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# Mr. Lusk

## Course Description

This course provides a fundamental overview of the history of humankind. The emphasis of this course will be on the study of significant persons, events, and issues from the earliest times of human civilization to the present.

## Tutorial & Conference Schedule

Tutorials will be held on Tuesday Mornings from 6:45 – 7:20 AM. Another option for tutorials will be held during Noble Knight Wednesdays. For both options, please let me know ahead of time when you are coming so I can make sure you have a pass to get to my class.

Conference times are M,T,Th&F from 7:30-8:20 AM. Please reach out to me via email so we can discuss the best methods for meeting.

## Course Units

Unit 1: Ancient (Prehistory to Early Ancient)

Unit 2: Classical (Civilizations of Classical Antiquity)

Unit 3: Post-Classical (Middle Ages)

Unit 4: Early Modern (Precolumbian Americas - Age of Exploration - Renaissance)

Unit 5: Long Nineteenth Century (Age of Enlightenment - Age of Revolution - Age of Imperialism)

Unit 6: Shorty Twentieth Century (First World War - Second World War - Cold War)

**Course Requirements**

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

* Composition Book/ Spiral Notebook
* black or blue pens and pencils
* colored pencils (at least a 12 pack)
* highlighter(s)
* 1” binder (or larger)
* 5 dividers (any style, any color)

## 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. refrain from throwing things, using profanity, writing on desks). To be on time to class with required materials. To not allow themselves to be distracted or distract others from learning.
2. **Electronic Devices:** In compliance with Texas State Law, student personal devices are strictly prohibited during the school day (7:30-2:50). This includes, but is not limited to, cell phones, smart watches, various listening devices, smart eyewear, etc. Students will be required to keep all devices in their backpacks during the duration of the class period. If a student is caught using their device, they will be issued a verbal warning as well as will be required to place their phones in the cell phone pouch during class for the rest of the nine weeks. If a student refuses to comply, parents will be notified. If insubordination continues, students will be issued a referral and face further consequences as administrators see fit.
3. **Food and Drink:** Bottled drinks are allowed, food or open drink containers are allowed in class, but subjected to lose priveledge for leaving trash/ not cleaning up after yourself.
4. **Seating:** Students will be seated towards the front of the class. Students are to be in their seats before the bell rings. Students are to sit in their assigned seat unless instructed to do otherwise. Students are to be in their seats until the bell rings at the end of class. No crowding the door.
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. If trash is left in the class, the student who’s desk the trash is at will be subject to lose privileges for the rest of the month.
6. **Substitute Teachers:** In the event that the instructor is absent, students are expected to follow 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 turned in\* when there is a substitute teacher will result in **ZERO** credit. **Sub Days = NO HALL PASS DAY.**
7. **Restroom and Hall Passes:** Students will receive 20 minutes per week for the hall pass reasons (five minute limit on Fridays), kept track of by the teacher. It is imperative that you use your time wisely and handle everything that you can during the six minute passing period. If a student abuses this privilege, it will be subjected to be taken away at the teacher's discretion. Fifth period is a **NO HALL PASS** class period. This means that once you are in class, you will not be allowed to leave until you are dismissed from class. All restroom needs should be taken care of during lunch or on the way to class. There will be **NO** exceptions.
8. **Attendance:** It is essential that students attend class and be on time to be successful in the course. Students need to take care of personal business on their own time. Students arriving more than five minutes late to class, even with a pass from a teacher, will be counted tardy. Students do not have permission to be late to class for another teacher. If students will be tardy, please ensure that you handle all outside business (restroom, etc.) prior to arriving to class to minimize further interruptions to the lesson. If absent, **students are responsible** for missed information and assignments during their absence. Students will be given the same number of days they were absent to complete missed assignments, after which the assignments will be late.
9. **In-Class Activities:** Students will participate in a variety of in-class activities. Students will complete daily assignments, take notes, watch films, have class readings, conduct research, conduct presentations, engage in review sessions and more. Students are expected to **ACTIVELY** participate in class, which includes not sleeping during class. Failure to do so could result in loss of credit and privileges, such as being able to use the restroom during class.
10. **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 these instructions will result in minus 10 points on each assignment. All assignments should be retained for use as study resources and in the event there is a discrepancy.
11. **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.
12. **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 will not be accepted. Major grades, by discretion.
13. **Missing Assignments:** For assignments that are not received by the third day, the assignment will be marked as missing in Skyward. In addition to being marked missing, the assignment will be given the grade of a 48, this is to make sure students are taking responsibility of their learning, as well as how it impacts their average.
14. **Exams:** All exams will be given in Eduphoria. 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. In addition, students who are absent the day of an exam may be given an alternate exam covering the same material. Students will be given a limited window to retest.
15. **Retesting:** Students have one opportunity to retest if they score below a 75 on a test. Students are expected to attend tutorials before retesting. The highest retest grade students can obtain is a 75. Students will receive the highest of the two grades. Students have a maximum of 2 weeks to be retaught and retest before the retest window closes.
16. **Projects:** Students will be assigned a variety of projects. These projects can include, but are not limited to, brochures, essays, research papers, individual or group presentations, etc. Students are expected to dress and act professionally for presentations. Projects are major grades and treated the same as tests. If a project is late, the initial grade is a zero, and the highest possible late grade is a 75.
17. **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. Any use of AI or any other form of cheating will result in a **ZERO** for daily grades, and for major grades you will be offered an alternative assignment with the highest score possible as **70**. All students and parents will be required to sign an Academic Integrity Pledge.