

Course Syllabus: World History

Course Description

A survey course beginning with the earliest civilizations and highlighting important developments throughout the world until the early 21st century. The course includes topics related to Early Civilizations and Classical Empires; Growth, Expansion, and the Emergence of the Modern World; Global Interaction and Conflict; and the Contemporary World.

This course may have three sections: World History A is the first half of the course and includes Modules 1-4. World History B is the second half of the course and includes Modules 5-8. World History Y is the entire course and includes Modules 1-8.

Course Framework

See attached chart

Textbook

There is no required textbook for this course. All course content is digital and available in the online course modules.

Prerequisites

There are no prerequisite requirements for this course. It is recommended that students have taken and earned credit in World Geography, Honors World Geography, or AP Human Geography. Knowledge in the following areas would support student success in World History:

- Why physical characteristics of place such as landforms, bodies of water, climate, and natural resources act as contributing factors to world settlement patterns.
- How the physical and human characteristics of places and regions are connected to human identities and cultures.
- How cooperation and conflict among people influence the division and control of the earth's surface
- The characteristics, spatial distribution, and migration of human populations on the earth's surface.
- Human interactions with the world's environments
- The spatial distribution of major economic systems and the role geography plays in economic development

Course Participation Policy

Students should follow the Course Schedule (located in Course Information area of course) and all course work must be submitted no later than 11:59 PM on the due date. Work submitted by the due date will be graded within 48 hours of submission.

After the due date has passed, instructors will enter zeros in the Grade Center for work not submitted by the deadline. During student breaks and towards the end of the semester, students may have the opportunity to improve their course grade by completing and submitting work with grades of zero from earlier in the semester. Zeros will remain in the Grade Center until course work is submitted and evaluated by the instructor.

The CVA term ends prior to the end of the traditional school semester. The final date work will be accepted each term is posted on the CVA website (www.cobbvirtualacademy.org).

Grading

All assignments, discussion boards, and tests are worth 100 points. Grades for the course are calculated based on category percentages as follows:

Assignments = 50%
Discussion Boards = 15%
Tests = 25%
Final Exam/EOC = 10%

Academic Integrity

Academic integrity is the cornerstone of learning at CVA and we take the integrity and authenticity of student work very seriously. When academic integrity is maintained, students will make decisions based on values that will prepare them to be productive, meaningful, and ethical citizens.

Students are required to abide by the CVA Academic Integrity Policy. Academic dishonesty in any form will not be tolerated. The CVA Academic Integrity Policy outlines the consequences if students fail to maintain academic integrity in their course. For additional information, the CVA Academic Integrity Policy is posted on the CVA website.

Additional General Information

- Students must complete the mandatory online CVA Student Orientation each term before any
 course work will be graded by the instructor. Only one Student Orientation is completed each
 term
- All course work must be submitted through Blackboard in the format requested. Students should have access to Microsoft Office and submit assignments in that format. All CCSD students have access to the Office 365 Suite. Assignments submitted through email will not be accepted.
- The Grade before Final Exam/EOC column in the student Grade Center shows the current grade for the course and is automatically calculated.

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Cobb Virtual Academy World History Framework								
adapted from the World History Cobb Teaching and Learning Framework 2017-2018								
Module 1	Module 2	Module 3	Module 4	Module 5	Module 6	Module 7	Module 8	
Rise of	Emergence of	Great Empires of	The Birth of New	Discovery and	Reason and	The World at War	Globalization & the	
Civilizations	Classical Empires	the World	Ideas	Expansion	Revolutions	What are the	Modern Era	
What factors	How does a	What aspects can	What social,	What are the	How have	global impacts	How have political	
shape the	civilization's culture	contribute to the	economic, and	causes and effects	revolutions	(social, political,	and economic	
development of	spread and impact	rise and fall of	political factors	of exploration and	changed history?	and economic) of	changes connected	
civilizations?	future civilizations?	empires?	sparked change?	expansion?		World War?	the world?	
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4 weeks)	4 weeks)	6 weeks)	4 weeks)	4 weeks)	4 weeks)	weeks)	week/Traditional 2	
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Connecting Themes: Conflict/Change, Culture, Governance, Individuals, Groups, and Institutions, Location, Movement/Migration, Technological Innovations, and Change Over Time

Map Skills: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12

Information Processing Skills: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17

Reading Standards: L9-10RHSS1, L9-10RHSS2, L9-10RHSS3, L9-10RHSS4, L9-10RHSS5, L9-10RHSS6, L9-10RHSS7, L9-10RHSS8, L9-10RHSS9, L9-10RHSS10

Writing Standards: L9-10WHST1, L9-10WHST2, L9-10WHST3, L9-10WHST4, L9-10WHST5, L9-10WHST6, L9-10WHST7, L9-10WHST8, L9-10WHST9, L9-10WHST10

Historical Understandings/Course Objectives							
SSWH1: Analyze	SSWH2: Identify the	SSWH4: Analyze	SSWH7: Analyze	SSWH10: Analyze	SSWH13: Examine	SSWH16: Analyze	SSWH20:
the origins,	major	impact of the	European medieval	the causes and	the intellectual,	the rise of	Demonstrate an
structures, and	achievements of	Byzantine and	society with regard	effects of	political, social,	nationalism and	understanding of the
interactions of	Chinese and Indian	Mongol empires.	to culture, politics,	exploration and	and economic	worldwide	global social,
societies in the	societies to 500	SSWH5: Examine	society, and	expansion into the	factors that	imperialism.	economic, and
ancient world	CE/AD.	the political,	economics.	Americas, Africa,	changed the world	SSWH17:	political impact of
from 3500 BCE/BC	SSWH3: Examine	economic, and	SSWH9: Analyze	and Asia.	view of Europeans	Demonstrate an	the Cold War and
to 500 BCE/BC.	the political,	cultural	change and	SSWH11: Examine	from the sixteenth	understanding of	decolonization from
	philosophical, and	interactions within	continuity in the	political and social	century CE/AD to	long-term causes	1945 to 1989.
	cultural interaction	the Medieval	Renaissance and	changes in Japan	the late	of World War I	SSWH21: Examine
	of Classical	Mediterranean	Reformation.	and in China from	eighteenth	and its global	change and
	Mediterranean	World between		the fourteenth	century CE/AD.	impact.	continuity in the
	societies from 700	600 CE/AD and		century CE/AD to	SSWH14: Analyze	66141140 5	world since the
	BCE/BC to 400	1300 CE/AD.		mid-nineteenth	the Age of	SSWH18: Examine	1960s.
	CE/AD.	SSWH6: Describe		century CE/AD	Revolutions.	the major political	SSWH22: Analyze
		the diverse		SSWH12: Describe	SSWH15: Describe	and economic	globalization in the
		characteristics of		the development	the impact of	factors that	contemporary
		early African		and contributions	industrialization	shaped world	world.
		societies before		of the Ottoman,	and urbanization	societies between	
		1500 CE/AD.		Safavid, and		World War I and	
				Mughal empires.		World War II.	
				SSWH8: Describe		SSWH19:	
				the diverse		Demonstrate an	
				characteristics of		understanding of	

	societies in	the global	
	Central and South	political,	
	America	economic, and	
		social impact of	
		World War II.	