

McLennan C O M M U N I T Y C O L L E G E

WACO, TEXAS

COURSE SYLLABUS AND INSTRUCTOR PLAN

United States History 1

HIST 1301.11

M. Flowers

NOTE: This is a 16-week course.

COVID 19 Notice:

McLennan Community College is committed to providing you with every resource you need to reach your academic goals. We are also concerned for your safety. We are working through COVID-19 guidelines to make sure we offer a safe environment for you and our faculty. This will include smaller class sizes to manage social distancing and proper cleaning techniques. You will have the advantage of a physical classroom experience but may also need to work part of the time online as we adjust to limited classroom capacity. This will also allow us the flexibility to move online if so directed by federal, state and/or local COVID 19 guidelines. Faculty and staff are preparing now to ensure that you have the best experience in the midst of these uncertain times.

Course Description:

Surveys the growth of the United States beginning with an examination of Europe on the eve of colonization, the establishment of the American colonies, the struggle for independence, westward expansion, the strengthening of nationalism, the growing problem of sectionalism, the Civil War, and the post-war South.

Prerequisites and/or Corequisites:

Prerequisite: TASP or MCC Placement Test reading passed or credit for READ 0302. Semester Hours 3 (3 lec)

Instructor Information:

Instructor Melody Flowers:

MCC Email: mflowers@mclennan.edu

Office Phone Number: 254.299.8943

Office Location: MAC# 231

Office/Teacher Conference Hours: Please see office door for semester office hours.

Required Text & Materials:

Title: *Exploring American Histories: Vol 1 Value Edition with Launchpad code*

Author: Hewitt and Larsen

Edition: 3rd

Publisher: Macmillian

MCC Bookstore Website: <http://www.mclennan.edu/bookstore/>

Methods of Teaching and Learning:

Some, but not all of these methods will be used in this course. Lecture, discussion groups, group projects, field trips, lab exercises, projects, service learning assignments, student performances/presentations, written reports/papers, exams, quizzes, and/or tutorial software.

Course Objectives and/or Competencies:

Skill Set One (Core Curriculum Objectives)

- **Critical Thinking** - to include creative thinking, innovation, inquiry, and analysis, evaluation and synthesis of information (CTS)
- **Communication** - to include effective development, interpretation and expression of ideas through written, oral and visual communication (CS)
- **Personal Responsibility** - to include the ability to connect choices, actions and consequences to ethical decision-making (PR)

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- **Social Responsibility:** to include intercultural competence, knowledge of civic responsibility, and the ability to engage effectively in regional, national, and global communities **(SR)**

Skill Set Two (Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Learning Outcomes)

- Creating an argument through the use of historical evidence.
- Analyzing and interpreting primary and secondary sources.
- Analyzing the effects of historical, social, political, economic, cultural, and global forces on this period of United States history.

Course Outline or Schedule:

WEEK ONE

Lecture (Historiography)

WEEK TWO

Lecture
SWA (Short Written Assignment) 1 Due & Lecture

WEEK THREE

Lecture & Launchpad (LP) ch 3
Lecture

WEEK FOUR

Lecture & LP ch 4
SWA 2 Due & Lecture

WEEK FIVE

Lecture & LP ch 5
Lecture

WEEK SIX

Lecture & LP ch 6
SWA 3 Due

WEEK SEVEN

Lecture & LP ch 7
Kahoot Questions writing in class

WEEK EIGHT

Kahoot Quiz in class and Lecture
SWA 4 Due & Lecture

WEEK NINE

Lecture & LP ch 9

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	Lecture
WEEK TEN	Lecture & LP ch 10 SWA 5 Due & Lecture
WEEK ELEVEN	Lecture & LP ch 11 & Lecture
WEEK TWELVE	Lecture & LP ch 12 SWA 6 Due & Lecture
WEEK THIRTEEN	Lecture & LP ch 13 Lecture
WEEK FOURTEEN	Kahoot Question Writing in class THANKSGIVING-No class
WEEK FIFTEEN	Kahoot Quiz in Class
SEE MCC SCHEDULE	FINAL Project Presentations

Course Grading Information:

Total Points for Course Grade

900-1000=A

800-899=B

700-799=C

600-699=D

599 and below= F

Point Breakdown

Launchpad (10)	300 Points (30 points each)
Written Assignments (6)	300 Points (50 points each)
Individual Project	200 Points
Engagement Level	100 Points (Please see points explained below)
Kahoot Question Writing	50 Points (25 points each)
Kahoot Quizzes (2)	50 Points (25 points each)

Late Work, Attendance, and Make Up Work Policies:

Make Up Work-you may turn in **one late** Short Written Assignment. Also, if you miss the deadline for a Learningcurve module I will have ONE make-up assignment available for those missed points. Other than these two make up assignments there is no other accepted late work for the course.

*** Click Here for the MCC Academic Integrity Statement**

(www.mclennan.edu/academic-integrity)

The link above will provide you with information about academic integrity, dishonesty, and cheating.

*** Click Here for the MCC Attendance/Absences Policy**

(<https://www.mclennan.edu/highlander-guide/policies.html>)

Click on the link above for the college policies on attendance and absences. Your instructor may have additional guidelines specific to this course.

