

HIST 2606 - Turning Points in United States History 2

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Course Description

2606. Turning Points in United States History 2. Key episodes in the social, economic, political and cultural developments of the United States since 1877, exploring how diverse peoples shaped the growing nation. 3 s.h.

Course Readings

Group	Title	Author	ISBN
Required	U.S. History (OpenStax)	P. Scott Corbett, Ventura College Volker Janssen, California State University, Fullerton John M. Lund, Keene State College Todd Pfannestiel, Clarion University Sylvie Waskiewicz Paul Vickery, Oral Roberts University	978-1-947172-08-1
Required	Gospel of Wealth	Andrew Carnegie	
Required	Henry Demarest Lloyd	Critique Against Wealth	
Required	Populist Party Platform (1892)	Populist Party	
Required	Mongrelization of America		
Required	Chinese View of Statue of Liberty		
Required	The Melting Pot	Israel Zangwill	
Required	Yick Wo v. Hopkins		
Required	Be Just - Event to John Chinaman		
Required	Atlanta Compromise		
Required	Booker T Washington & His Critics		
Required	The New Negro		
Required	Chicago Defender Cartoon		
Required	Men & Women of the KKK		
Required	Clarence Darrow Speech		
Required	Roosevelt & the Holocaust		



Required	Dust Bowl Diary
Required	Eyewitness Account of Hiroshima
Required	Petition to President of United States
Required	Press Release on Atomic Bomb
Required	U.S. Strategic Bombing Survey
Required	Hiroshima Image
Required	Bigger Than a Hamburger
Required	Southern Manifesto
Required	Why No Chinese American Delinquents
Required	Prospectus for Mississippi Freedom Summer
Required	Letter Describing Freedom Summer Nancy Ellin
Required	White Southerners Respond to Freedom Summer
Required	Address to DNC
Required	Rise of the New Right
Required	Edward Snowden Interview
Required	Message from Director of 9/11 Museum
Required	Khaled Abou El Fadl
Required	Power of Freedom

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Course Schedule

Week of	Reading(s)	Proposed Topic	Due/To Prepare for Class
8/24	Youtube - Gilded Age Politics (Crash Course) U.S. History (OpenStax) - Ch(s) 18-20	Module 1: Industrial Revolution	Media Response #1 (Due: 08/30)
8/31	U.S. History (OpenStax) - Ch(s) 18-20 Carnegie - Gospel of Wealth Lloyd - Critique Against Wealth Populist Party Platform (1892)	Module 1: Industrial Revolution	Discussion #1 (Due: 09/06) Primary Source Analysis #1 (Due: 09/06)
9/7	U.S. History (OpenStax) - Ch(s) 18-20 Mongrelization of America Chinese View of Statue of Liberty The Melting Pot Yick Wo v. Hopkins Be Just - Event to John Chinaman	Module 1: Industrial Revolution	Essay #1 (Due: 09/13)
9/14	U.S. History (OpenStax) - Ch(s) 21-23 Youtube: The Progressive Era (Crash Course)	Module 2: Redefining Freedom	Media Response #2 (Due: 09/20)
9/21	U.S. History (OpenStax) - Ch(s) 21-23 Atlanta Compromise Booker T Washington & His Critics The New Negro	Module 2: Redefining Freedom	Discussion #2 (Due: 09/27) Primary Source Analysis (Due: 09/27)
9/28	U.S. History (OpenStax) - Ch(s) 21-23 Chicago Defender Cartoon Men & Women of the KKK Clarence Darrow Speech	Module 2: Redefining Freedom	Essay #2 (Due: 10/04)



10/5	U.S. History (OpenStax) - Ch(s) 25-27 Youtube - World War II (Crash Course)	Module 3: Era of Crisis	Media Response #3 (Due: 10/11)
10/12	U.S. History (OpenStax) - Ch(s) 25-27 Roosevelt & the Holocaust Dust Bowl Diary	Module 3: Era of Crisis	Discussion #3 (Due: 10/11) Primary Source Analysis #3 (Due: 10/11)
10/19	U.S. History (OpenStax) - Ch(s) 25-27 Eyewitness Account of Hiroshima Petition to President of United States Press Release on Atomic Bomb U.S. Strategic Bombing Survey Hiroshima Image	Module 3: Era of Crisis	Essay #3 (Due: 10/25)
10/26	U.S. History (OpenStax) - Ch(s) 28-30 Youtube - The Cold War (Crash Course)	Module 4: Freedom Movements	Media Response #4 (Due: 11/01)
11/2	U.S. History (OpenStax) - Ch(s) 28-30 Bigger Than a Hamburger Southern Manifesto	Module 4: Freedom Movements	Discussion #4 (Due: 11/08) Primary Source Analysis #4 (Due: 11/08)
11/9	U.S. History (OpenStax) - Ch(s) 28-30 Why No Chinese American Delinquents Prospectus for Mississippi Freedom Summer Letter Describing Freedom Summer White Southerners Respond to Freedom Summer Address to DNC	Module 4: Freedom Movements	Essay #4 (Due: 11/15)
11/16	U.S. History (OpenStax) - Ch(s) 30-32 Youtube - Obamanation (Crash Course)	Module 5: Conservatism & Globalization	Media Response #5 (Due: 11/22)
11/23	U.S. History (OpenStax) - Ch(s) 30-32	Module 5: Conservatism & Globalization (Thanksgiving Break)	No Assignments Due!
11/30	U.S. History (OpenStax) - Ch(s) 30-32 Rise of the New Right Edward Snowden Interview	Module 5: Conservatism & Globalization	Discussion #5 (Due: 12/06) Primary Source Analysis (Due: 12/06)
12/7	U.S. History (OpenStax) - Ch(s) 30-32 Message from Director of 9/11 Museum Khaled Abou El Fadl Power of Freedom	Finals Week	Essay #5 (Due: 12/10)

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