

COLLIN COLLEGE COURSE SYLLABUS-FALL 2020

Course No.: HIST 2301

Course Title: Texas History

Course Description: A survey of the political, social, economic, cultural, and intellectual history of Texas from pre-Columbian era to the present. Themes that may be addressed in Texas History include: Spanish colonization and Spanish Texas; Mexican Texas; the Republic of Texas; statehood and secession; oil, industrialization, and urbanization; civil rights; and modern Texas. Prerequisite: Meet TSI college-readiness standard for Reading and Writing; or equivalent. 3 credit hours. (A).

Course Credit Hours: 3

Lecture Hours: 3

Placement Assessments: Placement in ENGL1301; College-Level Reading.

Student Learning Outcomes:

Upon successful completion of this course, students will:

1. Create an argument through the use of historical evidence (Critical Thinking; Communication Skills; Personal Responsibility; Social Responsibility).
2. Analyze and interpret primary and secondary sources (Critical Thinking; Communication Skills; Personal Responsibility; Social Responsibility).
3. Analyze the effects of historical, social, political, economic, cultural, and global forces on Texas history (Critical Thinking; Communication Skills; Personal Responsibility; Social Responsibility).

Withdrawal Policy: If you are unable to complete the course, you must withdraw by Friday, March 20, 2020.

Students are responsible for officially withdrawing themselves from the course; failure to do so by the official withdrawal date will result in a performance grade of "F." To withdraw without a grade of "W" you must do so before Mon., February 3, 2020.

Repeat Policy: Beginning Fall 2016, Texas residents attempting a course more than twice at Collin College are subject to regular tuition plus an additional \$50 per semester credit hour. Undergraduate courses attempted at Collin College with a graded status of A, B, C, D, F, I, W (withdrawals after census), and AU (Audit) will be evaluated for repeat limits.

Incomplete Policy: The "I" grade is assigned only for extenuating circumstances. Incomplete contracts must be agreed to and signed by the student, professor, chair and appropriate academic dean before the end of the term in order for a grade of "I" to be assigned.

Academic Ethics Statement: Every member of the Collin College community is expected to maintain the highest standards of academic integrity. Collin College may initiate disciplinary proceedings against a student accused of scholastic dishonesty. Scholastic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, statements, acts, or omissions related to applications for enrollment or the award of a degree, and/or the submission of one's own work material that is not one's own. Scholastic dishonesty may involve, but is not limited to, one or more of the following acts: cheating, plagiarism, collusion, use of annotated texts or teacher's editions, use of information about exams posted on the Internet or electronic medium, and/or falsifying academic records. While specific examples are listed below, this is not an exhaustive list and scholastic dishonesty may encompass other conduct, including any conduct through electronic or computerized means:

Plagiarism is the use of an author's words or ideas as if they were one's own without giving credit to the source, including, but not limited to, failure to acknowledge a direct quotation.

Cheating is the willful giving or receiving of information in an unauthorized manner during an examination; collaborating with another student during an examination without authority; using, buying, selling, soliciting, stealing, or otherwise obtaining course assignments and/or examination questions in advance, copying computer or Internet files, using someone else's work for assignments as if it were one's own; or any other dishonest means of attempting to fulfill the requirements of a course.

Collusion is intentionally or unintentionally aiding or attempting to aid another in an act of scholastic dishonesty, including but not limited to, failing to secure academic work; providing a paper or project to another student; providing an inappropriate level of assistance; communicating answers to a classmate about an examination or any other course assignment; removing tests or answer sheets from a test site, and allowing a classmate to copy answers.

See the current *Collin Student Handbook* for additional information.

Those found to have taken part in academic dishonesty will receive a zero on the assignment or exam and the instructor will report the event to the Dean of Students Office.

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Compliance: Collin College will adhere to all applicable Federal, State and local laws, regulations and guidelines with respect to providing reasonable accommodations as required to afford equal educational opportunity. It is the student's responsibility to contact the ACCESS office (SCC-G-200) or 972-881-5898 (V/TDD-972-881-5950) to arrange for appropriate accommodations. See the current *Collin College Student Handbook* for additional information.

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Class Information

Section No.: S01

Meeting Times: MWF, 12-12:50 p.m. (except college holidays)

Meeting Location: Spring Creek Campus, A-214

Minimum Technology Requirement: Must be familiar with the use of a personal computer (PC or MAC) and the Internet (World Wide Web and Email)

Minimum Student Skills: Student must be able to function at a U.S. high school graduate level (or equivalent) in regard to reading, writing, and basic math skills.

