

Montgomery County Community College  
 HIS 102  
 History of Western Civilization II:  
 Modern European History  
 3-3-0

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

A survey of western civilization covers the period from the middle of the seventeenth century to the twenty-first century. The course begins with the Scientific Revolution, Enlightenment and the French Revolution, and then proceeds to look at other challenges in society and culture and the impact of the West on the rest of the world through imperialism, totalitarianism and conflict. The Cold War and the modern period conclude the course.

**Requisites**

*Previous Course Requirements*

None

*Concurrent Course Requirements*

None

LEARNING OUTCOMES Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:	LEARNING ACTIVITIES	EVALUATION METHODS
1. Examine the rise of modern society from the 17 <sup>th</sup> century through to the 21 <sup>st</sup> century.	Class Lecture and Discussion Primary and Secondary Source Readings and Internet-Based Resources (Maps, Graphics, and Video Clips) Essays and Other Reports Examinations, Quizzes and Other Forms of Evaluation Library Use AV Materials	Class Discussion Quizzes Written Examinations Primary Source Evaluations – Documents and Material Evidence Research Assignments – Written, Oral, Audiovisual Presentations

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2. Analyze the major topics, issues, and problems in modern European history.	Class Lecture and Discussion Primary and Secondary Source Readings and Internet-Based Resources (Maps, Graphics, and Video Clips) Essays and Other Reports Examinations, Quizzes and Other Forms of Evaluation Library Use AV Materials	Class Discussion Quizzes Written Examinations Primary Source Evaluations – Documents and Material Evidence Research Assignments – Written, Oral, Audiovisual Presentations
3. Analyze modern politics and society to develop informed opinions.	Class Lecture and Discussion Primary and Secondary Source Readings and Internet-Based Resources (Maps, Graphics, and Video Clips) Essays and Other Reports Examinations, Quizzes and Other Forms of Evaluation Library Use AV Materials	Class Discussion Quizzes Written Examinations Primary Source Evaluations – Documents and Material Evidence Research Assignments – Written, Oral, Audiovisual Presentations
4. Synthesize historical knowledge in relation to modern European history.	Class Lecture and Discussion Primary and Secondary Source Readings and Internet-Based Resources (Maps, Graphics, and Video Clips) Essays and Other Reports Examinations, Quizzes and Other Forms of Evaluation Library Use AV Materials	Class Discussion Quizzes Written Examinations Primary Source Evaluations – Documents and Material Evidence Research Assignments – Written, Oral, Audiovisual Presentations

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5. Examine the interaction of the West and the World from the 17 <sup>th</sup> century through to the 21 <sup>st</sup> century.	Class Lecture and Discussion Primary and Secondary Source Readings and Internet-Based Resources (Maps, Graphics, and Video Clips) Essays and Other Reports Examinations, Quizzes and Other Forms of Evaluation Library Use AV Materials	Class Discussion Quizzes Written Examinations Primary Source Evaluations – Documents and Material Evidence Research Assignments – Written, Oral, Audiovisual Presentations
6. Analyze ethical issues contained in Modern European history.	Class Lecture and Discussion Primary and Secondary Source Readings and Internet-Based Resources (Maps, Graphics, and Video Clips) Essays and Other Reports Examinations, Quizzes and Other Forms of Evaluation Library Use AV Materials	Class Discussion Quizzes Written Examinations Primary Source Evaluations – Documents and Material Evidence Research Assignments – Written, Oral, Audiovisual Presentations

At the conclusion of each semester/session, assessment of the learning outcomes will be completed by course faculty using the listed evaluation method(s). Aggregated results will be submitted to the Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs. The benchmark for each learning outcome is that *70% of students will meet or exceed outcome criteria.*

#### SEQUENCE OF TOPICS:

1. The Scientific Revolution and The Enlightenment
2. French Revolution
3. The Age of Napoleon
4. Industrial Revolution and the New Economy
5. The Conservative Order and Ideologies of Change
6. The Age of Nationalism
7. An Age of Modernity
8. The New Imperialism
9. World War I
10. The Russian Revolutions

11. Age of the Dictators
12. World War II
13. Post-World War II: Cold War and the Collapse of the Soviet Union
14. European Union

**LEARNING MATERIALS:**

Text(s) will be selected, as needed by the History Faculty.

Present selected text:

Hunt. (2010). *The Making of the West Peoples and Cultures, Vol. II.*

Other learning materials may be required and made available directly to the student and/or via the College's Libraries and/or course management system.

**COURSE APPROVAL:**

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*This course is consistent with Montgomery County Community College's mission. It was developed, approved and will be delivered in full compliance with the policies and procedures established by the College.*