
Course Schedule

In this course, two things apply to all work:

1. What you do determines when *you* see the next work. For example, your taking the Course Plan Quiz with at least 1000 points means that you see Unit 1's content, your taking Unit 1's objective exam means you see Unit 2's content, and so on.
2. All work opens at 12:00 AM on the Start date and is due at 11:59 PM on the Due date.

Holidays and Due Dates Determined by WCJC (Not the Instructor)

1/22	Classes begin
2/22	No classes (Texas Community College Teachers Association Convention)
3/11-3/15	No classes (Spring break)
3/22	No classes (University Interscholastic League)
3/28-3/29	No classes (Easter Holidays beginning at 4:00 pm on 3/27)
4/19	Last day <i>you</i> can drop a 16 week course with a grade of "W" (<i>You</i> must initiate the drop.)
5/14	Date set by WCJC for the Final Exam for your class (The hours of your exam are from 8:00 am to 10:00 am.)
5/15	Instructors must enter grades in Banner (WCJC's official record) before noon.

Getting Started Module – Available After 12:00 AM on 1/22

Starts 1/22 and Due 1/24 – Unless you email requesting more time, two actions are required by the due date:

- Take the Course Plan Quiz with at least 1000 points selected before the due date. (Your selecting over 1000 points for the quiz causes Blackboard to display all of the content for Unit 1.)
- Reply to the instructor's email of questions in Messages/Course Mail. (If you do reply, you earn extra credit covered in the Checklist. If you do not, the instructor continues to block your being able to see the folders for Reading Quiz B and C in Unit 1.)

History Changes Essay Module – Available on 1/31 and AFTER You Score 1000 points or More on the Course Plan Quiz

The History Changes Essay uses content that is also part of Unit 1 and its essay questions for the exam. You must write the History Changes Essay and respond to the feedback to see **any** of the Unit essays. **Starts 1/31 and Due 2/12** – Required readings and all possible essay questions are available 1/31. You write the essay from 2/10 to 2/12.

About Dates for Reading Quizzes within a Unit and for Essay and Objective Parts of the Exam Ending a Unit

You can continue to take Reading Quizzes until the last date of the Exam that ends the Unit, but the extra credit points for Reading Quizzes are to encourage you to manage your work and keep current:

- If you take a Reading Quiz on or shortly before the Start date, I enter 1 extra credit point. (Example: If you took Quiz A at that time, I enter 1 point in A_ec at My Grades (with ec standing for extra credit.)
- If you also score a 9 or 10 by the Due date for that Reading Quiz, I change the 1 to 2. (Example: If you also made 9 or 10 on Quiz A by the Due date, I change the 1 in A_ec to 2.)

Unit Exam is in two parts, objective and essay. They are available over a three-day period. If possible, one day is on a weekend.

Unit 1 Module – Content Available on 1/22 and AFTER you score 1000 points or more on the Course Plan Quiz

The dates and content for the daily work and the two parts of the Unit exam are:

- **Starts 1/24 and Due 2/04** - Daily Work in the Folder for the Content with Reading Quiz A (Chapters 1-2). The Due date applies to Reading Quiz A, Video A, and Study Group A. **Tip:** When you complete one quiz, also try the next one. For example, on 2/04 when you score 9 or 10 on Quiz A, also try Quiz B for one or two times.
- **Starts 2/05 and Due 2/13** - Daily Work in the Folder for the Content with Reading Quiz B (Chapters 2-3). The Due date applies to Reading Quiz B, Video B, and Study Group B.
- **Starts 2/14 and Due 2/21** - Daily Work in the Folder for the Content with Reading Quiz C (Chapters 3-4). The Due date applies to Reading Quiz C, Video C, and Study Group C.
- **Starts 2/24 and Due ~~2/26~~ 3/03 (See emails for why the change.) – Unit 1's Exam** (Chapters 1-4).

