

Northeastern University
Department of History
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HST 3503 - Approaches to World History
Wednesday, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
206 Meserve

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Course Outline (preliminary version, 20 November 1995)

This graduate-level course surveys -- rapidly -- the content of world history and the approaches of world historians. It is designed to provide guidance to students preparing to teach world history at college and high school levels, and to those seeking background for more specialized topical, temporal and regional study of world history.

Each class will include an hour of lecture and an hour of discussion and reports. In both lecture and discussion, we will balance our emphasis between (A) content and conceptualization of world history and (B) teaching materials and teaching techniques in world history.

Required texts:

Andrea and Overfield, *The human record*, 2 vols. (weeks 2-10)
Gills and Frank, *The world system: 500 years or 5000?* (week 2)
Niane, *Sundiata*, an epic of old Mali (week 6)
Crosby, *The Columbian exchange* (week 7)
Voltaire, *Candide* (week 8)

Additional readings and handouts:

Bibliography of major works in world history
Bibliography of teaching materials in world history
Reserved readings, required and optional
Drafts of writings in progress by the instructor

Student assignments:

Critique of a world history textbook
Conceptual paper in world history (3000 words)
Thematic paper in world history (3000 words)

Topics of weekly lectures and discussion:

1. January 3. Framework and Method.
2. January 10. Early history.
Reading: Gills and Frank, *The world system*
3. January 17. Civilizations.
4. January 24. The classical era. Interactions.
5. January 31. Medieval era.
6. February 7. Medieval era.
Reading: Niane, *Sundiata*
7. February 14. Early modern era.
Reading: Crosby, *The Columbian Exchange*
8. February 21. Eighteenth century.

- Reading: Voltaire, Candide
 9. February 28. Nineteenth century.
 10. March 6. Twentieth century.
 11. March 13. Review.

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Packet:

1. C. Stringer, +ACI-The Emergence of Modern Humans,+ACI- Scientific American (December 1990)
2. L. Cavalli-Sforza, +ACI-Genes, Peoples and Languages,+ACI- Scientific American (November 1991)
3. C. Renfrew, +ACI-World Linguistic Diversity,+ACI- Scientific American (January 1994)
4. J. Greenberg +ACY- M. Ruhlen, +ACI-Linguistic Origins of Native Americans,+ACI- Scientific American (November 1992).
5. Jerry H. Bentley, +ACI-Cross-Cultural Interaction in World History,+ACI- forthcoming in American Historical Review and
Periodization
(forthcoming, American Historical Review)P. , +ACI-Person and Nation:
The World Since
1700+ACI- (selections in draft form)and Periodization

6. William H. McNeill, +ACI-The Rise of the West after twenty-five years,+ACI- Journal of World History 1 (1990), 1-22.

7. David Christian, +ACI-The Case for 'Big History',+ACI- Journal of World History 2 (1991),
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World History Texts:

1. Craig, Albert M., et al, The Heritage of World Civilizations, 3rd ed. (Macmillan, 1994)
2. Duiker, William J., and J. J. Spielvogel, World History (West, 1994)
3. Greaves, Richard L, et al, Civilizations of the World: The Human Adventure, 2nd ed. (Harper Collins, 1993)
4. Kishlansky, Mark, et al, Societies and Cultures in World History (Harper Collins, 1995)
5. McKay
6. McNeill, William H., A History of the Human Community, 4th ed. (Prentice-Hall, 1993)
7. Meyer, Marc Anthony, The Search for Order: Landmarks of World Civilizations (Dushkin, 1994)
8. Reilly, Kevin,
9. Stearns, Peter N., et al, The Global Experience of World Civilizations (Harper Collins, 1992)
10. Strayer, Robert W., et al, The Making of the Modern World: Connected Histories, Divergent Paths, 2nd ed. (St. Martin's, 1995)
11. Upshur
12. Wallbank, T. Walter, et al, Civilization Past and Present, 7th ed. (Harper Collins, 1992)
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