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Chaminade University of Honolulu  
Summer Evening Program  
History 15150  
World Civilizations I  
July 5-September 13, 2000  
Barbers Point--Bldg. 55

**INSTRUCTOR:** Dr. James P. Fitzsimmons

**TEXT:** Adler. World Civilizations. Volume I: To 1600. Second Edition.

**ORGANIZATION:** This course consists of 10 classes as outlined below. Classes—on Friday—begin at 5:30 p.m. and end at 9:40 p.m. The format of the course is lecture/discussion, but several videos will be shown and there may be a guest speaker and/or a field trip.

**GRADES:** Your final grade in the course will be based upon your attendance, participation and performance on the examinations and course paper. There will be two examinations, a Mid-Term and a Final, and one course paper, of moderate length. The Mid-Term examination will cover about half of the book, up through Chapter 13, and the Final will cover the rest of the text. Attendance, the exams and paper will each count for 25%. However, should your Final Exam and course paper show considerable improvement over your earlier effort, they will be given greater significance. Each exam will consist of both objective and essay questions.

**COURSE PAPERS:** The nature and content of the course paper will be discussed in class.

**ATTENDANCE:** University regulations require that attendance be taken and that instances of two (2) consecutive unexcused/unreported absences be reported to the Dean. This policy will be followed. Attendance, participation and communication with the instructor regarding absences and other course matters **ARE A MUST** and are part of your grade. It is practically impossible to be successful in this course without attending the classes. Please note that no one will pass the course unless the examinations and paper are successfully completed.

**PROCEDURES:** Please feel free to ask questions during class sessions. Your active participation in classroom discussions is greatly encouraged.

**GENERAL OVERVIEW:** The course will consist of a survey of world civilizations from prehistory to 1600 A.D.+ Political, economic, social and cultural forces which have continued to play a role in world history will be particularly focused on.

**July 7:** Course Introduction--

**July 14:** Chapters 1-3—Prehistory—Mesopotamia--Egypt--

**July 21:** Chapters 4-6—Near East—India--Ancient China--

**July 28:** Chapters 7-9—Ancient Ordinary Lives—Greek Adventure--Hellenic Culture--

**August 4:** Chapters 10-12—Hellenistic Civilization—Roman Republic--Roman Empire--**MID-TERM EXAMINATION**--

**August 11:** Chapters 13-15—Classical Ordinary Lives—Rome and Europe--Islam--

**August 18:** Chapters 16-18—Mature Islam--Indian Civilization--Middle Empire--

**August 25:** Chapters 19-21—Japan and Southeast Asia—Africa--Pre-Columbian Americas--

**September 1:** Chapters 22-24—Ordinary Non-Western Life--High Medieval Age—Late Medieval Troubles--

**September 8:** Chapters 25-27--European Renaissance--Larger World Opens--Protestant Reformation--**FINAL EXAMINATION**—**LONG PAPER DUE**--