**** You will need to access each link separately through your Web browser (for example: Mozilla Firefox, Chrome, Microsoft Edge or Safari) to print each link's information.***

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ACADEMIC RESOURCES/POLICIES

Accommodations/ADA Statement:

Any student who is a qualified individual with a disability may request reasonable accommodations to assist with providing equal access to educational opportunities. Students should contact the Accommodations Coordinator as soon as possible to provide documentation and make necessary arrangements. Once that process is completed, appropriate verification will be provided to the student and instructor. Please note that instructors are not required to provide classroom accommodations to students until appropriate verification has been provided by the Accommodations Coordinator. For additional information, please visit <https://www.mclennan.edu/disability/>.

Students with questions or who require assistance with disabilities involving physical, classroom, or testing accommodations should contact:

disabilities@mclennan.edu

254-299-8122

Room 319, Student Services Center

Title IX:

We care about your safety, and value an environment where students and instructors can successfully teach and learn together. If you or someone you know experiences unwelcomed behavior, we are here to help. Individuals who would like to report an incident of sexual misconduct are encouraged to immediately contact the Title IX Coordinator at titleix@mclennan.edu or by calling Dr. Drew Canham (Chief of Staff for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion/Title IX) at (254) 299-8645. Individuals also may contact the MCC Police Department at 299-8911 or the MCC Student Counseling Center at MCC at (254) 299-8210. The MCC Student Counseling Center is a confidential resource for students. Any student or employee may report sexual harassment anonymously by visiting <https://www.lighthouse-services.com/mclennan/incidentLandingPageV2-MCC.asp>.

Go to McLennan's Title IX webpage at <https://www.mclennan.edu/titleix/>. It contains more information about definitions, reporting, confidentiality, resources, and what to do if you

or someone you know is a victim of sexual misconduct, gender-based violence or the crimes of rape, acquaintance rape, sexual assault, sexual harassment, stalking, dating violence, or domestic violence.

Student Support/Resources:

MCC provides a variety of services to support student success in the classroom and in your academic pursuits to include counseling, tutors, technology help desk, advising, financial aid, etc. A listing of these and the many other services available to our students is available at <http://www.mclennan.edu/campus-resource-guide/>.

College personnel recognize that food, housing, and transportation are essential for student success. If you are having trouble securing these resources or want to explore strategies for balancing life and school, we encourage you to contact a Success Coach by calling (254) 299-8226 or emailing SuccessCoach@mclennan.edu. Students may visit the Completion Center Monday-Friday from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. to schedule a meeting with a Success Coach and receive additional resources and support to help reach academic and personal goals. Paulanne's Pantry (MCC's food pantry) provides free food by appointment to students, faculty and staff based on household size. Text (254) 870-7573 to schedule a pantry appointment. The Completion Center and pantry are located on the Second Floor of the Student Services Center (SSC).

MCC Foundation Emergency Grant Fund:

Unanticipated expenses, such as car repairs, medical bills, housing, or job loss can affect us all. Should an unexpected expense arise, the MCC Foundation has an emergency grant fund that may be able to assist you. Please go to <https://www.mclennan.edu/foundation/scholarships-and-resources/emergencygrant.html> to find out more about the emergency grant. The application can be found at https://www.mclennan.edu/foundation/docs/Emergency_Grant_Application.pdf.

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Minimum System Requirements to Utilize MCC's D2L|Brightspace:

Go to <https://www.mclennan.edu/center-for-teaching-and-learning/Faculty-and-Staff-Commons/requirements.html> for information on the minimum system requirements needed to reliably access your courses in MCC's D2L|Brightspace learning management system.

Minimum Technical Skills:

Students should have basic computer skills, knowledge of word processing software, and a basic understanding of how to use search engines and common web browsers.

Backup Plan for Technology:

In the event MCC's technology systems are down, you will be notified via your MCC student email address. Please note that all assignments and activities will be due on the date specified in the Instructor Plan, unless otherwise noted by the instructor.

Email Policy:

McLennan Community College would like to remind you of the policy regarding college email, which can be found at <https://www.mclennan.edu/employees/policy-manual/docs/E-XXXI-B.pdf>. All students, faculty, and staff are encouraged to use their McLennan email addresses when conducting college business.

A student's McLennan email address is the preferred email address that college employees should use for official college information or business. Students are expected to read and, if needed, respond in a timely manner to college emails. For more information about your student email account, go to <https://www.mclennan.edu/student-email/>.

Instructional Uses of Email:

Faculty members can determine classroom use of email or electronic communications. Faculty should expect and encourage students to check the college email on a regular basis. Faculty should inform students in the course syllabus if another communication method is to be used and of any special or unusual expectations for electronic communications.

If a faculty member prefers not to communicate by email with their students, it should be reflected in the course syllabus and information should be provided for the preferred form of communication.

Email on Mobile Devices:

The College recommends that you set up your mobile device to receive McLennan emails. If you need assistance with set-up, you may email Helpdesk@mclennan.edu for help.

You can find help on the McLennan website about connecting your McLennan email account to your mobile device:

- [Email Setup for iPhones and iPads](#)
- [Email Setup for Androids](#)

Forwarding Emails:

You may forward emails that come to your McLennan address to alternate email addresses; however, the College will not be held responsible for emails forwarded to an alternate address that may be lost or placed in junk or spam filters.

For more helpful information about technology at MCC, go to [MCC's Tech Support Cheat Sheet](#) or email helpdesk@mclennan.edu.

Disclaimer:

The resources and policies listed above are merely for informational purposes and are subject to change without notice or obligation. The College reserves the right to change policies and other requirements in compliance with State and Federal laws. The provisions of this document do not constitute a contract.