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Chaminade University of Honolulu
Winter Interim 2001
History/Political Science 32420
Modern Europe History, Politics & Culture
December 18, 2000-January 4, 2001
Kaneohe MCBH--BLDG, 219 & 220

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

<u>TEXT</u>: Palmer, R.R. and Colton, Joel. <u>A History of the Modern World Since 1815</u>. Eighth Edition.

ORGANIZATION: This course consists of 10 classes as outlined below. Classes—on Weekdays—run from 5:30 p.m. to 9:40 p.m.—and on Saturday— from 8:00 a.m. to 12:10 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 XVI, 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 PAPER: The nature and content of the course paper will be discussed in class.

<u>ATTENDANCE</u>: 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 <u>ARE A MUST</u> 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.

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

<u>GENERAL OVERVIEW</u>: The course will consist of a survey of European history, from 1815 to the present—its nature, dynamics, major events and figures; an understanding of the meaning and relevance of this history for our own time will be striven for.

<u>December 18</u>: Course Introduction—Geography—Prologue--

December 19: Chapters XI-XII--Industrial/Political Revolution and Reaction--

December 20: Chapter XIII—European Unifications-

December 22: Chapters XIV-XV—European Civilization and World Supremacy-

December 23: Chapter XVI—First World War—MID-TERM EXAMINATION--

December 27: Chapter XVII—Russian Revolution/the Soviet Union—

<u>December 28</u>: Chapters XVIII-XIX—Democracy—Depression--Dictatorship--

December 29: Chapters XX-XXI—Second World War--Post War World--

January 2: Chapters XXII-XXIII—End of Europe's Dominance—Cold War-

<u>January 4</u>: Chapter XXIV—A World Transformed--<u>FINAL EXAMINATION</u>—<u>COURSE PAPER DUE</u>--