Netiquette Expectations: When sending email to the instructor, each student is expected to identify him or herself by name and the course in which he or she is enrolled.

Required Textbook: Randolph B. Campbell, *Gone to Texas: A History of the Lone Star State* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2017). ISBN: 978-0190642396.

Course Resources: This syllabus and other course resources are available online at the instructor's website (<http://profbutler.watermelon-kid.com/>).

Supplies: One Scantron (Form no. 882-E).

Attendance Policy: *Attendance is required* and counts for twenty (20) percent of the student's overall grade. Each student who attends all class sessions, is never tardy, and never leaves early will receive an attendance grade of 100 (one-hundred) for the course. The student's attendance grade will be lowered proportionally for each unexcused absence, tardy and/or early departure. If a situation arises unexpectedly over which the student has little or no control such as illness, a death in the family, auto accident, etc., or participation in an official college-related activity, which can be corroborated by documentary evidence, the absence will be excused. Absences due to student choice (such as, but not limited to, a vacation) will **not** be excused. In order to avoid having an unexcused absence, students should exercise care, whenever possible, not to schedule any appointment, vacation, or any other activity of choice during periods when the college is open, and classes are in session.

Students who need to arrive late or leave early should inform the professor ahead of time by email and also verbally at the beginning of class, while citing the reason for the expected lateness or early departure.

Non-attendance on a religious holy day will only be excused if a student notifies the professor of his or her expected absence, in writing, within the first 15 days of the semester, as required by official college policy.

Method of Evaluation:

COURSE CONTENT EXAMS:

- There will be four course-content exams administered online (on **CANVAS**) at regular intervals during the semester. Each exam counts for ten percent (10%) of your course grade, for a total of forty percent (40%).
- Each online exam consists of 50 mostly multiple-choice questions, which must be completed at one sitting and within a time limit of 1 hour, by the deadline date(s) shown in the course calendar below.
- There will also be a comprehensive Final Exam, consisting of 100 mostly-multiple choice questions, to be administered in class on Final Exam day. The Final Exam counts for twenty percent (20%) of your course grade.

ADDITIONAL READING EXERCISES:

- At regular intervals during the semester, students will complete four *Additional Reading Exercises (AREs)*, which require reading and answering questions about a variety of primary source documents (available in text form on the Internet, from resource links provided by the professor). *AREs* are available for downloading and/or printing from the "Additional Reading" section of the professor's website. Each *ARE* counts for two and a half percent (2.5%) of your grade, for a total of ten percent (10%).
- Each *ARE* consists of 50 mostly multiple-choice questions, to be answered online (on **CANVAS**). The deadline for completion of each *ARE* is shown in the course calendar below.

MAP EXERCISES:

- At regular intervals during the semester, students will complete four *Map Exercises*, which require answering questions about a variety of both modern and antique maps (viewable on the professor's website). Each *Map Exercise* or *MAPEX* counts for two and a half percent (2.5%) of your grade, for a total of ten percent (10%). *MAPEXs* are available for downloading and/or printing from the "Additional Reading" section of the professor's website.
- Each *MAPEX* consists of 25 mostly multiple-choice questions, to be answered online (on **CANVAS**). The deadline for completion of each *MAPEX* is shown in the course calendar below.

EVALUATION CHART

Evaluation Item	Percentage of Course Grade
ARE1 (Assignment)	2.5%
MAPEX1 (Assignment)	2.5%
EXAM1	10%
ARE2 (Assignment)	2.5%
MAPEX2 (Assignment)	2.5%
EXAM2	10%
ARE3 (Assignment)	2.5%
MAPEX3 (Assignment)	2.5%
EXAM3	10%
ARE4 (Assignment)	2.5%
MAPEX4 (Assignment)	2.5%
EXAM4	10%
FINAL EXAM	20%
Attendance	20%
TOTAL OF ALL ITEMS	100%

Grading Scale:

- A= 90% or better
- B= 80-89%
- C= 70-79%
- D= 60-69%
- F= 59% or less

Course Requirements

- Read all assigned course materials, including textbook
- Complete all exercises and exams

Methods of Presentation

Lectures, discussions, Internet websites, maps, PowerPoint presentations and videos are among the teaching techniques and/or materials that may be used.

