

History 369: The World in the Twentieth Century 3HRS

MWF Noon, LDB 209

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Hours: M-F 2-3pm or by appointment

Class Description:

[HIST 2312] A study of global politics and diplomacy since World War I. Credit 3.

Class Objectives

A) to explore international history from 1914 to 2000;

B) to understand the concept of genocide and the ubiquity of genocide in the 20th century;

C) to understand the rapid transformation of popular cultures since 1914;

Required Texts

Your textbook is Keylor, William R. [The Twentieth Century World and Beyond](#), 5th edition, (Oxford University Press: 2005).

Grading: On multiple occasions during the semester you will take a written exam. There will NOT be a comprehensive final. The last test of the semester will cover chapters only since the previous midterm. Each day there MAY BE quizzes based on the textbook and/or in-class readings. I will drop your lowest quiz grade BUT NOT test grades. Attendance affects your grade. The formula for the grade will be as follows:

Quiz Avg. (50%) + Test Avg. (50%) - Class Participation/Attendance = Grade

Your final grade will be A=90-100; B=80-89; C=70-79; D=60-69; F= 59 or below

Make-up Policy: The daily quizzes are never made up. That's part of the reason you have drops for them. The in-class reaction papers are sporadically scheduled, like pop-quizzes and are also never made up. You may make up a missed mid-term examination with a documented, university approved excuse. When in doubt about your grades or work, always ask me.

Attendance: You may miss TWO (2) full classes without any penalty. For three to five absences, I will deduct 3 points from your final grade for each day .. If you miss six or more classes you cannot pass, regardless of your scores on your other work

SHSU University Policies:

Academic Honesty:

All students are expected to engage in all academic pursuits in a manner that is above reproach. Students are expected to maintain complete

honesty and integrity in the academic experiences both in and out of the classroom. Any student found guilty of dishonesty in any phase of academic work will be subject to disciplinary action. The University and its official representatives may initiate disciplinary proceedings against a student accused of any form of academic dishonesty including, but not limited to, cheating on an examination or other academic work which is to be submitted, plagiarism, collusion and the abuse of resource materials.

Americans with Disabilities Act :

It is the policy of Sam Houston State University that individuals otherwise qualified shall not be excluded, solely by reason of their disability, from participation in any academic program of the university. Further, they shall not be denied the benefits of these programs nor shall they be subjected to discrimination. Students with disabilities that might affect their academic performance are expected to visit with the Office of Services for Students with Disabilities located in the Counseling Center. They should then make arrangements with their individual instructors so that appropriate strategies can be considered and helpful procedures can be developed to ensure that participation and achievement opportunities are not impaired.

SHSU adheres to all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and guidelines with respect to providing reasonable accommodations for students with disabilities. If a student has a disability that may affect adversely his/her work in this class, then the student is encouraged to register with the SHSU Counseling Center and to talk with the instructor about how best to deal with the situation. All disclosures of disabilities will be kept strictly confidential. NOTE: no accommodation can be made until the student registers with the Counseling Center.

Religious Holidays

Section 51.911(b) of the Texas Education Code requires that an institution of higher education excuse a student from attending classes or other required activities, including examinations, for the observance of a religious holy day, including travel for that purpose. A student whose absence is excused under this subsection may not be penalized for that absence and shall be allowed to take an examination or complete an assignment from which the student is excused within a reasonable time after the absence.

"Religious holy day" means a holy day observed by a religion whose places of worship are exempt from property taxation under Section 11.20, Tax Code.

Visitors in the Classroom

Unannounced visitors to class must present a current, official SHSU identification card to be permitted into the classroom. They must not present a disruption to the class by their attendance. If the visitor is not a registered student, it is at the instructor's discretion whether or not the visitor will be allowed to remain in the classroom.