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**COURSE SYLLABUS**

**AND**

**INSTRUCTOR PLAN**

**US HISTORY II**

**HIST –1302 –D007**

**DONALD KELTNER**

**NOTE: This is a 16-week course.**

**NOTE: This is a Face-to-Face course.**

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**Course Description:**

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.

**Prerequisites and/or Corequisites:**

Must have passed the reading portion of the TSI Assessment or have credit for INRW 0402. Semester Hours 3 (3 lec).

**Instructor Information:**

**Instructor Name:** Donald Keltner

**MCC E-mail:** dkeltner@mclennan.edu

**Office Phone Number:** 299-8934 (It would be best to email)

**Office Location:** MAC 314

**Office/Teacher Conference Hours:** Monday-Thursday, 9:30am to 11:00am. I will regularly check my email between the hours of 7:30am and 4:00pm during weekdays (*core hours*); I will respond within 24 hours, likely sooner. It may take up to 48 hours on weekends. I will of course be lenient with issues occurring after business hours should they be of a time-sensitive nature.

**Other Instruction Information:** I reserve the right to use Zoom for communication purposes, though I have no plans to utilize that technology at this time. I have no plans to use Zoom for instructional purposes, though I reserve the right to in case of *force majeure*.

**1302 Required Text & Materials:**

Title: *Give Me Liberty!: An American History*

Author: Eric Foner, Kathleen DuVal, Lisa McGirr

Edition: 7th Edition-Brief

Publisher: W.W. Norton

ISBN: 978-1-324-04162-7

Title: *William E. B. DuBois, Marcus Garvey and Pan-Africa*

Author: Ben Rogers

Publisher: Journal of Negro History

*Journal article; link available on Brightspace (free)*

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Title: *F.D.R. Meets Ibn Saud*  
Author: William A. Eddy  
Edition: e-book  
Publisher: Selwa Press  
*Link available on Brightspace (free)*

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

**Textbooks and Course Materials**

Dr. Eric Foner's *Give Me Liberty!* is the textbook for this course and its purpose is to provide students with a big-picture overview of the totality of American History. **The textbook is supplementing the instructor, the instructor is not supplementing the textbook.**

The content provided by the instructor through the lectures, presentations and study guides are the core of the course content. These will extract certain topics, personalities, narratives and concepts from the textbook and expand upon them. The lectures and textbook work together to provide a comprehensive overview of American History with a focus in the areas where the instructor possesses a particular expertise.

**Read the following sections of the Instructor Plan about recommendations and student expectations carefully. If you cannot adapt to the expected behaviors in this course or follow the instructor's recommendations, there is little point in reading about grading and schedules.**

**Instructor Plan Statement of Understanding**

No student will be credited with grades or attendance past the first week of class unless the Instructor Plan Statement of Understanding is signed and returned to the instructor as students cannot be assessed on bases they do not understand. This applies equally to face-to-face, blended and online courses. Absences and missed grades resulting from not returning the signed statement by the second week of class cannot be made up and/or redeemed. If students have questions about the Instructor Plan, those should be discussed with the instructor the first week of class after they have read the Instructor Plan.

**Why You Need This Course:**

- It is part of the degree you want to earn (AA, AS, BA, BS, etc.), whether you plan to be an educator or not. To earn your degree, you must attain a level of competence in this subject.
- This course makes you a more valuable employee. Employees who only have knowledge of their precise function are of limited utility and can be easily replaced or laid off.

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- The course makes you a good representative of any organization you belong to. You want to make your employer appear to be an organization of informed or educated people.
- This course will help you understand human nature and the world you must live and work in.

