

Course Name: Western Civilization II

Course Number: HIS* 102

Credits: 3 Credit Hours

Catalog description:

This course examines major developments in Western Civilization from the advent of the modern world to the present. Particular emphasis is placed upon the post-Reformation emergence of the nation-state, Louis XIV, the Enlightenment, the French Revolution, the industrial revolution, modern imperialism, the growth of rivalry between the powers, and the development of new political philosophies which have helped to produce the existing international situation.

Prerequisite, Corequisite, or Parallel: ENG* 101

General Education Competencies Satisfied:

Additional CSCU General Education Requirements for CSCU Transfer Degree Programs:

⋈ HISX Historical Knowledge & Understanding

Discipline-Specific Attribute Code(s):

☒ SSCI Social Science elective

Course objectives:

General Education Goals and Outcomes:

☑ Historical Knowledge & Understanding (for CSCU Transfer Degree Programs): Students will study the interrelatedness of various realms of human experience from multiple historical perspectives.

Course Specific Objectives:

- 1. Gain an appreciation and understanding of our civilization through analysis of its development from the seventeenth century to 1970.
- 2. Explore both similarities and variations brought about by the differing histories and the peoples of Europe.
- 3. Develop an appreciation for the contributions of other civilizations by their interaction with the west through its history.



Course Content:

- 1. Divine-Right monarchy in France and England
- 2. Early economic revolutions
- 3. The old and new powers and wars of the 18th Century
- 4. The Enlightenment
- 5. The French Revolution
- 6. The Napoleonic Era
- 7. Romanticism and the age of Metternick
- 9. Developments in France. Italy, Germany, the Hapsburg Empire and Russia 1848 to 1914
- 10. Great Britain and imperialism from 1815-1914
- 11. World War 1 and the Russian Revolution of 1917
- 12. Fascism and Communism
- 13. Western democracies between wars
- 14. World War II and its aftermath

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