Course Syllabus

Syllabus: HIS 101

History of Western Civilization

Course Information

Course Title: History of Western Civilization
Course Prefix/Number: HIS 101
Semester: Fall 2020
Class Days/Times: Online asynchronous
Credit Hours: 3 cr. hrs. (3 pds: 3 lec)

Instructor Information

Name: Dr. Sharon Parker
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Office location: N/A This course is online so I am not on campus.
Office hours: I am available to meet with you by phone or in a Zoom meeting; except in case of emergency I am available Monday through Friday. In case of emergency I will also meet you on a weekend day. You may initiate the request, or I might initiate it. We can schedule a virtual time to meet or a phone contact meeting via email.

Course Description
HIS 101: Introduction to Western Civilization I
Prerequisite: None
Credits: 3 cr. hrs. (3 pds: 3 lec)
Course Description: This course investigates key links between civilizations across the globe, dating from approximately 20,000 BC/BCE to the 18th century AD/CE. The course compares religious beliefs, cultural myths, political structures, economic changes, and military invasions in the Americas, Western Europe, the Mediterranean, and the Middle East. HIS 101 is required for Arizona teacher certification.

Student Learning Outcomes

Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs): (Three to Six) After completion of the course students will be able to 1. Write a short quiz essay identifying and discussing major people, events and time periods. 2. Define and appropriately utilize historical terminology in answering quiz questions, and in their written research paper. 3. Be able to apply basic historical methodologies and critical thought to current and historical controversies.

Course Structure

This course is online asynchronous so we do not meet in person. And, except for periodic recorded lectures, and made available to you through a link to a Zoom recording, communication about the course will be done through postings on the course site, and via email. So be sure to check your TOCC email at least once a day.

Students will be examined based on their comprehension of the readings, participation and preparation for small group online discussions on particular topics, and application of themes / theory in their individual work for the course.

This is an online discussion-based class. Students are expected to fully engage in the critical analysis of the materials / reading online format through participation in the Online Discussions.

1- Students are required to first post a response to a topic I will post each week.

2- Students will then read the posts of other students in the course and choose at least two posts to respond to, on two different days, in order interact with other students, and to move the discussion forward. This is an opportunity to also ask others for their input to questions you may have, as we can all learn from each other.

3 - Links to a selection of videos will be posted for students to access online.

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4 - There will be a Virtual Field Trip (also recorded on Zoom with the link provided so it can be accessed later if necessary). Full details tba. There will be a writing assignment for this field trip.

Course Learning Materials and Textbook Information


Courses Outline and Important Dates

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**August 24.** Classes Begin

August 31  **Discussion 1 – Introduce Yourself to Your Classmates**

September 7 Labor Day; **College Closed**

September 14  **Discussion 2 Question & Responses to Posts**

September 15 Drop/ Full Refund Deadline

September 25 **O’odham Tas; College Closed**

September 28 -October 2 Fall Break; **No Classes**

October 2 St Francis Day – **College Closed**

October 14 45 Day Census

October 21 Progress Reports Due / **Midterm Exam (Open Book) Due**

November 9 **Withdrawal Deadline**

**Discussion 3 Question & Responses to Posts Due**

November 11 Veteran’s Day; **College Closed**

November 13. **Student Progress Reports Due**

November 16 **Discussion 4 Question & Response to Posts**

November 23 **Virtual Field Trip Response Paper Due**
November 26, 27  Thanksgiving Holiday; **College Closed**

December 11  Last Day of Instruction / **Final Exam (Open Book) Due**

December 15  Last Day of Class / Final Grades Due

December 25-January 1  Winter Break; **College Closed**

**Evaluations and Grading & Assignments:**

90 and above is an A

80 - 89 is a B

70 - 79 is a C

60 - 69 is a D

Under 60 is Failing

**Your grade will be determined by the following:**

Exams (2) Open Book; 100 pts. ea. Possible: 200 points

Online Discussion (4); 25 pts. ea. 100 pts. possible.

Virtual Field Trip Response Paper (1); 100 pts. possible.

360 and above is A,

287 – 359 B,

200 – 286 is a C,

120 – 199 is a D 119 or less is F

**Online Discussions: 4 Posts & Minimum of 2 Responses each to other students’ posts; posting the responses at least 2 days apart.**

**Response Paper (1)**

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Exams (Open Book): Midterm; Final

Himdag Cultural Component

1. Through the application of *T-Wohocuddag* we will compare and contrast the early historical and cultural production in the West, Middle East, Asia from the Prehistoric period through the 18th century with each other.
2. *T-Apedag:* Reflecting on the material production, culture and well-being of others, particularly in the area of physical and spiritual health and healing practices, provides us an additional way to reflect on our own historical place and healing practices.
3. Respectively studying other cultures leads to a deeper understanding and respect for one's own: *T-Pi:K Elida*.

**Policies and Expectation** You are expected participate in your **Online Discussions.** Four unexcused absences may result in withdrawal and a “W” or “Y” will be recorded. You may request to be excused from class for religious observances and practices, for illness, for school or work-related travel or for personal or family emergency. If you will be absent, please notify the instructor as soon as possible (approved by Faculty Senate April 2014).