**Student Behavioral Expectations / Conduct Policy:**

- **This is a *College Class*.** You will receive the grade you earn—and this grade will be a permanent entry on your college transcript.
- **Attitude and conduct are part of *your* grade.** Pay attention, stay awake and make an effort to absorb the class material. Sleeping in class equals an absence.
- **Deadlines are deadlines.** Do your work on time. Continuously missing deadlines is not acceptable and continual forgiveness is not fair to the other students. I am sympathetic to special circumstances and personal emergencies. Lack of initiative is neither.
- **Ask for help if you need it—*when you need it*.** Problems *must* be solved quickly because there will be a point past which the instructor has no ability to help fix a situation. That is how the real world works, so take action when problems appear, not when they have become disasters that cannot be fixed.
- **Attendance is required.** MCC policy requires you be removed from the class if you have more than seven (7) unexcused absences. There is also a participation threshold to meet regardless of attendance. Being late to class twice will count as an absence.
- You will use your **MCC email account**. You are responsible for the contents of all class emails, announcements and all the content on the course Brightspace website.
- ***Cheating*** in any form will result in a zero (0) for that grade item. This includes use of Artificial Intelligence. Additional disciplinary action may be taken according to the policy outlined by the college conduct code. Zeros (0) resulting from cheating offenses *cannot* be dropped.
- Students are prohibited from eating in the classroom; this is division policy.

**Course Notes and Instructor Recommendations:**

**Exams**

- 1) Read the textbook assignments and the relevant study questions / terms from Brightspace before class. The exam questions will be similar to the study questions.
- 2) Take notes. If you do not know how to take notes, there are guides on Brightspace to help you learn. The PowerPoint presentations are not notes, they are *only* a very basic outline.
- 3) During or after class, answer the study questions and define the terms using your notes and the textbook readings.
- 4) Start studying for exams at least three days before. Use the weekend before the exam to do the bulk of your studying so you do not have to cram at the last minute.
- 5) If something is not clear, if you are unsure of your preparation, *ask for help*.

### **Reading Quizzes**

- 1) Give yourself adequate time to read the material. Do not read too far ahead because you may forget some of the material. Do not plan to skim the book the night before.
- 2) Use the study questions from Brightspace as you read through the book and take notes
- 3) The quiz questions will be similar to the study questions, just like the exams.
- 4) If something is not clear, if you are unsure of your preparation, *ask for help*.

### **Homework Quizzes**

- 1) Pay attention in class; 20% of your course grade depends on it.
- 2) Take lecture notes and use the Study Guides, you may use them on the homework quizzes.
- 3) Quizzes will be given online and will be located in the section modules.
- 4) Homework quizzes are tied to the class meeting that day. Students who are absent are not eligible to take that day's quiz.
- 5) If something is not clear, if you are unsure of your preparation, *ask for help*.
- 6) If you are late to class, you can still take the class quiz, but you will be docked 3 points on the quiz. These deductions are cumulative, and not tied to one specific day.

### **Class Lectures are Copyrighted©**

The copyright for class lectures is retained by the instructor and recordings thereof are prohibited. Recording lectures or slideshows violates the retained copyright as outlined in Chapters 1-8 and Chapters 10-12 of Title 17 of the United States Code. Consequently, any device *capable* of recording or broadcasting, or any device linked to such a device, is thus prohibited from use in the classroom. Recording devices *not capable of broadcasting* will only be allowed with an accommodation granted by the ADA office of the college. In such case, the instructor will designate a reasonable location for the device. Violations of the policy will incur a 10-point deduction from the Final Exam for *each* infraction and the student will be counted absent that day. These will be denoted as **demerits** in the online gradebook. Note the Final Exam grade cannot be dropped. If the number of infractions make the Final Exam grade zero, or the total incurred absences violates the course and college attendance policy, the student will be withdrawn from the course for cause. Any recordings provided by the instructor are licensed to only registered students in the course for the duration of the semester the course is taken; these are prohibited from being reproduced or disseminated beyond students in the course, again, as detailed in Chapters 1-8 and Chapters 10-12 of Title 17 of the United States Code. Penalties for doing so apply under the law.

