

Course Schedule – Course Schedule – The Major Work Section is now moved to the top. There is one update on 12/04 (in **purple** letters) to the Major Work section.

Major Dates (and Holidays), What You Do, Where You Click on the Course Menu, and When Content Is Visible?

The table shows the major dates (and holidays), what you do on those dates, where you click on the Course Menu for the content and assessment, and when content is visible. Units end in a two-part exam—essays and objective. The Final Exam does not have an essay. All work is available at 12:01 AM on the date in the table and ends at 11:59 PM on the date in the table.

Date	What You Do on These Major Dates	On the Course Menu, click...	Content Visible When?
8/27-30	Start Orientation – Submit Your Course Plan and Your Information To earn the extra credits, you must complete them before 8/30 9/5.	Getting Started & Syllabus	On 8/27
8/27	Start Unit 1 ^x	Unit 1	After Course Plan quiz [#]
9/1	No class (Labor Day Holiday)	—	—
9/23-24 9/26-29 [@]	Write History Changes Essay	History Changes Essay	On 9/10
10/7-8 [Ⓜ]	Take Unit 1's Exam Objective (10/7-10/8) and Essays (10/7-10/10 – Essays to Why the longer date? To allow enough time for all to get individual 10/40-14 help on the History Changes Essay if they want it.)	Unit 1	—
	Start Unit 2	Unit 2	After Unit 1's objective [#]
11/2-3 [Ⓜ]	Take Unit 2's Exam Objective and Essays	Unit 2	—
	Start Unit 3	Unit 3	After Unit 2's objective [#]
11/16	Last day you can drop a course (You must initiate the drop.)	—	—
11/22-23	No class (Thanksgiving Holiday)	—	—
12/2-3 [Ⓜ]	Take Unit 3's Exam Objective and Essays	Unit 3	—
12/2- 6 9	Take Unit 3's Exam Essays (ONLY the Essays have a longer date.) Why the longer date? To let you find out about what in the Unit 2 Essay caused you to lose points so you can a) earn full points on the other question and b) score higher on Unit 3's essays.		
12/2-8 [Ⓜ]	Start to refresh for the Departmental Final Exam with Quiz J	Final Exam, Quiz J folder	After Unit 3's objective [#]
12/8 [Ⓜ]	Take the Final Exam (12:00 AM-11:59 PM) – the date set by WCJC	Final Exam, Exam folder	On 12/8

^x In the first days of class, you only see the first Reading Quiz, its resources, and—after you have had a chance to try the Reading Quiz—its Forum.

[#] When **you** take this assessment, Blackboard shows **you** the next content. The sooner **you** take the assessment, the sooner **you** see the next content.

Example: When your score for the Course Acknowledgement and Your Plan is 1000 or more, Blackboard shows you Unit 1's content.

[@] All content on the Course Menu ends with an assessment. Blackboard, however, does not display an assessment until students can actually take it. To help you know that you are in the right location, I place these assessments in folders. The folders look empty until the day you can take the assessment.

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.

Daily Work in the 3 Units – Due Dates and Hours and Resources You Use Together

If you want to know why Unit 1 is spread over more time than the other Units or details about the timing of a Forum and the extra credit for its Reading Quiz, click [here](#) or scroll to the second page.

Timing: There is a Forum **OR** a Video assignment for each Reading Quiz. When one Forum closes **1:00 11:59 PM**, the next one opens. The next day I **grade the Forum or Video and** enter 2 points extra credit for each person scoring a 9 or 10 on the Reading Quiz.

Resources You Use Together: The table shows you what resources you use together for each Unit. Identify the possible essay questions at the start of the Unit. Look at the link to all Quiz Questions and the Resources in the folder to see if they can save *you* time. Take the online quiz several times to see what *you* missed and therefore *you* have to read. Use the index to locate what *you* need to read in the textbook. If you cannot find the information quickly, check the Forum. Use the dates to pace yourself.

Unit #	Unit Opens	Folder in the Unit (Has Link of All Quiz Questions, Resources, the Online Quiz)	Reading Quiz	Chapters to Use	Forum OR Video to Use	Forum OR Video Opens	Forum OR Video Ends	Extra Credit IF Quiz at 9 or 10	Unit Closes
Unit 1	8/27 – List of essay questions visible	Reconstruction Abandoned; Beginning of the Gilded Age	Quiz A	16, 17	Forum A	8/29	9/10-9/19 ^{\$} 9/26 [%]	9/10-9/19	10/08 Essays part through 10/10
		Gilded Age Transformations	Quiz B	17, 18	Forum B	9/11	9/19-9/28	9/19	
		Turmoil and Expansion	Quiz C	19	Forum C	9/20-9/28	10/3-10/05	10/3-10/05	
Unit 2	10/7 – List of essay questions visible	Progressivism: Roosevelt to Wilson	Quiz D	20, 21	Forum D Video D	10/8	10/15	10/15	11/3
		World War I and Its Transformations Including Mass Culture	Quiz E	22, 23	Forum E Video E	10/16	10/23	10/23	
		Great Depression, Seeds of the New Deal, and The New Deal and New Challenges	Quiz F	24, 25	Forum F Video F	10/24	10/31	10/31	
Unit 3	11/2 – List of essay questions visible	World War II; the Post-War	Quiz G	26, 27	Forum G Video G	11/4	11/12	11/12	12/3
		1950s Transformations; The Turbulent Years (The 1960s)	Quiz H	28, 29	Forum H Video H	11/13	11/20	11/20	
		The Crisis of Confidence (1969-1992 Era); Reagan to Clinton to Bush (1992-2000+)	Quiz I	30, 31, 32	Forum I Video I	11/21	11/30	11/30	

^{\$} Up to 8 points for those who posted **before 1:00 PM on 9/19**. If I returned that posting to you, you must complete the correction **before 1:00 pm on 9/26**.

[%] Up to 4 points for those who complete **successful** posting (including successfully correcting a returned posting) **before 1:00 PM on 9/26**.

Detailed information about Daily Work

Daily Work in the 3 Units – Due Dates and Hours and Resources You Use Together

The timing of the schedule for daily work looks odd to students until I state two things:

- The schedule for Unit 1 is spread out over a longer time period than the other two Units because :
 - Forum A is a **moderated** Forum. They require more time—but you also receive more points.
 - You also do the History Changes Essay **during** Unit 1. Its dates are in the section below for Major Dates.
- Two things that *you* need me to do require *my* being available to do those things during my office hours.
 - Grade a Forum but make it visible again quickly. *Solution:* I set Blackboard to close the Forum at 1:00 pm on the date listed in the table. I grade and reopen the Forum for viewing (not posting) before I leave for the day.
 - Enter 2 points of extra credit for students that have a 9 or 10 for a Reading Quiz on the due date. *Solution:* You must have a 9 or 10 by the due date; however, I enter the extra credit the *next* day. (Assume it will be **early** the *next* day.)

Timing: The Units and their Reading Quizzes open at 12:01 AM and close at 11:59 PM on the dates shown in the table. You can take Reading Quizzes until the Unit closes on the last day of its Exam and the highest score counts, but to earn the extra credit you must score 9 or 10 by the date shown in the table. Forums open at 12:01 AM and close at 1:00 PM on the dates shown in the table.

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