# U.S. History

# Ms. Nneji

## Course Description

This course will provide an overview of United States history from 1877 to the present.

## Course Units

Unit 1: Foundations of America

Unit 2: Gilded Age

Unit 3: Progressive Era

Unit 4: World War I

Unit 5: Roaring Twenties

Unit 6: Great Depression

Unit 7: World War II

Unit 8: Cold War

Unit 9: Civil Rights Movement

Unit 10: Contemporary America

**Course Requirements**

**Materials:** All students are expected to come prepared to class every day with required supplies.

* college-rule notebook paper in notebook or Large Spiral Notebook
* black or blue pens and pencils

## Course Policies and Procedures

1. **Student Expectations:** All students are expected to be respectful and courteous to others, their time and property. To raise their hand to speak. To use words, hands, feet, and materials appropriately (i.e. do not throw things). To be on time to class with required materials. To not allow themselves to be distracted, or distract others from learning.
2. **Electronic Devices:** Students are to remove earphones, earbuds, headphones before entering the classroom, and are not to be used during class. Cellphones are to be silenced. The instructor will indicate to students if and when electronic devices can be used during class.
3. **Food and Drink:** Bottled drinks are allowed, food or open drink containers are not allowed in class.
4. **Seating:** Students will have assigned seating. Students are to be in their assigned seats. Students are to sit in their assigned seat unless instructed to do otherwise. Students are to be in their assigned seats until the bell rings at the end of class.
5. **Classroom Cleanliness:** All students are expected to clean up after themselves and dispose of trash in trashcans before being dismissed from class. Nothing is to be left on the floor or desks.
6. **Substitute Teachers:** In the event that the instructor is absent, students are expected to follow the classroom policy and procedures, and to treat the substitute teacher with the utmost respect. Treating a substitute teacher with disrespect will not be tolerated. Follow the substitute teacher’s instructions. Any assignment not completed when there is a substitute teacher will result in zero credit.
7. **Attendance:** It is essential that students attend class to be successful in the course. Students need to take care of personal business on their own time. If absent, students are responsible for course material covered and assignments given during their absence. Students will be given the same number of days that they are absent to complete any missed assignments, after which the assignments will be late.
8. **In-Class Activities:** Students will participate in a variety of in-class activities. Students will complete daily warm-ups, watch films, have class discussions, conduct research, conduct web searches, conduct individual and group presentations, engage in review sessions and more. Students are expected to actively participate in class. Failure to do so will result in loss of credit.
9. **Assignments:** All assignments are to be written in black or blue pen or pencil. All assignments are to include a student header consisting of the student’s full first and last name, the class period, and the date. Failure to follow the header instructions will result in minus 11 points on each assignment. All assignments should be retained for use as study resources and in the event there is a discrepancy.
10. **Homework:** Assigned homework is due at the beginning of class on the day indicated by the teacher. Any assignment not turned in at the beginning of class will be counted late.

1. **Projects:** Students will be assigned a variety of projects by the instructor. These projects will include, but are not limited to, PowerPoint presentations, essays, research papers, group projects, etc. Students are expected to dress and act professionally for presentations.
2. **Late Assignments:** The following is the late policy for on-level classes. The first day late is minus 10 points, the second day late is minus another 10 points, the third day late is minus another 10 points meaning the highest grade you can receive is a 70, and on the fourth day late the assignment is a zero.
3. **Exams:** Students will complete exams to demonstrate their mastery of the course’s content. Students who are absent the day of an exam will be expected to take the missed quiz or exam the day they return to class. Students will be given a limited window to retest.
4. **Retesting:** Students have one opportunity to retest if they score below a 75 on a test. Students must attend tutorials before retesting. The highest retest grade students can obtain is a 75. Students will receive the highest of the two grades.
5. **Academic Honesty:** Concerning plagiarism, any student who submits an assignment which contains words or ideas from an existing source and is not properly credited, will be subject to full loss of credit. Plagiarism can be avoided by citing sources, which will be discussed in class. All students are expected to complete their own work. Students who engage in cheating, both the provider and recipient, will receive full loss of credit and possible further disciplinary action.