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Course Number
HIST 2023

Course Title
United States History Since 1876

Course Description
This course is a general survey of the history of the United States from the end of Reconstruction to the present. BSTD 0113 or placement test.

College Mission
South Arkansas Community College promotes excellence in learning, teaching, and service; provides lifelong educational opportunities; and serves as a cultural, intellectual, and economic resource for the community.

College Wide Student Learner Outcomes
☒ Critical Thinking ☐ Responsibility ☒ Communication

ACTS Course ☒ Program Course ☐

ACTS Outcomes
I. The student will develop and utilize critical thinking and communications skills in order to gain a global and historical perspective.

Program Outcomes

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Unit Outcomes/ Competencies
I. A Rising Power
The Closing of the American Frontier (1864-1900)
Industrialization and the Union Labor Movement (1870-1900)
The Rise of the American City (1876-1900)
The Crisis of Rural America (1876-1896)
A New Manifest Destiny (1896-1917)
The Progressive Era (1901-1917)
Objectives: The key concepts of this section will be the treatment of Native Americans, the increasing strength of American industry, and the social and political impact of the nation's growing cities. Students should understand the causes and the effects of the economic, racial, and social inequities and the reform movements attempting to correct them. Students should understand how these events
continue to shape the politics of modern America and the world. Readings from selected articles and the Tindall and Shi text, pp. 559-741.

At the end of this unit, students should be able to:
1. Understand the treatment of Native Americans in this time period.
2. Identify factors strengthening American industry.
3. Describe the effects of changes in America’s cities.
4. Understand the causes and effects of the economic, racial, and social inequities of the times.
5. Identify the reform movements taking place in this time period.

II. War and Uncertain Peace
World War I (1914-1918)
A Return to Normalcy (1919-1929)
Herbert Hoover and the Great Depression (1929-1933)
Franklin Roosevelt and the New Deal (1933-1939)
World War II (1939-1945)

Objectives: Students should understand the causes and effects of the intense economic, political, and cultural upheaval of this period from World War I through the Depression and World War II. Readings from selected articles and the Tindall and Shi text, pp. 744-919.

At the end of this unit, students should be able to:
1. Describe the events surrounding World War I.
2. Identify the causes and effects of the economic, political, and cultural upheaval of the time period.
3. Explain the causes and effects of the Great Depression.
4. Identify the programs used to combat the Great Depression.
5. Describe the events surrounding World War II.

III. The Emergence of Modern America
Harry Truman and the Beginning of the Cold War (1945-1953)
The Affluent Society (1953-1961)
The Age of Idealism (1961-1969)
Crisis of Confidence (1974-1981)
The End of the Cold War and the New Century (1981-present)

Objectives: Students should understand the development of the standoff between the communist bloc and the democratic West and its effects on foreign and domestic affairs. Students should also understand the causes and course of the development of the civil rights movement, the Watergate scandal of 1972-1974, the rise of the Rust Belt and the Sun Belt in the 1970s and 1980s, the importance of technology in driving the social and economic trends of this period, and the new challenges facing the United States after the end of the Cold War in the 1990s. Readings from selected articles and the Tindall and Shi text, pp. 927-1139.

At the end of this unit, students should be able to:
1. Understand the development of the standoff between the communist bloc and the democratic West and its effects on foreign and domestic affairs.
2. Identify the causes and course of the development of the civil rights movement.
3. Identify the events surrounding the Watergate Scandal and the Vietnam War.
5. Describe the importance of technology in driving the social and economic trends of this period.
6. Identify the new challenges facing the United States after the end of the Cold War in the 1990s.

Assessment Description(s)
Assessments will be evaluated using the department rubric.

Materials and Technological Requirements:

Class Attendance Policy
Students are expected to attend all classes in which they are enrolled. If a student is absent from a class session, it is the student’s responsibility to make arrangements to complete or make up any work missed. No make-up work for missed classes will be allowed without the approval of the instructor. Students who enroll late must assume all responsibility for work missed. Classes not attended as a result of late enrollment may be counted toward excessive absences. Students not attending the entire class period may be counted absent for that period. An instructor may drop students with a grade of “WE” if students have been absent for an excessive number of days. Warning letters will be
sent to the students advising them of the consequences of nonattendance and urging them to contact their instructors immediately. Excessive absences are defined as follows:

**Regular Semester**
- Courses which meet once a week................................................................. 2 absences
- Courses that meet twice per week ............................................................. 3 absences
- Courses that meet four times per week .................................................... 5 absences

**Summer Session**
- Courses that meet four times per week in a five week session ..................... 3 absences
- Courses which meet two evenings per week in a 10 week session ................. 3 absences

Students enrolled in special programs or individualized instruction should contact their program director/instructor regarding specific attendance requirements for the program/course. Some of the selective-admission, health-science programs have specific criteria regarding attendance. Students are encouraged to refer to program policies in these matters.

