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U. S. HISTORY 304: America Between the Wars
Fort Shafter

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 questions 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.

January 11:	Course Background; World War I
January 25:	Treaty of Versailles; "Normalcy"
February 1:	Foreign Relations in the 20's; Latin America, Asia, Europe
February 8:	The Roaring Twenties; Domestic; The Crash
February 22:	Mid-term Exam; Herbert Hoover
March 1:	Franklin D. Roosevelt and the New Deal
March 8:	Foreign Affairs in the Thirties
March 15:	World War II and the Cold War
March 22:	Post World War II; the origins of the Cold War
March 24:	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 March 15.

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