

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN  
DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY  
SUMMER 1995

**HISTORY 102**  
1641 Humanities

**MR. SCHULTZ**  
2:35-3:50 MTWR

Texts:

Davidson, James W., et al, Nation of Nations (2d ed), vol. II  
Marcus, Robert & Burner, David, America Firsthand, vol. II  
Sinclair, Upton, The Jungle  
Polenberg, Richard, One Nation Divisible  
The Autobiography of Malcolm X

Examinations:

There will be two examinations, one scheduled on July 13th, the second a final examination on August 10th. Both examinations will be essay and short answer questions and will take place in class. The instructor will hand out study questions in advance of each examination.

Because of the pressures of time and the amount of material in the course, you must do the reading promptly and regularly. If you fall behind, you will find catching-up difficult. You also will profit more from the lectures and discussion of the material when you have read about the topic in advance.

Writing Assignment:

All students enrolled in the course will write one short (5-8 pages) essay in response to one of ten topic sentences to be handed out in class. Readings for the essay may include portions of the assigned readings for the course, but also will include additional reading on the topic. The instructor will guide you in selection of bibliography. The paper is due no later than August 3.

Grading Policies:

We will evaluate your work in the course based upon the examinations, writing assignment, and regular attendance at lectures. Improvement in performance over the course will always result in a higher grade; in cases where a final grade hovers between two possibilities, the student whose work has shown improvement will receive the higher of the two possibilities.

COURSE OUTLINEI THE RECONSTRUCTION OF AMERICAN SOCIETY, 1865-1919

| LECTURE TOPICS                                  | DATE    |
|---|---------|
| Introduction to the Course                      | June 19 |
| Reconstructing the Nation                       | 20      |
| The "New South"? Promises and Propaganda        | 21      |
| Which Old West and Whose?                       | 22      |
| The Gilded Age and the Politics of Corruption   | 26      |
| Businessmen and "That Creature" the Corporation | 27      |
| Labor and the Workers' Search for Power         | 28      |
| Foreign Immigrants in Industrial America        | 29      |
| The Great Migration: Blacks in White America    | July 3  |
| How Ya' Gonna' Keep 'Em Down on the Farm?       | 5       |
| The Dawn of Liberalism                          | 6       |
| The Policeman of the World                      | 10      |
| Women, Feminism, and Sex in Progressive America | 11      |

\*\*\* Review for Mid-Term, July 12 \*\*\*

\*\*\* MID-TERM EXAMINATION, July 13 \*\*\*

II THE REDIRECTION OF AMERICAN SOCIETY, 1919-PRESENT

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|---|---------|
| The Politics of Prosperity: the 1920s       | July 17 |
| Crashing Hopes: The Great Depression        | 18      |
| Liberalism at High Noon: The New Deal       | 19      |
| Dr. New Deal" Becomes "Dr. Win-the-War"     | 20      |
| From New Deal to Fair Deal: New Game?       | 24      |
| The Coils of Cold War                       | 25      |
| The Affluent Society: the 1950s             | 26      |
| The Politics of Tranquility: the 1950s      | 27      |
| The Rise and Fall of Camelot                | 31      |
| Civil Rights in an Uncivil Society          | Aug. 1  |
| An Almost "Great Society"                   | 2       |
| The Road to Vietnam                         | 3       |
| The Twilight of Liberalism: The Nixon Years | 7       |
| From Nixon to Nowhere                       | 8       |

\*\*\* Review for Final, Aug 9 \*\*\*

\*\*\* FINAL EXAMINATION, Aug. 10 \*\*\*