7th edition.

*There will also be a number of articles assigned for reading. They are listed on the syllabus under the date by which they should be read. All are available on E-reserve at the Lupton Library. (Many of them will be accessible on the web)

There will be two mid-term exams and a final. The mid-terms will count for 50% of the final grade (25% each). The final exam will count for 40%. **Makeup exams will be granted for documented emergency situations only.** Attendance and participation in class will be the basis for assessing the final 10% of the course grade. In addition, a grade enhancement opportunity, consisting of a research paper, will also be offered. The details will be provided on a separate sheet.

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The following is a schedule of lecture topics and reading assignments. The relevant chapters in the text and other book assignments are listed with each lecture. Assignments are to be read before the class meeting for which they are listed.

HIST 103- 001: World Civilizations I- Origins of Man to c.1300c.e.
Fall 2009

- Week 1(8/17+) : Introduction. The origins of man. The Rise of Civilization: the Near East. Read chapter 1 in text.
- Week 2(8/24+) : The Rise of Civilization: Egypt, India and China
- Week 3 (8/31+) : Four Great Revolutions in Thought: Confucianism, Buddhism, and Judaism. Read chapter 2 in text.
- Week 4(9/7+) : **Labor Day Holiday, 9/7.** Four Great Revolutions in Thought: Greek philosophy./ Classical Civilizations in the Ancient World: Greek Civilization and Hellenistic Culture. Read chapter 3 in text. Read: Epicurus, *Principle Doctrines*; *Letter to Herodotus*.
- Week 5(9/14+) : Classical Civilizations in the Ancient World (cont.). Hellenistic Culture: Development in Iran, India and Inner Asia. Read chapter 4 in text.
- Week 6(9/21+) : The Early History of Africa. Read chapter 5 in text. Review for first mid-term exam. **First Mid-term Exam.**
- Week 7 (9/28+) : From the Roman Republic to the Fall of the Roman Empire in the West. The Rise of Christianity. Read chapter 6 in text. Read: Favro, "Pater Urbis: Augustus as City Father of Rome."; Pagels, "The Politics of Paradise: Augustine's Exegesis of Genesis 1-3 versus That of John Chrysostom."
- Week 8 (10/5+) : The Dynastic Cycle in China to 1000c.e. Read chapters 7 and 8 in text. The Early History of Japan to 1300c.e. Read chapter 9 in text.
- Week 9 (10/12+) : Iran and India before the Advent of Islam. Read chapter 10 in text.
- Week 10 (10/19+) : **Fall Break, 10/19.** Ancient Civilizations in the America. Read chapter 14 in text. Review for 2nd mid-term exam. **Second Mid-term Exam.**
- Week 11(10/26) : The Rise of Islamic Civilization. Read chapters 11 and 13 in text. Read: Ochsenswald and Fisher, "Muhammad: His Life and Leadership"; "Islam."
- Week 12 (11/2+) : Europe From the Fall of Rome to 1300c.e.: The Feudal Order. Read chapter 12 in text.
- Week 13 (11/9+) : Europe from the Fall of Rome to 1300c.e. (cont.): Applied Feudalism and Charlemagne. Read chapter 15, pp401-417 in text.
- Week 14 (11/16+) : Applied Feudalism and Charlemagne (cont).
- Week 15 (11/23+) : The world in 1300c.e. **Thanksgiving Holiday, 11/25, 27.**
- Week 16 (11/30) : Review for Final Exam. **The date of the final exam is: Monday, December 7th, 8:00AM.**