Course Information
Division: Humanities/Social Sciences
Contact Hours: 45
Total Credits: 3

Prerequisite
ENGL 090 and RDG 090 or qualifying scores on accepted placement tests

Course Description
This course introduces the social, economic, and cultural development of world history from its beginning to 1500. It emphasizes the formation of world empires and imperialism, contours of world religions, and the movement of goods and people from a comparative perspective. This course is a satisfier course for the Global Studies Degree Designation.

This course is approved as a General Education competency satisfier.

General Education Goal: Social and Cultural Awareness
Competency: Understand the processes that influence human values, thoughts, social systems, and behavior.
Learning Outcome: Students will examine the impact of social factors on personal beliefs, while considering alternatives to the dominate culture’s viewpoint.

General Education Learning Objectives
A. Recognize the processes by which individuals acquire social knowledge attitudes and beliefs.
B. Recognize major influences on social behavior and social systems.
C. Demonstrate knowledge of human diversity including characteristics of culture outside of the student’s own.
D. Demonstrate knowledge of at least one systematic method for obtaining knowledge about social influences according to a recognized social science discipline.

Course Outcomes
In order to evidence success in this course, the students will be able to:

1. Define civilization and culture
   Applies to General Education Objective
   A. Recognize the processes by which individuals acquire social knowledge attitudes and beliefs.

2. Recognize and explain the significance of the key agents of socialization with emphasis on long distance trade, contributions of world religion.
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3. Analyze key differences in societies across cultures emphasizing the social, economic, and cultural systems peculiar to each region of the world and their complex interactions.

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4. Explain the relevance of world history to the making of the contemporary world.

   **Applies to General Education Objectives**
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5. Describe some characteristics of major world cultures.

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6. Recognize the fundamental ideas and terminologies in world history.

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Course Outcome Summary

General Education Satisfier Course

HIST 158 World History to 1500