**Incomplete Policy**

Incomplete (I) grades are not awarded automatically. The student must request an "I" from the instructor who can choose to award an Incomplete only if all three of the following conditions are met:

1. The student must be in compliance with the attendance policy.
2. The student must have unavoidable circumstance that would prohibit the student from completing the course.
3. The student must have completed over 75% of the course requirements with at least a “C” grade.

Incompletes are not a substitute for incomplete work due to frequent absences or poor academic performance. Incomplete grades that are not made up by the end of the ninth week of the following semester will be automatically changed to an F if the agreed upon work, as stipulated on the written form signed by the instructor and the student when the I grade is awarded, is not completed.

**Instructor Withdrawals**
Students who have missed four consecutive classes (or the equivalent) not submitted any assignments nor taken any quizzes by the 45th day census report, due on [date of 45th day found in Academic Calendar on TOCC website] are assumed NOT to be participating in the class and may be withdrawn at the faculty member’s discretion. [faculty members should be clear in their withdraw policy, if you do not withdraw students please note in appropriate sections].

**Student Withdrawals**

Students may withdraw from class at any time during the first 2/3 of the semester without instructor permission and without incurring any grade penalty. Please be sure to withdraw yourself by [withdrawal deadline date found in Academic Calendar on TOCC website] if you do not expect to complete the class, otherwise you may receive an "F" grade.

**Special Withdrawals (Y) Grade**

The “Y” grade is an administrative withdrawal given at the instructor’s option when no other grade is deemed appropriate. Your instructor must file a form stating the specific rationale for awarding this grade. “Y” grades are discouraged since they often affect students negatively. Your instructor will not award a "Y" grade without a strong reason.

**Equal Access Statement/Disability Accommodations**

Tohono O’odham Community College seeks to provide reasonable accommodations for qualified individuals with disabilities. The College will comply with all applicable regulations, and guidelines with respect to providing reasonable accommodations as required to ensure an equal educational opportunity. This process includes self-identifying as a student with a disability, providing supporting documentation of their disability, and being approved for services through the Disability Resources Office (DRO). It is the student’s responsibility to make known to their instructor(s) the student’s specific needs within the context of each class in order to receive appropriate accommodations. We will work together in order to develop an accommodation plan specifically designed to meet the individual student's requirements.

For more information or to request academic accommodations, please contact: Anthony Osborn, TOCC Disabilities Resource Coordinator, aosborn@tocc.edu, or 520-383-0033 for additional information and assistance.
Title IX

Tohono O'odham Community College encourages each student to have the knowledge and skills to be an active bystander who intervenes when anyone is observed or being harassed or endangered by sexual violence. Sexual discrimination and sexual violence can undermine students’ academic success and quality of life on campus and beyond. We encourage students who have experienced or witnessed any form of sexual misconduct to talk about their experience and seek the support they need.

Confidential support and academic advocacy can be found with: Student Services Title IX Coordinator/Counselor, Alberta Espinoza, M.Ed. located in I-We:mta Ki: Room 18. Phone 520-383-0033 email: aespinoza@tocc.edu

Conduct / Netiquette: Bias, Bullying, Discrimination and Harassment

Tohono O’odham Community College faculty and staff are dedicated to creating a safe and supportive campus environment as a core value. Harassment based on age, class, color, culture, disability and ability, ethnicity, gender, gender identity and expression, immigration status, marital status, political ideology, race, religion/spirituality, sex, sexual orientation, and tribal sovereign status will not be tolerated.

DISCLAIMER: This syllabus is designed to evolve and change throughout the semester based on class progress and interests. You will be notified of any changes as they occur.

Course Policies:

1. Students are expected to attend each class., arriving on time, except in the case of an excused emergency.
2. Class participation and preparation are essential to student success. Students must read textual material, prepare for projects, complete required research as stated on the course schedule.

1. Failure to submit a project results in a grade of zero (0). An F is a better grade!

1. No work accepted after the last class

Classroom Behavior

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1. Students creating online disturbances that interfere with the conduct of the class or the learning of others will be asked to leave.

2. Student behavior is also detailed in student handbook under Student Code of Conduct Violations

Make-up policy:

Late assignments that can be made up will be accepted but will be penalized 25%. Laboratories cannot be made up except in the case of college closure. At the instructor’s discretion, extra credit opportunities and optional activities may be provided.

Academic Integrity:

Violations of scholastic ethics are considered serious offenses by Tohono O’odham Community College, the Student Services Department, and by your instructor. Students may consult the TOCC Student Handbook sections on student code of conduct, on scholastic ethics and on the grade appeal procedure. Copies are available at Tohono O’odham Community College.

All work done for this class must be your own, or the original work of your group. While you may discuss assignments with other class members, the final written project must clearly be original. You may use work from books and other materials if it is properly cited. Copying from a book without proper reference or from a person under any circumstances will result in an “F” for the assignment, and at the instructor’s discretion, possibly an “F” for the course. If you are uncertain about proper citations ask your instructor or the librarian.

Course Feedback:

All assignments will be graded and returned to the students promptly, typically within a week after the assignment is closed for handing in. E-mail and phone messages will be returned within two days. A student or the instructor may request a student conference at any time during the semester. Quarterly grade reports will be provided to each student, either in person, by email or via the electronic system of Canvas.

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