

Syllabus

Course Code: HIST 105

Title: World Civilization I

Institute: Business and Social Science

Department: History

Course Description: The course will provide a general understanding of the chief characteristics of human history up to 15000, as exemplified by the traditional cultures of Africa, the Middle East, China, Japan, India, Central Asia, the Americas and Europe. Emphasis will be placed on the institutions, values and interrelationships among people across the globe, and the achievements and contributions of individual civilizations to human history.

Prerequisites: READ 095 and ENGL 095 or satisfactory completion of the College's foundational studies requirement in reading and writing.

Corequisites: Click or tap here to enter text.

Credits: 3

Lecture Hours: 3

Lab/Studio Hours: 0

Required Textbook/Materials: Click "View Book Information" in "Section Information" on the college's website for a list of books required for this course.

Additional Time Requirements: For information on Brookdale's policy on credit hour requirements and outside class student work refer to [Academic Credit Hour Policy](#). (Identify open lab or other activities that are required if applicable)

Additional Support/Labs:

See <https://www.brookdalecc.edu/academic-tutoring/>

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Course Learning Outcomes:

- Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:
- Analyze the political, economic, religious, social, racial, and cultural developments of the world from pre-history to 1500.
- Write effectively in an expository manner and in a historical context.
- Compare historical analyses and evaluate historical documents.
- Evaluate the enormous diversity of experiences in pre-modern world history.

Course Content:

- First Things First: Beginnings in History To 600 B.C.E.
First Peoples; First Farmers: Most of History in a Single Chapter TO 3500 B.C.E.
First Civilizations: Cities, States, and Unequal Societies 3500 B.C.E.–600 B.C.E.
- Continuity and Change in the Second-Wave Era 600 B.C.E.–600 C.E.
State and Empire in Eurasia / North Africa 600 B.C.E.–600 C.E.
Culture and Religion in Eurasia / North Africa 600 B.C.E.–600 C.E.
Society and Inequality in Eurasia / North Africa 600 B.C.E.–600 C.E.
Commonalities and Variations: Africa, the Americas, and Pacific Oceania 600 B.C.E.–1200 C.E.
- Civilizations and Encounters during the Third-Wave Era
600–1450 Commerce and Culture 600–1450
China and the World: East Asian Connections 600–1300
The Worlds of Islam: Afro-Eurasian Connections 600–1450

The Worlds of Christendom: Contraction, Expansion, and Division 600–1450
Pastoral Peoples on the Global Stage: The Mongol Moment 1200–1450

The Worlds of the Fifteenth Century

Department Policies: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Grading Standard:

Students will achieve grades of A, A-, B+, B, B-, C+, C, D, or F according to the chart below:

100-93% = A
92-90% = A-
89-87% = B+
86-83% = B
82-80% = B-
79-77% = C+
76-70% = C
69-65% = D
Less than 65% = F

PLEASE SEE INDIVIDUAL INSTRUCTOR ADDENDUMS FOR GRADING POLICIES

College Policies:

As an academic institution, Brookdale facilitates the free exchange of ideas, upholds the virtues of civil discourse, and honors diverse perspectives informed by credible sources. Our College values all students and strives for inclusion and safety regardless of a student's disability, age, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, race, ethnicity, country of origin, immigration status, religious affiliation, political orientation, socioeconomic standing, and veteran status. For additional information, support services, and engagement opportunities, please visit www.brookdalecc.edu/support.

For information regarding:

- Academic Integrity Code
- Student Conduct Code
- Student Grade Appeal Process

Please refer to the [student handbook](#) and [catalog](#).

Notification for Students with Disabilities:

Brookdale Community College offers reasonable accommodations and/or services to persons with disabilities. Students with disabilities who wish to self-identify must contact the Accessibility Services Office at 732-224-2730 (voice) or 732-842-4211 (TTY) to provide appropriate documentation of the disability and request specific accommodations or services. If a student qualifies, reasonable accommodations and/or services, which are appropriate for the college level and are recommended in the documentation, can be approved.

Mental Health:

24/7/365 Resources:

- Monmouth Medical Center Psychiatric Emergency Services at **(732) 923-6999**
- 2nd Floor Youth Helpline – Available to talk with you about any problem, distress, or hardship you are experiencing. Call or text at **888-222-2228** or visit the website at <https://www.2ndfloor.org/>

Faculty Counselors:

- Students who need to make an appointment with a faculty counselor can do so by calling 732-224-1822 (non-emergency line) during business hours. Faculty counselors are licensed mental health professionals who can assist students and refer them to other mental health resources.

Diversity Statement:

Brookdale Community College fosters an environment of inclusion and belonging. We promote a safe and open culture, encourage dialogue respecting diverse perspectives informed by credible sources, and uphold the virtues of civil discourse. We celebrate all identities with the understanding that ultimately, diversity, equity, and inclusion cultivate belonging and make us a stronger Brookdale community.

**The syllabus is intended to give student guidance in what may be covered during the semester and will be followed as closely as possible. However, the faculty member reserves the right to modify, supplement, and make changes as the need arise.*