Make-up Exam Policy:

Any student who fails for any reason to take an exam on the scheduled date will have two choices: Either take a zero (0) for the missed exam (which is not recommended), or exercise the Replacement Credit Option (RCO), explained below. *However, students are warned that exercising the RCO to make up a missing exam may only be done once.* If a student misses any further exams, he or she will have no choice but to take a zero (0) for the missed exam(s) unless the absence(s) is/are due to extenuating circumstances beyond the student's control (for which the student must provide suitable documentary evidence).

Students are warned that if an absence on an exam day is due to vacation plans, no make up work of any kind, including the RCO, will be permitted. Students should make their vacation or holiday plans for periods of time (such as between semesters) when school is not session.

Late Work and Retakes

Without documentary evidence of extenuating circumstances, no student will allowed to complete any assignment or to take an exam after the deadline has passed. No retakes either.

Replacement Credit Option (RCO):

An individual *Replacement Credit Option (RCO)* may be exercised, *one time only*, to replace a student's lowest online exam score. Students with low course averages are advised to consult the professor before proceeding. For details, see the "Forms and Information section of the professor's website (http://profbutler.watermelon-kid.com/students/forms_and_info/forms_and_info.htm). **NOTE:** The RCO may **not** be exercised in lieu of the Final Exam. Any student who exercises the RCO but fails to take the Final Exam will receive a zero (0) as a Final Exam grade.

ADDITIONAL NOTE: *If the RCO score is the same as or lower than the student's lowest online exam score, the RCO score will be applied to the student's two lowest exercise scores instead.*

Getting Help:

Poor attendance, failure to read the assigned material, and/or failure to pay attention in class will almost certainly result in a low or failing grade. This is easily remedied by regular attendance, reading the assigned material, and being engaged in the classroom. If there are other barriers to learning less easily addressed, students are strongly urged to seek help, *as early in the semester as possible*, in the form of tutoring, which is one of the many services offered by the college to assist students in successfully completing their studies. *Students wanting information about Tutoring Services should contact the Advisor/Tutor Coordinator at 972-881-5128.* Students having trouble academically are also encouraged to form study groups with other students in the class.

College Repeat Policy: You may repeat this course only once after receiving a grade, including "W."

Religious Holy Days:

Please refer to the current Collin County Community College Handbook, Section 2 Policies and Procedures, Sub-section 2.23, Religious Holidays, which reads: "In accordance with section 51.911 of the Texas Education Code, CCCCD will allow a student who is absent from class for the observance of a religious holy day to take an examination or complete an assignment scheduled for that day within a reasonable time. Students are required to file a written request with each professor within the first 15 days of the semester to qualify for an excused absence. A copy of the state rules and procedures regarding holy days and the form for notification of absence from each class under this provision are available from the Admissions and Records Office."

General Behavior:

Students are expected to conduct themselves in a courteous and responsible adult manner. Profanity, insulting remarks, and other inappropriate language have no place in the classroom. Reading newspapers or magazines, working out crossword or other types of puzzles, sleeping, or any other behavior that makes it clear the student is not paying attention to the lesson is not permitted. Any student who exhibits inappropriate behavior may be asked to leave the classroom.

Please familiarize yourself with and observe the rules and regulations of the Collin County Community College District.

Electronic Devices

Students are expected to give their full attention to the lesson and to exercise common courtesy toward their fellow classmates and professor by turning off all cell phones, pagers and/or any similar electronic devices prior to class start time. Even "texting" is not permitted. If there are extenuating circumstances requiring the student to leave the cell phone/pager on, he/she must obtain permission from the professor prior to class start time.

The use of laptop computers, Ipods, tablets, or any other electronic devices (except translating devices, with permission) during class is not permitted.

Every detected violation of this policy will result in 1 (one) point being deducted from the student's final grade average.

Exceptions to the policy will be permitted upon presentation of an official ACCESS office accommodations letter.

Food and Drink in Classroom

Non-alcoholic beverages will be permitted in the classroom, but each student must take full responsibility to remove bottles, trash, etc. from the learning environment and to deposit trash in appropriate receptacles outside the classroom.

Only non-alcoholic beverages such as coffee, tea, water, carbonated drinks, and fruit juices will be permitted. *Additionally, beverages must be in a spill-proof container. No open topped containers, including cans, will be permitted.*

The eating of food of any kind will not be permitted in the classroom at any time, including before and after the lesson.

Every detected violation of this policy will result in 1 (one) point being deducted from the student's final grade average.