Unit 2 Module – Content Available on 2/24 and AFTER you score at least 5 points on Unit 1's objective

The dates and content for the daily work and Unit exam are:

- **Starts 2/24 and Due 3/07** - Daily Work in the Folder for the Content with Reading Quiz D (Chapter 5 and the Declaration of Independence). The Due date applies to **Quiz D_ec to check your knowledge (See email for why the change, for how I am willing to length the due date for this part of the Unit given this change and how I will update the syllabus as well.)** Reading Quiz D, Video D, and Study Group D.
- **Starts 3/08 and Due 3/25** - Daily Work in the Folder for the Content with Reading Quiz E (Chapters 6 and 7, the Bill of Rights and selections from the body of the Constitution). The Due date applies to **Quiz E_ec to check your knowledge**, Reading Quiz E, Video E, and Study Group E.
- **Starts 3/26 and Due 4/04** - Daily Work in the Folder for the Content with Reading Quiz F (Chapters 8, 9, 10 stopping at the heading "Reform and Religion."). The Due date applies to **Quiz F_ec to check your knowledge**, Reading Quiz F, Video F, and Study Group F.
- **Starts 4/01 – Qualify for the "Deal" to help all types of students with the essay scores AND skills** – Check the comments for Unit 1's essays at My Grades **and** the email with a link for what you need to do to qualify for the "deal."
If at 12:00 AM on 4/07 you do not see the **essay part** of Unit 2's Exam, **then you needed to act** to qualify for the "deal" and to be able to take Unit 2's essays. If you need help, see that link for additional ways to contact me than my regular office hours.
- **Starts 4/07 and Due 4/09 – Unit 2's Exam OBJECTIVE part** (Chapters 5-10).
- **Starts 4/07 and Due ~~4/09~~ 4/15– Unit 2's Exam ESSAYS part** (and qualify for the "deal")– See email for why the greater time to qualify for the "deal."

Unit 3 Module – Content Available on 4/07 and AFTER you score at least 5 points on Unit 2’s objective

The dates and content for the daily work and Unit exam are:

- **Starts 4/07 and Due 4/16** - Daily Work in the Folder for the Content with Reading Quiz G (Chapters 10 starting at the heading “Reform and Religion,” 11, 12). The Due date applies to **Quiz G_ec to check your knowledge**, Reading Quiz G, Video G, and Study Group G.
- **Starts 4/17 and Due 4/24** - Daily Work in the Folder for the Content with Reading Quiz H (Chapters 13, 14). The Due date applies to **Quiz H_ec to check your knowledge**, Reading Quiz H, Video H, and Study Group H.
- **Starts 4/25 and Due 5/02** - Daily Work in the Folder for the Content with Reading Quiz I (Chapters 15, 16). The Due date applies to **Quiz I_ec to check your knowledge**, Reading Quiz I, Video I, and Study Group I.
- **Starts 5/05 and Due 5/07 – Unit 3’s Exam OBJECTIVE part** (Chapters 11-16).
- **Starts 5/05 and Due ~~5/07~~ 5/13 – Unit 3’s Exam ESSAY part** (and completing the “deal”) - See email for feedback on Unit 2 essays and why this offer of greater time.

Final Exam Module – Quiz J Available on 5/05, Final Exam Available on 5/11 (ONLY) and AFTER you score at least 5 points on Unit 3’s objective

The Department requires instructors to enter an F for the course if a student does not take the Final. PLAN accordingly.

This section of the syllabus explains Quiz J and the Final Exam:

Final Examination That Ends the Course: You can take the Final Exam only one time. The Final Exam was written by the History Department. It has multiple choice questions over the entire course. Students who do **not** take the Final Exam receive an **F** for the **course** (not just the exam itself).

Although the *words* in the questions in the Final Exam are different from the Reading Quizzes, the *facts* in the Final Exam are in the Reading Quizzes. To help you think freshly about those facts, the multiple-choice questions from the Reading Quizzes are reformatted to be matching questions with maps or with groups of terms. The course provides Quiz J (for 10 points) to help you refresh your memory of about 100 questions from Quizzes A through I. You can also see a link to all of the questions in Quiz J.

Password

If you can take an assessment only one time, it requires a password.

The required password is: onetimeonly (Notice no spaces between words.)

I reserve the right to modify the syllabus and the schedule during the semester.

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