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AP World History: Modern
Course Info

AP World History: Modern is a college level course that explores world history from about 1200 CE to the present. In this course, you will learn how people, societies, and ideas have changed over time and how different parts of the world are connected. You will practice reading and analyzing historical sources, making connections between time periods and places, and building strong historical arguments. Throughout the year, we will study major themes such as the environment, culture, government, economics, social structures, and technology.

- Unit 0. Prologue (Before 1200)
- Unit 1. The Global Tapestry (1200-1450)
- Unit 2. Networks of Exchange (1200-1450)
- Unit 3. Land-Based Empires (1450-1750)
- Unit 4. Transoceanic Interconnections (1450-1750)
- Unit 5. Revolutions (1750-1900)
- Unit 6. Consequences of Industrialization (1750-1900)
- Unit 7. Global Conflict (1900-Present)
- Unit 8. Cold War and Decolonization (1900-Present)
- Unit 9. Globalization (1900-Present)

As an AP course, this is a rigorous, college-level course. The reading is challenging; the writing is frequent and requires an independent mind. We will function as a community of learners who share perspectives and evaluate our own work, and the work of others.

Remind

Students are encouraged to join Remind for course updates and reminders. I will use Remind to share important information about homework, upcoming tests and quizzes, due dates, and other class announcements. Remind is an additional way to stay informed, but students are still responsible for checking Google Classroom & PowerSchool regularly for assignments and course materials. To join, follow the class Remind link below:

https://www.remind.com/join/gc8e97

Student Outcomes & Goals

Self Advocate: YOU are taking this course! Meaning, you should advocate for yourself by asking questions, seeking clarification, communicating about absences, checking on your grade, and asking for help when needed.. Be an active participant in your own learning. The more involved you are, the more successful you will be.

Manage Your Time Effectively: This is a college level course, which means you will need to balance reading, writing, studying, and critical analysis throughout the year. Make connections to the material, stay on top of deadlines, and avoid procrastination. The skills you develop in this course will help prepare you for future academic and professional opportunities.

In AP World History: Modern, you will learn how to:

- Analyze primary and secondary sources
- Identify an author's point of view, purpose, audience, and historical situation
- Compare societies, regions, and time periods
- Explain causes and effects of major historical events and developments
- Identify patterns of continuity and change over time
- Make connections across different regions and time periods
- Use historical evidence to support ideas and arguments
- Write clear thesis statements and organized historical responses
- Explain the significance of historical evidence
- Develop arguments similar to those used on the AP exam
- Read challenging texts closely and carefully
- Take useful notes and study over time
- Participate in class discussions using evidence and historical reasoning
- Use feedback to improve their understanding and skills

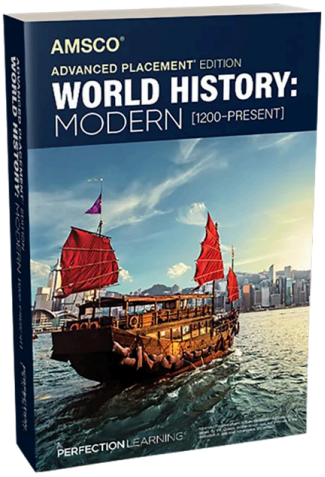
Students enrolled in AP World History: Modern are expected to take the College Board AP World History: Modern exam at the end of the school year. The exam date is TBD.

Grading Scale

Classwork / Participation	15 %
Homework	15%
Minor Assessments	30%
Major Assessments	40%

Textbook

You will also need to purchase the **physical textbook**, which can be found here: [Advanced Placement® Edition World History: Modern (1200–Present)]



Course Materials

Materials:

- Three-ring binder (2-inch)
- Dividers for binder (set of 10)
- Assorted writing instruments
- Multi-colored highlighters
- Sticky notes and index cards
- Fully powered Chromebook
- Textbook

You will need a large three-ring binder. The binder will need 10 dividers, one per unit. This binder will be for AP World History: Modern only (binder checks will be a test grade in PowerSchool).

Please reach out as soon as possible if purchasing the textbook (or any other materials) is a concern. You will need access to the textbook in order to complete the summer homework.

AP Exam Information

Section	Question Type	Number of Questions	Exam Weighting	Timing
1A	Multiple Choice	55	40% of score	55 minutes
1B	Short Answer	3	20% of score	40 minutes
2	Free Response	2	40% of score	1 hour 40 minutes

General Information

Academic Integrity

As a member of the Gilbert school community, students are expected to adhere to all rules regarding academic honesty, plagiarism and AI use. Disciplinary action, including, but not limited to, the student receiving a failing grade for the course and/or direct referrals to the principal will be taken if necessary.

Late Work Policy

Assignments are considered on time if they are ready to be handed in at the start of class. Students may turn their homework up to one day late for ½ credit. After that, the assignment grade will be a zero. Exceptions may be made if there are extenuating circumstances.

Gilbert Attendance Policy

Students are responsible for making up all work missed due to an absence. If absent, students should check Google Classroom, obtain any missed notes or assignments, and arrange to make up any quizzes or tests. Homework that was due during the absence should be submitted as soon as possible. For anticipated absences, such as athletic events, appointments, or family obligations, students should speak with me in advance. Students will generally be given the same number of days to complete make-up work as the number of days they were absent (additional time may be granted). Because this course moves at a fast pace, students are encouraged to complete make-up work ASAP to avoid falling behind. Google Classroom should be used regularly to access course materials.

This syllabus is subject to change as needed to best support the goals of the course. Any revisions will be communicated to students in class and/or through course materials with reasonable advance notice.