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**Class Participation Standard & Attendance:**

*Any* student who does not have a minimum of 2 exam grades or 1 exam & 2 book quiz grades by week 15 of the course is subject to be dropped for not meeting the minimum participation requirement. Pursuant to this policy, completion of the exam or book quiz for the week that it is scheduled will constitute attendance for the entire week (*2 class meetings*). Simply being present in class and not participating in assessments (exams, quizzes, homework) is not an option in this course. If an exam or book quiz is later made up and the minimum grade required is achieved, the missed attendance will be adjusted accordingly.

**Methods of Teaching and Learning:**

A variety of methods can / will be used in teaching United States History I, including the use of lecture, discussion, written assignments and various projects. Student assessment will include objective exams, readings of primary and secondary sources, discussions, subjective and objective essays, projects and portfolios. These measures can / will assess critical thinking, communication, social responsibility and personal responsibility. A departmental rubric may be used to assess different aspects of the course objectives.

**Course Objectives and/or Competencies:**

**Critical Thinking:** Through lecture and a variety of objective strategies, students will be assessed on critical thinking ability. Objective examinations will specifically be used to assess critical thinking. Other assessment vehicles may include essays, portfolios, primary source objective exams, and presentations. **This includes thinking ahead, planning ahead and adapting to changing circumstances throughout the semester. It also means asking for help in a timely manner—before it is too late.**

**Communication:** Measures such as objective tests, written assignments, discussions, portfolios and presentations may be used to measure the student's ability to communicate. **This means checking your MCC email regularly and responding in a timely manner.**

**Social Responsibility:** Because the teaching of history involves evoking examples of successes and failures in social responsibility, and the continual importance of this issue politically and personally today, social responsibility naturally is emphasized. Assessment measures may include readings, primary document exams, discussions, projects and essays. **This is to say you will act like a professional—which is what businesses want to employ.**

**Personal Responsibility:** Because the teaching of history also involves evoking examples of successes and failures in personal responsibility, and the consequences that personal choices can have, personal responsibility is also naturally emphasized. Assessment measures may include participation, readings, primary document exams, discussions, projects and essays. **This includes coming to class at the time you committed to, completing assignments on time and keeping up with your classwork. It also means asking for help in a timely manner—before it is too late.**

**Course Academic Integrity Statement:**

All students who enroll in this course are subject to a **zero-tolerance standard** for cheating and plagiarism. Consult the policy: <https://www.mclennan.edu/academic-integrity/> to see what MCC defines as *cheating* and *plagiarism*. **It is your responsibility to know this policy and ignorance is not a defense.** **Cheating** includes giving or receiving help on exams, quizzes or homework and turning in assignments that are significantly similar to that of other students. ***Cheating includes use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in writing assignments.*** **Plagiarism** is defined as using specific information or material taken from published works and claiming it as one's own. This includes not citing sources or quotations. Plagiarism does not apply to general facts; for example, that the Battle of Chancellorsville took place in 1863. These definitions (*Cheating & Plagiarism*) are not mutually exclusive for the purposes of this policy. Findings of cheating and/or plagiarism will result in a grade of zero (0) for the grade item and can make you subject to all additional penalties listed in MCC's guidelines as detailed on the college website, provided alternate corrective action is not offered by the instructor.

Zeros (0) resulting from cheating or plagiarism violations *cannot* be dropped from the grade calculations. Also, a FERPA release does not give others the ability to intervene or advocate on your behalf—you as the student must answer for and defend your actions *alone*. Remaining in the course is consent to this policy, withdrawing from the course will constitute final remedy to all disputes arising from this policy.

Cheating and Plagiarism issues are semester-specific and bounded by the posted college schedule. Any disputes, inquiries and appeals will terminate on the last class meeting day of the semester scheduled by the college, the most recent determination in the matter to stand permanently.

**Course Attendance/Participation Guidelines:**

If a student is not in attendance in accordance with the policies/guidelines of the class as outlined in the course syllabus as of the course census date, faculty are required to drop students from their class roster prior to certifying the respective class roster. Class attendance will be the determinant in face-to-face classes. A student's financial aid will be re-evaluated accordingly and the student will only receive funding for those courses attended as of the course census date.

