

Murrieta Valley Unified School District
High School Course Outline
April 2011

Department: Social Science

Course Title: Modern World History

Course Number: 1501

Grade Level: 10

Length of Course: Year

Prerequisites: None.

UC/CSU (A-F) Requirement: A

I. Goals

The students will:

- A. Relate the moral and ethical principles in ancient Greek and Roman philosophy Judaism and Christianity to the development of Western Political thought.
- B. Compare and contrast the Glorious Revolution of England, the American Revolution, and the French Revolution and their enduring effects on the world-wide political expectations for self-government and individual liberty.
- C. Analyze the effects of the Industrial Revolution in England, France, Germany, Japan and the United States.
- D. Analyze patterns of global change in the era of New Imperialism in at least two of the following regions or countries: Africa, Southeast Asia, China, India, Latin America and the Philippines.
- E. Investigate the rise of Totalitarian governments.
- F. Analyze the causes, course and effects of the First World War.
- G. Analyze the causes and consequences of the Second World War.
- H. Investigate the international developments in the postwar world.
- I. Analyze instances of nation building in the contemporary world in two of the following regions or countries: The Middle East, Africa, Mexico and other parts of Latin America, or China.

- J. World Economy (CA Std. 10.11) Analyze the integration of countries into the world economy and the information, technological, and communications revolutions.

This course is consistent with the California State Social Science Framework.

II. Outline of Content for Major Areas of Study

Semester I

- A. Democratic Ideas
 - 1. Ancient Greece and the development of the western political thought
 - 2. Judeo-Christian philosophy
- B. Enlightenment
 - 1. World revolutions
- C. Industrial Revolution
 - 1. Industrial Revolution in England, France, Germany, Japan and the United States.
- D. Imperialism
 - 1. New Imperialism in Africa, China and Latin America

Semester II

- A. World War I
 - 1. Main Causes
 - 2. Major Theatres / Battles
 - 3. Treaty of Versailles
 - 4. Wilsonianism
 - 5. League of Nations
 - 6. Russian Revolution
- B. World War II
 - 1. Main causes
 - 2. Major Theatres / Battles
 - 3. Stalin, Hitler and Mussolini
 - a. Human costs of Totalitarian Regimes
 - 4. Appeasement and Isolationism
 - 5. Allied and Axis Powers
 - 6. Political, diplomatic and military leadership
- C. Restructuring Postwar World
 - 1. Main causes and events
 - 2. Nuclear power
 - 3. Chinese Civil War
 - 4. Competition for influence

5. Eastern versus Western blocks
6. Truman Doctrine and Marshall Plan
7. Collapse of Soviet Union
8. Establishment of UN, Warsaw Pact, SEATO and NATO

- D. Nation Building and Global Interdependence
1. Contemporary World
 2. Middle East, China and Latin America
 3. United States as a world power and the United States Economy
 4. World Communications and Economy

III. Accountability Determinants

- A. Free response questions
- B. Document based questions
- C. Multiple choice tests
- D. Timed essays
- E. In class assignments
- F. Homework
- G. Research projects and presentations

IV. Required Text

Modern World History, Patterns of Interaction. McDougal Littell et. al. Evanston, Illinois: McDougal Littell, 2006.

V. Supplementary Materials

Primary Source Documents