Generic Syllabus:

A generic syllabus for this course may be viewed at:
<http://iws.ccccd.edu/syllabus/depot/HIST1301.pdf>

Disclaimer: Students are responsible for reading and following the rules and requirements of the course as outlined in this syllabus, which the instructor reserves the right to amend as necessary.

COURSE CALENDAR
(All Topic Dates and Exercise and Exam Deadlines Subject to Possible Change)

Class No.	Date	Topic	Textbook Reading
01	Wed., Jan. 22	Orientation	Not Applicable
02	Fri., Jan. 24	Orientation	Not Applicable
03	Mon., Jan. 27	The Land	
04	Wed., Jan. 29	The Land	
05	Fri., Jan. 31	The First Texans	Ch. 1
06	Mon., Feb. 3	The First Texans	Ch. 1
07	Wed., Feb. 5	Exploration and Adventure	Ch. 2
08	Fri., Feb. 7	Exploration and Adventure	Ch. 2
09	Mon., Feb. 10	Spanish Texas	Ch. 3
10	Wed., Feb. 12	Spanish Texas	Ch. 4
11	Fri., Feb. 14	Mexican Texas	Ch. 5
CANVAS	Sun., Feb. 16	ARE1 and MAPEX1 Deadline	Not Applicable
12	Mon., Feb. 17	Mexican Texas	Ch. 5
13	Wed., Feb. 19	The Texas Revolution	Ch. 6
14	Fri., Feb. 21	The Texas Revolution	Ch. 6
CANVAS	Sun., Feb. 23	EXAM 1 Deadline	Not Applicable
15	Mon., Feb. 24	The Republic of Texas	Ch. 7
16	Wed., Feb. 26	The Republic of Texas	Ch. 7
17	Fri., Feb. 28	The Republic of Texas	Ch. 7
18	Mon., March 2	The Annexation of Texas	Ch. 7
19	Wed., March 4	Texas and the U.S.-Mexican War	Ch. 7
20	Fri., March 6	Texas and the U.S.-Mexican War	Ch. 7
CANVAS	Sun., March 8	ARE2 and MAPEX2 Deadline	Not Applicable
—	Mon., March 9– Sun., March 15	SPRING BREAK	Not Applicable
21	Mon., March 16	Frontier Texas	Ch. 8
22	Wed., March 18	Empire State of the South	Ch. 9
23	Fri., March 20	Empire State of the South	Ch. 9
CANVAS	Sun., March 22	EXAM 2 Deadline	Not Applicable
24	Mon., March 23	Texas and the Civil War	Ch. 10
25	Wed., March 25	Texas and the Civil War	Ch. 10
26	Fri., March 27	Texas and the Civil War	Ch. 10
27	Mon., March 30	Texas and Reconstruction	Ch. 11
28	Wed., April 1	Texas and Reconstruction	Ch. 11
29	Fri., April 3	Old West and New South	Ch. 12
CANVAS	Sun., April 5	ARE3 and MAPEX3 Deadline	Not Applicable
30	Mon., April 6	Old West and New South	Ch. 12
31	Wed., April 8	Old West and New South	Ch. 12
—	Fri., April 10	SPRING HOLIDAY	Not Applicable
CANVAS	Sun., April 12	EXAM 3 Deadline	Not Applicable
32	Mon., April 13	An Era of Reform	Ch. 13
33	Wed., April 15	An Era of Reform	Ch. 13
34	Fri., April 17	The 1920s	Ch. 14
35	Mon., April 20	The 1920s	Ch. 14

36	Wed., April 22	Texas and the Great Depression	Ch. 14
37	Fri., April 24	Texas and the Great Depression	Ch. 14
38	Mon., April 27	Texas and World War II	Ch. 15
39	Wed., April 29	Texas and World War II	Ch. 15
40	Fri., May 1	The Rise of Modern Texas	Ch. 15
CANVAS	Sun., May 3	ARE4 and MAPEX4 Deadline	Not Applicable
41	Mon., May 4	The Rise of Modern Texas	Ch. 15
42	Wed., May 6	Modern Texas	Ch. 16
43	Fri., May 8	Modern Texas	Ch. 16
CANVAS	Sun., May 10	EXAM 4 Deadline	Not Applicable
44	Fri., May 15	FINAL EXAM	Not Applicable

All deadlines are 11:59 p.m. (one minute to midnight) on the date indicated.

All exercises will be open until 11:59 p.m. on the deadline date.

Online exams will open immediately following the end of class at the conclusion of the lecture portion of each part of the course and will remain open until 11:59 p.m. on the deadline date.