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**Course Syllabus
Chaminade University of Honolulu**

**History 151: World Civilizations I
Dr. Yamasaki**

Course Description

Survey of world history from earliest times to about 1500. This course attempts to link students with major people, events and developments that shaped the world we live in.

Course Objectives

After completing this course, students will have...

- a working knowledge of the key people, events and developments in world history.
- refined their reading, writing, speaking and cognitive skills.
- engaged in learning that embodies cooperation, self-discipline, caring and mutual respect.
- developed their concern for social justice, ethics and civic responsibilities.

Course Requirements

- Regularly attend and actively participate in class meetings. Turn in short writing assignments.
- Take four examinations during the semester.
- Write two historical essays.
- Turn assignments in on time: All assignments are to be turned in to the instructor, in class, during the class hour, on the day they are due. Papers turned in to the instructor's mailbox or under his office door will not be accepted. For short writing assignments, no late papers will be accepted. For historical essays, 5 points will be deducted for each class meeting beyond the due date.

Grades

Participation in class activities and short writing assignments	100 points
Examinations (2 exams 100 points each)	300 points
Historical essays (2 essays, 100 points each)	200 points

550-600 points = A; 490-549 = B; 420-489 = C; 360-419 = D; Below 360 = F.

Course Outline

- Week 1: Orientation / Before Civilization / Defining Civilization
- Week 2: History of Ancient Egypt and the Middle East
- Week 3: History of Ancient India and China
- Week 4: Indian Religions and Philosophies: Hinduism, Jainism and Buddhism
- Week 5: Early Chinese Schools of Thought: Confucianism, Daoism and Legalism
- Week 6: **First Examination** / History of Early Greece
- Week 7: Rise of the Greek Polis / Classical Greece / **First Historical Essay Due**
- Week 8: Greek Heritage: Philosophy and Drama
- Week 9: History of Ancient Rome: Republic and Empire
- Week 10: Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire
- Week 11: **Second Examination** / Early Christianity
- Week 12: History of Medieval Europe
- Week 13: History of Early Japan: Heian and Samurai Periods
- Week 14: History of Renaissance Europe / **Second Historical Essay Due**
- Week 15: Review of the World Before 1500
- Week 16: **Third Examination**

Texts

McKay et al, *A History of World Societies, Volume 1*
Yamasaki, *History 151: World Civilizations I*

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