

**CHAMINADE UNIVERSITY** FALL EVENING SEMESTER, 1999 U. S. HISTORY 304: America Between the Wars KANEOHE M.C.B.H.

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ORGANIZATION: The course consists of 10 classes as outlined below. Classes begin at 5:30 p.m. and end at 9:40 p.m. The format of the course is lecture, but there will be film presentations and some class discussion.

GRADES: Your grade for this course will be determined by your performance on the mid-term and final examinations and on your research paper. The mid-term and paper will account for 30% each and the final will count for 40%. However, your final exam will be given greater consideration should it demonstrate substantial improvement over your mid-term. Each exam will consist of essay questions that will require you to write a series of paragraphs consisting of complete sentences. Please bring paper, preferably 8 1/2" x 11", to the exams. If you would like to have your final returned, please bring a self-addressed stamped envelope. Your grade for the course will be written on your final examination paper. No one will pass the course unless both examinations and the research paper are completed.

TEXTS: The Perils of Prosperity, 1914-32, William E. Leuchtenburg Franklin D. Roosevelt and the New Deal, 1932-1940, William E. Leuchtenburg

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. In addition, it is virtually impossible to be successful in this course without attending the classes.

PROCEDURES: Please feel free to ask guestions at any time during the classes. The use of sound recorders is strongly discouraged as they will inhibit your academic development.

GENERAL OVERVIEW: During this period the nation opted for isolation by not joining the League of Nations, survived the Great Depression and emerged as a world power after World War II.

October 7:

Course Background; World War I

October 14:

Treaty of Versailles: "Normalcy"

October 21:

Foreign Relations in the 20's; Latin America, Asia, Europe

October 28:

The Roaring Twenties; Domestic; The Crash

November 4:

Mid-term Exam; Herbert Hoover

November 18:

Franklin D. Roosevelt and the New Deal

December 2:

Foreign Affairs in the Thirties

December 9:

World War II and the Cold War

December 14 (Tues):

Post World War II; the origins of the Cold War

December 16: Final

Research Paper: The purpose of this assignment is to expand your horizons and allow you to pursue an area of particular interest and express your interpretation. You may select any topic within the scope of this course. It is preferred that you consult sources with conflicting interpretations. The paper should be a minimum of three (3) pages. The paper is due on or before December 9.

Examples of topics: Wilsonian Idealism The Red Scare The Eighteenth Amendment The Candidacy of Al Smith in 1928 The Opposition to F. D. R. in the 1930's Yalta

The Decision to Drop the Bomb

## CHAMINADE UNIVERSITY, FALL SEMESTER, 1999 HISTORY 202: AMERICA: SINCE THE CIVIL WAR PEARL HARBOR, 11:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

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<u>ORGANIZATION:</u> This course consists of 40 classes as outlined below. Classes begin at 11:30 a.m. and end at 12:30 p.m. The format of the course is lecture, but there will be films and some class discussions.

GRADES: Your final grade in this course is derived from your performances on the examinations and on your paper. There will be four examinations. The first will cover 1877 through the end of World War I. The second will cover the Roaring Twenties, The Great Depression and World War II. The third will cover the origins of the Cold War, the 1950's and part of the turbulent 1960's. The final will cover the remainder of the 1960's through the present. Each exam and the paper will count for 20%. However, should your final exam show substantial improvement over your previous efforts, it will be given greater significance. Each exam will consist of essay questions which will require you to write a series of paragraphs consisting of complete sentences. Please bring paper, preferably 8 1/2 x 11", to the exams. If you would like to have your final examination returned, please bring a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Your grade for the course will be included on your final examination paper. Please note that no one will pass the course unless the examinations and the paper are completed.

<u>PAPER:</u> Write a review of one of the three (3) parts of the text. Do not simply regurgitate the contents of the text but explain what you learned from it. The paper should be about four or five pages and should be turned in on **December 10**.

TEXT: The American People, Volume II, Brief Edition, Nash, et al

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<u>PROCEDURES:</u> Please ask questions at any time during the classes. The use of sound recorders is strongly discouraged as they will inhibit your academic development.

<u>GENERAL OVERVIEW:</u> A survey of events and influences which created the political, economic and social climates of the modern United States.

October 4, 5, 6, 8, 12, 13, 15:

Course Introduction; The Late 19th Century; Populism; Expansion; Progressivism; World War I

October 18: First Exam

October 19, 20, 22, 25, 26, 27, 29, November 1, 2, 3:

Aftermath; The Roaring Twenties; The Great Depression; World War ||

November 5: Second Exam

November 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 19, 22, 23, 24:

The Origins of the Cold War: The 1950's: The 1960's: Foreign Affairs

November 29: Third Exam

November 30, December 1, 3, 6, 7, 8, 10, 13, 14:

Civil Rights; Nixon to the Present

December 15: Final