**Jury Duty/Military/Official School Function**
Scheduled absences are those that occur due to college-related activities or as a result of summons to jury duty or military duty. Classes missed as a result of scheduled absences will not be counted as excessive absences if the instructor is notified and provided documentation prior to the absence(s). Make-up work for scheduled absences will be at the discretion of the instructor.

In all instances, documentation must be provided to the instructor within 24 hours of receipt. Documentation should come from an appropriate party on letterhead or other official stationery with a signature and contact information. Documentation should list the corresponding dates of the leave.

**Medical leave**
For medical-related absences, documentation must include written notice from the treating medical professional documenting time needed off related to medical reasons and time student may resume classes. The medical reason does not need to be listed on the documentation; the documentation must include only that there is a medical reason, the amount of time the student needs to be absent, and the time the student should be able to return to classes.

Students who elect to work at home while on excused leave must meet with their instructors to make arrangements to do so. Working on coursework while on medical leave is not a requirement but can be requested by students. If students request that they be allowed to work at home while on an excused leave, the instructor will make every reasonable effort to ensure that the student is able to do so.

For students who have a medical condition necessitating time off or accommodation:

1) They may work at home on assignments if they choose to if on medical leave approved by a medical professional
2) Receive appropriate accommodations related to coursework (i.e., excused from labs with potentially harmful chemicals, have a larger desk, etc.)
3) Resume their studies where they left off once they return to classes
4) Be allowed to make up any missed work related to medical leave
5) Receive incompletes on their transcripts until coursework is completed, according to the incomplete grade contract.
6) Be given a reasonable time frame in which to complete missed coursework

**Academic Honesty Policy**
Students enrolled at South Arkansas Community College are expected at all times to uphold standards of integrity.

Academic dishonesty includes cheating and plagiarism, which are defined as follows:

- **Cheating** is an attempt to deceive the instructor in his/her effort to evaluate fairly an academic exercise. Cheating includes copying another student’s homework, class work, or required project (in whole or in part) and/or presenting another’s work as the student’s own. Cheating also includes giving, receiving, offering, and/or soliciting information on a quiz, test, or examination.
- **Plagiarism** is the copying of any published work such as books, magazines, audiovisual programs, electronic media, and films or copying the theme or manuscript of another student. It is plagiarism when one uses direct quotations without proper credit or when one uses the ideas of another without giving proper credit. When three or more consecutive words are borrowed, the borrowing should be recognized by the use of quotation marks and proper parenthetical and bibliographic notations.

If, upon investigation, the instructor determines that the student is guilty of cheating or plagiarism, the following penalties will apply:
• The student will receive a penalty of no less than a zero on the work in question.
• The instructor will submit a Student Academic Misconduct Form, written report of the incident, to the appropriate dean.
• The dean will submit form to Vice President for Learning to determine disciplinary action.
• The Vice President for Learning will determine whether further disciplinary action will be taken.
• All decisions may be appealed for review through the college’s academic appeals procedure.

**Equal Opportunity-Affirmative Action Statement**
South Arkansas Community College does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, color, creed, gender, religion, marital status, veteran’s status, national origin, disability, or sexual orientation in making decisions regarding employment, student admission, or other functions, operations, or activities.

**Library Services**
Library Homepage: [http://southark.libguides.com/homepage](http://southark.libguides.com/homepage) Library Contact: LibraryStaff@southark.edu or 870.864.7115

**Procedures to Accommodate Students with Disabilities:**
If you need reasonable accommodations because of a disability, please report this to the Vice President of Student Services with proper documentation. VPSS Contact: 870.875.7262

**The Early Alert System**
In an effort to ensure student retention and success, South Arkansas Community College employs an Early Alert System to identify and support at-risk students as soon as possible in a given semester. The intent of Early Alert is to provide this assistance while there is still time to address behaviors or issues that have the potential of preventing students from completing their courses and degree plans. Students referred through the Early Alert System will be required to work on a corrective action plan with their student advising coach and to include attendance accountability and mandatory academic tutoring either in the academic division or in the Testing and Learning Center (TLC).

Once the Student Advising Coach has met with the referred student, and again when the student has met the prescribed corrective actions, the coach will update the Early Alert System so that the instructor is kept informed of the progress in resolving issues.

**Behavioral Review Team**
At South Arkansas Community College (SouthArk), we are committed to proactive leadership in student wellbeing and campus safety. By focusing on prevention and early intervention with campus situations that involve any person experiencing distress or engaging in harmful or disruptive behaviors, the BRT will serve as the coordinating hub of existing resources to develop intervention and support strategies and offer case management. Students, faculty, staff, and campus guests are encouraged to report any person on campus who is a concern. BRT Contact: 870.875.7262 BRT@southark.edu

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