Before the 60% point of the semester, a student who is absent for 25% or more of a face-to-face or blended course (**8 absences**) or who miss 25% or more of assigned work for an online course (**4 grade items**) will be withdrawn from the course with a grade of W. A student may also request to be withdrawn with a grade of W before the 60% point of the semester. After the 60% point of the semester, the student may request to be withdrawn if the student is passing or be assigned the final grade earned at the end of the semester after grades have been updated to reflect missing work. **Note: this policy is based on state law. There are no exceptions, no extensions and no excuses to this policy.**

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Being tardy (late) to class twice (2 times) will count as one (1) absence for the purposes of attendance. If the lateness is unavoidable for reasons of *force majeure* and an explanation is given in a appropriate time and manner, then there will no penalty provided such occurrences are not habitual (which will be documented on Brightspace).

**Course Schedule:**

Note that this is a 16-week course and you will be graded on your performance within those 16 weeks; unfinished work, or work not made up by the published deadline will be recorded as a zero (0).

**HIST 1302 Reading and Lecture Schedule TTH—Spring 2024**

	<b>Topics / Exams / Quizzes</b>	<b>Readings / Homework</b>
<b>Week 1</b> Jan 9 & 11	Course intro; Reconstruction	Foner, Chapter 15 Homework Quizzes
<b>Week 2</b> Jan 16 & 18	The Gilded Age / Reconstruction Videos <b>Instructor Plan Statement due (Jan 18)</b>	Foner, Chapter 16 Homework Quizzes
<b>January 23</b>	Students who have not attended class will be dropped	
<b>Week 3</b> Jan 23 & 25	(cont'd)	Homework Quizzes
<b>Week 4</b> Jan 30 & Feb 1	Populism, the Labor Movement, Global Influence	Foner, Chapter 17 Homework Quizzes
<b>Week 5</b> Feb 6 & 8	Global Influence <b>Exam 1 (February 8)</b>	
If you did not do well on Exam 1, the time to take action is NOW. Waiting until the book quiz or the next exam or Week 14 of the course to make changes will be too late.		
<b>Week 6</b> Feb 13 & 15	The Age of Progressivism	Foner, Chapter 18 Homework Quizzes
<b>Week 7</b> Feb 20 & 22	World War I	Foner Chapter, 19 Homework Quizzes
<b>Week 8</b> Feb 27 & Feb 29	The Roaring 20's & Great Depression <b>DuBois &amp; Garvey Quiz (online)</b>	Foner, Chapter 20 Homework Quizzes
<b>Spring Break March 4-8</b>		
<b>Week 9</b> March 12 & 14	The New Deal Era	Foner, Chapter 21 Homework Quizzes / Makeups
<b>Week 10</b> March 19 & 21	The New Deal Era <b>Exam 2 (March 21)</b>	
<b>March 21</b>	Student Initiated Withdrawal Deadline	
<b>Week 11</b> March 26 & 28	World War II	Foner, Chapter 22 Homework Quizzes
<b>Week 12</b> April 2 & 4	World War II American & the Postwar World	Foner, Chapter 23 Homework Quizzes
<b>Week 13</b> April 9 & 11	The Cold War <b>FDR Meets Ibn Quiz (online)</b>	Foner, Chapter 24 & 25 Homework Quizzes
<b>Week 14</b> April 16 & 18	Vietnam War; Civil Rights Movement; Malaise of the 1970s	Homework Quizzes / Makeups



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<b>Week 15</b> April 23 & 25	Reagan Years,; Cold War Victory <b>Last Day for Extra Credit: April 26</b> <b>Last day for Make-ups: April 26</b>	Foner, Chapter 26-27 (through p. 843) Homework Quizzes / Makeups
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**Final Exam: Date & Time TBD by college and posted on Brightspace**  
**GRADUATE Grades are Due at 9:00am May 1 \*\* All other Grades are Due at 4pm May 2**

