History 104 Spring 2002 Syllabus

History 104: A Nation By Debate
Consensus and Conflict, the U.S. from 1865 to the Present

History 104, Spring Quarter 2002
Section: 22979
Lecture Meetings: Mon, Tues, Thur, and Fri 12:00-12:50
Lecture Hall: Miller Hall 104

Professor Marc Richards (or Dr. Marc Richards)
Office location: Bond 332
Office Hours: Mon 3:00-4:00 and Fri 3:00-5:00

Assigned Books

The following required books are available for purchase:

- Nation of Nations (Textbook: Concise Edition) Vol. II, 1865 to the Present by James West Davidson (Do not read chapters 20, 21, parts of 33, or 34. See each weeks reading assignment)
- Bread Givers by Anzia Yezierska
- Coming of Age in Mississippi by Anne Moody
- Brothers K by David Duncan

Course GRADE for Students writing a Term Paper

- Midterm in Identification format (Book theses required, terms by choice): 25%
- 6-8 page finished "Document Exercise" paper: 40%
- Final Exam in Identification format (Book theses required, terms by choice). This test will only be 50 minutes long: 35%

Course GRADE for Discussion Presenter Group Leaders

- Midterm in Identification format (Book theses required, terms by choice): 25%
- Your role as a Discussion Group leader: 40%
- Final Exam in Identification format (Book theses required, terms by choice). This test will only be 50 minutes long: 35%

The MIDTERM and FINAL exams will be in Identification format that will cover all of the course material readings, lectures, and student-led discussions

Course Schedule
Beginning during the third week, Thursday class meetings will be set aside for student-led DISCUSSION Presentations based on the assigned readings and topics as listed on the syllabus for that week. If you attend Thursday discussion meetings, you will have a chance to earn bonus points on the exams that could significantly boost your grade. Finish reading assignments by Thursday of the week during which they are assigned.

Week 1
Reading Assignment:
- Start Breadgivers
- Nation of Nations textbook: Ch. 17, pp. 441-465

Lectures and Discussions:
Tues Apr 2 Class Introduction: A Nation By Debate
Thur Apr 4 Discussion Presentations Meeting (Students writing a term paper need not attend)
Fri Apr 5 Term Paper Meeting (Discussion presenters need not attend)

Week 2
Reading Assignment:
- Continue Breadgivers
- Nation of Nations textbook: Ch. 18, pp. 466-497 and Ch. 19, pp. 498-524, and Ch. 22, pp. 594-625

Lectures and Discussions:
Mon Apr 8 The Unfinished Revolution
Tues Apr 9 The Unfinished Revolution Continued and Reconstruction Historiography
Thur Apr 11 The Nation Transformed
Fri Apr 12 Problems With Progress

Week 3
Reading Assignment:
- Finish Breadgivers
- Nation of Nations textbook: Ch. 23, pp. 626-657

Lectures and Discussions:
Mon Apr 15 Searching for Solutions
Tues Apr 16 On the World Stage
Thur Apr 18 First student-led Discussion covering: Bread Givers and 20th Century Immigration
Fri Apr 19 The First Total War

Week 4
Reading Assignment:
- Nation of Nations textbook: Ch. 24, pp. 658-686 and Ch. 25, pp. 687-711

Lectures and Discussions:
Mon Apr 22 Back to "Normal"
Tues Apr 23 The Depressed Nation
Thur Apr 25 student-led Discussion covering: History through Fashion after the Civil War to the Present
Fri Apr 26 The Doctor's Cure

Week 5
Reading Assignment:
- Nation of Nations textbook: Ch. 26, pp. 712-740 and Ch. 27, pp. 741-781
- Start Coming of Age in Mississippi

Lectures and Discussions:
Mon Apr 29 Not Again!: Another World War and its Legacy
Tues Apr 30 Populuxe 50s
Thur May 2 student-led Discussion covering: "Progress" in Military Technology in the 20C
Fri May 3 Midterm Review: Attendance Optional

Week 6
Reading Assignment:
- Nation of Nations textbook: Ch. 29, pp. 809-836 and Ch. 30, pp. 848-856
- Continue: Coming of Age in Mississippi

Lectures and Discussions:
Mon May 6 Midterm: will be an identification (I.D.) format (Book thesis required, terms by choice).
Bring a perfectly new, unaltered bluebook.

Tues May 7  The Crack in the Picture Window
Thur May 9  student-led Discussion covering: The 1950s Culture
Fri May 10  The First Protest: The Civil Rights Movement

Week 7
Reading Assignment:
- Finish: Coming of Age in Mississippi
- Start: Brothers K
- Nation of Nations textbook: Ch. 28, pp. 782-808

Lectures and Discussions:
Mon May 13  The Cold War as Total War: The Battlefront
Tues May 14  The Cold War Homefront
Thur May 16  student-led Discussion covering: After Coming of Age in Mississippi: The Radical Stage of the Civil Rights Movement
Fri May 17  Where In The World Was Vietnam

Week 8
Reading Assignment:
- Continue: Brothers K
- Nation of Nations textbook: Ch. 30, pp. 837-848 and Ch. 30, 856-866 and Ch. 31, pp. 867-896

Lectures and Discussions:
Mon May 20  Camelot: The Kennedy Mystique
Tues May 21  Towards a Great Society
Thur May 23  student-led Discussion covering: The Vietnam War and Western Washington University Protest
Fri May 24 "Years of Hope, Days of Rage": 1968

Week 9
Reading Assignment:
- Nation of Nations textbook: Ch. 32, pp. 897-922
- Finish: Brothers K

Lectures and Discussions:
Mon May 27  NO CLASS Memorial Day
Tues May 28  The Polarized Nation, Learning to Live Within Limits
Thur May 30  student-led Discussion covering: Youth Music after WWII to the Present
Fri May 31  The Liberation of Women

Fri May 31  Final 6-8 page Term Paper Due by non-volunteers. See handout for instructions.

Week 10
Reading Assignment:
- Nation of Nations textbook: Ch. 33, pp. Only 923-944

Mon June 3  Watergate
Tues June 4  The Pendulum Swings to the Right and the Second Cold War
Thur June 6  student-led Discussion covering: Your Generation: Reagan's America, the 1980s, and the New Conservatism.
Fri June 7  Guest Speakers on the Baby Boomers Experience

Fri June 7  Review for final: Attendance Optional. Time and classroom to be announced.

Final Exam
In an Identification (I.D.) format (Book theses required, terms by choice).
Wed. June 12, 8:00-8:50 p.m.
The final will only be 50 minutes long.