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| *Course Title:* | US History II-US History from 1865 | | | | | |
| *Course Prefix & Number:* | | 1302 | *Section Number:* | 233 | *Semester/Year:* | Winter 2020 |
| *Semester Credit Hours:* | | 3 | *Lecture Hours:* | 3 | *Lab Hours:* | 0 |
| *Course Description (NCTC Catalog):*  A survey of the social, political, economic, cultural, and intellectual history of the United States from the Civil War/Reconstruction era to the present. United States History II examines industrialization, immigration, world wars, the Great Depression, Cold War and post-Cold War eras. Themes that may be addressed in United States History II include: American culture, religion, civil and human rights, technological change, economic change, immigration and migration, urbanization and suburbanization, the expansion of the federal government, and the study of U.S. foreign policy. | | | | | | |
| *Course Prerequisite(s):* none | | | | | | |
| *Required Course Materials:*  Brinkley, Alan. *The Unfinished Nation: A Concise History of the American People*.  9th edition.  McGraw-Hill. 2019.  ISBN 978-1259912535.  ***The web-based material is unique to NCTC.  You must purchase it from the NCTC bookstore or directly through Canvas, to the McGraw-Hill publishing Connect website.*** | | | | | | |
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**INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION**

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| *Name of Instructor:* | Professor Charles Adams |
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**OFFICE HOURS**

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| *Monday* | *Tuesday* | *Wednesday* | *Thursday* | *Friday* |
| **Available at almost any time by appointment (Request WebEx conference)** | | | | |

**STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES** (From Academic Course Guide Manual/Workforce Education Course Manual/NCTC Catalog

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| *At the successful completion of this course the student will be able to:* | |
|  | Create an argument through the use of historical evidence. |
|  | Analyze and interpret primary and secondary sources. |
|  | Analyze the effects of historical, social, political, economic, cultural, and global forces on this period of United States history. |

**GRADING CRITERIA**

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| *# of Graded Course Elements* | *Graded Course Elements* | *Percentage or Point Values* | *Due Dates* |
| 15 | Weekly Topic Quizzes | 150 (15\*10) | 11:59pm 13 January 2021 |
| 1 | Researching Primary and Secondary Sources | 100 | 11:59pm 27 December 2020 |
| 1 | Essay - Thesis Statement | 50 | 11:59pm 27 December 2020 |
| 1 | Midterm Examination | 200 | 11:59pm 3 January 2021 |
| 1 | Essay | 100 | 11:59pm 10 January 2021 |
| 1 | Movie Review | 50 | 11:59pm 10 January 2021 |
| 15 | Chapter Quizzes | 150 (15\*10) | 11:59pm 13 January 2021 |
| 1 | Final Examination | 200 | 11:59pm 14 January 2021 |
|  | Total Points | 1000 |  |

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| **Final Grade** | **Total Percent/Points Earned** |
| **A** | **89.5%-100% / 895-1000** |
| **B** | **79.5%-89.4% / 795-894** |
| **C** | **69.5%-79.4% / 695-794** |
| **D** | **59.5%-69.4% / 595-694** |
| **F** | **0%-59.4% / 0-594** |

**\*Remember this is a 1000 point class.  Your final percentage is based on the points earned.  Canvas' calculated percentage may be off a few tenths**

**LATE WORK POLICY**

**BE SURE TO PAY CLOSE ATTENTION TO DEADLINES!!**

**Make ups will not be scheduled without a serious and compelling reason and the Instructor’s approval**.  Be aware that any granted make-up may, solely at the discretion of the Instructor, be a different format than the regularly scheduled item (i.e.  Make up exams may be composed entirely of essay questions as opposed to multiple-choice).

**ATTENDANCE POLICY**

Regular and punctual attendance is expected of all students in all classes for which they have registered.  All absences are considered to be unauthorized unless the student is absent due to illness or emergencies as determined by the instructor.  For online classes it is equally important that the student checks in with the class on a regular basis and keeps up with the assigned lecture and any interactive discussions.  It is the student responsibility to provide documentation as to the emergency for approval and judgement by the faculty member.  Approved college sponsored activities are the only absences for which a student should not be held liable and only when provided by a college official ahead of the absence.  Valid reasons for absence, however, do not relieve the student of the responsibility for making up required work.  Students will not be allowed to make up an examination missed due to absence unless they have reasons acceptable to the instructor.  A student who is compelled to be absent when a test is given should petition the instructor, in advance if possible, for permission to postpone the exam.  Student will be dropped from a class by the Registrar upon recommendation of the instructor who feels the student has been justifiably absent or tardy a sufficient number of times to preclude meeting the course’s objectives.    Persistent, unjustified absences from classes or laboratories will be considered sufficient cause for College officials to drop a student from the rolls of the College.

Last day to withdraw from a course with a “W” is \_**2 November 2020**.