**Course Grading Information:**

<b>HIST 1302 Assessment</b>	<b>% of Course Grade</b>
<b>Exam 1</b> 50 Multiple-Choice Questions, Chapters 15-17	≈27%
<b>Exam 2</b> 50 Multiple-Choice Questions, Chapters 18-21	≈27%
<b>Reading Quizzes (2)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>20 Multiple-Choice Questions on each quiz</li> <li>These two grades will be <b>averaged</b> and count as <b>one exam grade</b></li> </ul>	≈27% (≈13% each)
The <b>lowest</b> grade of Exam 1, Exam 2 <i>or</i> the Reading Quiz Average will be <b>dropped</b>	- ≈27%
<b>Final Exam</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>50 Multiple-choice Questions, Chapters 22-27</li> <li>This grade <b>cannot</b> be dropped</li> </ul>	≈27%
<b>Extra Credit</b> Extra Credit earned will be applied to the grades retained from Exam 1, Exam 2, the Reading Quiz Average and the Final Exam.	Points added to retained grades
<b>Exams, Quizzes and Extra Credit (Total)</b> This total will be capped at 300 points and will be 80% of the final course grade, those being 80 points of the final 100-point average.	80%
<b>Demerits deducted as a result of violating copyright policy (<i>after</i> grades totaled)</b>	Varies, perhaps none
<b>Homework</b> Homework scores, make-ups and extra credit will be tallied up to a total of 200 points and capped there. Tardy deductions will then be applied.	20%
<b>Course Grade</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Additional Course Grading Information:** The final course grade cannot exceed 100. The instructor may apply an adjustment in certain instances. There will be opportunities to earn extra credit. The extra assignments are posted on Brightspace. See the Course Schedule.

**Late Work, Attendance and Make Up Work Policies:**

Makeup exams and quizzes will be available for students via the appropriate office either on the MCC campus or remotely at the dual credit campuses. In most instances, two (2) weeks will be allowed for make-ups or the grade will be recorded as zero (0). This will not apply to the Final Exam. The last day to make up missed grade items in face-to-face classes in the last class day of the semester. Missed Class Quizzes cannot be directly made up as they are tied to class attendance that day. Students who are tardy will have 3-point deduction to the Class Quiz. These deductions are cumulative, and not tied to one specific day. These will be deducted from the final Homework point total. Students who are absent are not eligible to take the Homework Quiz that day. There will be limited opportunities to make up missed homework, but these are limited to 8 instances as no student can miss more than 8 face-to-face classes without being withdrawn.

**Incomplete Grades**

Lacking several grade items will not qualify a student for the grade of Incomplete. Neither will lacking initiative and inattention to the course schedule. The grade of Incomplete (I) will be granted only in very limited circumstances. This would be an instance where the Final Exam cannot be completed before the end of the calendar month at the end of the semester (either May or December) due to certain unique circumstances that would qualify as *force majeure* according to the instructor or the institution as a matter of benevolence.

**Course ADA Accommodations**

This course has been reviewed by the specialist staff and administrators of the college and conforms to norms and expectations of the accrediting body overseeing the institution. The instructor by law *cannot* provide additional course materials, supplements, grade items or testing accommodations to individual students without a written directive from the college's Disability Services office. *It is exclusively the student's responsibility to seek accommodations.* If you think you are entitled to certain accommodations, or you are directed to inquire about such by the instructor, contact that office at 254-299-8122 or [disabilities@mclellan.edu](mailto:disabilities@mclellan.edu). You may also wish to contact the Title IX office at [titleix@mclellan.edu](mailto:titleix@mclellan.edu). Both offices are located in the Student Services Center, Suite 319. Their determination will be final and the instructor and student must abide by it.

