

## American History, 1877 to the Present

### Syllabus Part C: Course Calendar

Be alert for changes to this calendar, as announced in class and as posted to the course Canvas site.

#### Week 1

Fri Jan 5	Course introduction
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#### Week 2

Mon Jan 8	lecture: America at the Centennial
Wed Jan 10	discussion: Going to the Fair
Fri Jan 12	discussion: Progress, by the Numbers

#### Week 3

Mon Jan 15	no class, MLK day
Wed Jan 17	lecture: Men and Machines
Fri Jan 19	discussion: The Problem of Wealth

#### Week 4

Mon Jan 22	lecture: Big Business
Wed Jan 24	lecture: Big Labor
Fri Jan 25	discussion: The Haymarket Affair – Industrial Revolution?

#### Week 5

Mon Jan 28	lecture: The Election of 1896
Wed Jan 30	discussion: McKinley vs Bryan
Fri Feb 2	first examination, covering weeks 1-5

#### Week 6

Mon Feb 5	no class, extended weekend
Wed Feb 7	lecture: “Remember the Maine”
Fri Feb 9	discussion: The Imperial Itch

#### Week 7

Mon Feb 12	lecture: “Over There”
Wed Feb 14	lecture: Versailles
Fri Feb 16	discussion: Wilson’s Vision for a 20 <sup>th</sup> c. World

#### Week 8

Mon Feb 19	lecture: “Return to Normalcy”
Wed Feb 21	discussion: The Jazz Age
Fri Feb 23	lecture: The Big Smash

#### Week 9

Mon Feb 26	discussion: “Modern Times”
Wed Feb 28	second examination, covering Weeks 6-9
Fri Mar 1	no class

Spring Break, Week of Mar 4-8

Week 10

No scheduled class sessions Mon Mar 11, Wed Mar 13, or Fri Mar 15  
Students work independently on Depression Documentary Photography projects

Week 11

Mon Mar 18	lecture: The Election of 1932
Wed Mar 20	discussion: FDR's "New Deal"
Fri Mar 22	lecture: A World in Flames

Week 12

Mon Mar 25	lecture: Winning the Second World War
Wed Mar 27	discussion: "Why We Fight"
Fri Mar 29	discussion: The Cost of Victory

Week 13

Mon Apr 1	no class, Easter Monday
Wed Apr 3	lecture: The Cold War Abroad
Fri Apr 5	discussion: The Cold War at Home

Week 14

Mon Apr 8	third examination, covering Weeks 11-13
Wed Apr 10	lecture: The American Dream
Fri Apr 12	discussion: "I Have a Dream"

Week 15

Mon Apr 15	lecture: The Election of 1960
Wed Apr 17	lecture: LBJ's "Great Society"
Fri Apr 19	discussion: 1968, the Great Unraveling

Week 16

Mon Apr 22	lecture: The Malaise Era
Wed Apr 24	discussion: Reagan's "Morning in America"
Fri Apr 26	no class, extended weekend

Week 17

Mon Apr 29	lecture: American Empire?
Wed May 1	lecture: Globalization and its Discontents
Fri May 3	discussion: "Jihad vs. McWorld"

Final examination to be scheduled during finals period, covering both Weeks 14-17 and the course overall.