**COVID-19 SPECIFIC POLICIES:**

**Conversion of Onsite Classes to Online/Remote Format:**

North Central Texas College students should be aware that in the even of a college closure due to COVID-19, onsite classes will be converted to an online/remote format.  Students should plan ahead to ensure they have access to the computer equipment (either PC, Mac, or tablet), webcam, and internet connectivity to continue their classes in an online/remote format.  Please read all your official North Central Texas College student e-mails as the transition from onsite to online/remote might require reorganization in your personal situation.  Students will be granted a 72-hour transition and grace period.  Online classes will continue as scheduled without disruption.  Wear a mast, stay safe, and contact your Instructor as the situation arises.  These policies and procedures were updated on 30 July 2020 and are subject to change.

**Policy Regarding Face Coverings:**

Per the North Central Texas College guidance on face coverings on campus, in the instructional setting, faculty, and students must wear face coverings, such as masks or face shields.  Students without coverings, or those who do not comply with the rules relating to face coverings, will not be able to participate in on-campus classroom activities.  To request an exception to this requirement, students should contact the NCTC HR Office of Enrollment Management ([ccove@nctc.edu](mailto:ccove@nctc.edu)).  Failure to comply with the face coverings requirements may result in the Instructor directing the student to leave the classroom.  Any student asked to leave the classroom may be referred to the student conduct officer.  These policies and procedures were updated on 30 July 2020 and are subject to change.

**Temporary COVID-19 Attendance Policy for Face-to-Face Meetings:**

We are facing an unprecedented situation in which all of us must be flexible and make prudent decisions in the best interest of our families, our campus, and our community.  In light of this, North Central Texas College is temporarily establishing the requirement that faculty keep records of student attendance for face-to-face course meetings as well as a documented seating chart.  In addition, students who are sick or need to quarantine should not attend classes.  Students will not be required to provide formal documentation from a health care provider and will not be penalized for COVID-19 related absences when proper notification to campus health official is made.

**CLASSROOM DECORUM**

Disruptive students in the academic setting hinder the educational process. Examples include, but are not limited to persistently speaking without being recognized or interrupting other speakers; behavior that distracts the class from the subject matter or discussion; or in extreme cases, physical threats, harassing behavior or personal insults, or refusal to comply with faculty direction. Any behavior that adversely affects the normal educational functioning or the professional standards of the class may result in failure for the course.

In face to face classes, cell phones/ smart phones are a significant distraction and **MUST BE TURNED OFF** or **PUT IN SILENT MODE** (VIBRATE MODE IS NOT ACCEPTABLE) prior to coming to class. Do not answer phones during class. **Do not text during class**. If you are expecting an emergency phone call, you MUST make arrangements with your instructor prior to class. Those using a cell phone MUST leave the classroom for the remainder of the class period. Laptops and tablets are permitted for note taking during lecture only. Computers and tablets may be used in class for note taking ONLY.  Students who are obviously using these for other purposes will be asked to shut them off and will no longer be allowed to bring them into class.  **Headphones of any kind are strictly forbidden**.  Students who repeatedly violate this policy may be dropped from the class.

**DISABILITY SERVICES** (Office for Students with Disabilities)

The **Office for Students with Disabilities** (OSD) provides support services for students with disabilities, students enrolled in technical areas of study, and students who are classified as special populations (i.e. single parents).

Support services for students with disabilities might include appropriate and reasonable accommodations, or they may be in the form of personal counseling, academic counseling, career counseling, etc.  Furthermore, OSD Counselors work with students to encourage self-advocacy and promote empowerment. The Counselors also provides resource information, disability-related information, and adaptive technology for students who qualify.

For support, please contact the counselors at **(940) 498-6207** or **(940) 668-4321**.  Alternatively, students may stop by Room 170 in Corinth or Room 110 in Gainesville.

**CORE CURRICULUM FOUNDATIONAL COMPONENT AREA** (For classes in the Core)\_

o         Communication

o         Mathematics

o         Life and Physical Science

o         Language, Philosophy & Culture

o         Creative Arts

o         Government/Political Science

o         Social and Behavioral Sciences

o         Component Area Option

X         History

**REQUIRED CORE OBJECTIVES** (For classes in the Core)

X             Critical Thinking

X            Communication

o           Empirical and Quantitative

o           Teamwork

X            Personal Responsibility

X            Social Responsibility

**COURSE TYPE**

X            Academic General Education Course (from ACGM but not in NCTC Core)

**o** Academic NCTC Core Curriculum Course

**o** WECM Course

**STUDENT HANDBOOK**

Students are expected to follow all rules and regulations found in the student handbook and published online.

**ACADEMIC DISHONESTY**

Scholastic dishonesty shall include, but is not limited to cheating, plagiarism, academic falsification, intellectual property dishonesty, academic dishonesty facilitation and collusion.  Faculty members may document and bring charges against a student who is engaged in or is suspected to be engaged in academic dishonesty.  See Student Handbook, “Student Rights & Responsibilities: Student Conduct ([FLB(LOCAL)]”.

**QUESTIONS, CONCERNS, or COMPLAINTS**

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