**Instructor Plan Addenda**

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**Course Force Majeure:**

For face-to-face classes, if a scheduled class meeting must be cancelled for cause, then recordings will stand as good faith substitutes for face-to-face class meetings. It may also prove necessary to employ Zoom. Continued enrollment in this class will constitute acceptance of this contingency and that the instructor and MCC will be held harmless in the occurrence without remedy. Withdrawal from the course will constitute acceptance of the same.

**Published Instructor Plan with Boilerplate Sections**

A link to the full Instructor Plan with the boilerplate items added by MCC is located in the Instructor Plan Module on the course webpage. The course-specific items in both documents are identical and students in this course are bound by **both** documents. Any typos or unclear passages in either plan will be interpreted exclusively by the instructor of record.

**Course Concluding Date**

The Information technology administrators at McLennan Community College have mandated that the course Brightspace page will close on **May 4, 2024**. After that point the instructor cannot and will not guarantee there will be a course to finish as the server space could be repurposed for future courses. That being the case, the grade posted on or before the grading deadline stated in the course schedule will stand and the course will conclude permanently. The *only* exception to this policy is that the Final Exam (or the final chapter exam in online courses) *can* be made up in a reasonable period following the conclusion of the semester *as circumstances allow*.

**[Click Here for the MCC Attendance/Absences Policy](https://www.mclennan.edu/highlander-guide/policies.html)**

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

**This ends the course-specific portion of the Instructor Plan**

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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 [www.mclennan.edu/disability](http://www.mclennan.edu/disability)

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

[disabilities@mclennan.edu](mailto: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](mailto:titleix@mclennan.edu) or by calling, Dr. Claudette Jackson, (Accommodations/Title IX) at (254) 299-8465. MCC employees are mandatory reporters and must report incidents immediately to the Title IX Coordinator. Individuals may also contact the MCC Police Department at (254) 299-8911 or the MCC Student Counseling Center at (254) 299-8210. The MCC Student Counseling Center is a confidential resource for students. Any student may report sexual harassment anonymously by visiting <http://www.lighthouse-services.com/mclennan/>

Additionally, Title IX provides rights and protections for pregnant and newly parenting students. Go to McLennan's Title IX webpage at [www.mclennan.edu/titleix/](http://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/>

Academic Support and Tutoring is here to help students with all their course-related needs. Specializing in one-on-one tutoring, developing study skills, and effectively writing essays. Academic Support and Tutoring can be found in the Library and main floor of the Learning Commons. This service is available to students in person or through Zoom. You can contact the Academic Support and Tutoring team via Zoom or email ([ast@mclennan.edu](mailto:ast@mclennan.edu)) by going to our website (<https://www.mclennan.edu/academic-support-and-tutoring/>)

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 either MCC CREW – Campus Resources Education Web by calling (254) 299-8561 or by emailing [crew@mclennan.edu](mailto:crew@mclennan.edu) or a Success Coach by calling (254) 299-8226 or emailing [success@mclennan.edu](mailto:success@mclennan.edu).

Paulanne's Pantry (MCC's food pantry) provides free food by appointment to students, faculty and staff. To schedule an appointment, go to <https://calendly.com/paulannespantry-mcc/15min>.

The CREW, Success Coaches, and Paulanne's Pantry are all located on the second floor of the Student Services building in Success Coaching Services.

**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](https://www.mclennan.edu/foundation/docs/Emergency_Grant_Application.pdf)

**MCC Academic Integrity Statement:**

Please view our [Academic integrity statement](#) for more information about academic integrity, dishonesty, and cheating. The unauthorized use of artificial intelligence (AI) for classwork can be a violation of the College's General Conduct Policy. Whether AI is authorized in a course and the parameters in which AI can be used in a course will be outlined by each instructor.

**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 (<http://www.mclennan.edu/employees/policy-manual/docs/E-XXXI-B.pdf>) regarding college email. 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 [www.mclennan.edu/studentemail](http://www.mclennan.edu/studentemail).

**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](mailto: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](#) or email [helpdesk@mclennan.edu](mailto:helpdesk@mclennan.edu).

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