

THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - MADISON
The Department of History

HISTORY 120 - EUROPE AND THE MODERN WORLD, 1815 TO THE PRESENT - PROF. PETROVICH
Summer Session, 1982

Course Description:"General survey of the political, economic, social, and cultural history of modern Western civilization."

Prerequisites: None; open to all undergraduates.

Credits: 3

Lectures: 8:55 to 9:45 Monday through Friday, in 2111 Humanities. There will be no extra discussion sections.

Textbook: R.R. Palmer and Joel Colton, A History of the Modern World since 1815, 5th edition (New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 1978), paperback.

Course Requirements: The final grade will be based on three equally weighted factors: (1) A mid-session examination of one class hour; (2) a final examination of one class hour; and (3) weekly reading reports of no more than one page each, indicating the scope and content of each week's outside reading. The examinations will be based on the textbook and lectures. Students will choose their outside reading from the bibliography in the textbook. The selections should follow the chronology of the course. Students are expected to do about 200 pages of outside reading each week. Each week's selection(s) should be from different sources. Each week's reading report will consist of two paragraphs -- the first indicating the scope of the material read and general description of the content, and the second a somewhat more detailed summary and evaluation.

Syllabus: In general, lectures will follow the periods and themes of the chapters in the textbook.

<u>Week</u>		
1.	Prologue: A Revolutionary Half-Century XI. Reaction versus Progress, 1815-1848	xii-xxix 417-461
2.	XII. Revolution and the Reimposition of Order 1848-1870	462-501
3.	XIII. The Consolidation of Large Nation-States 1859-71	502-541
4.	XIV. European Civilization, 1871-1914 XV. Europe's World Supremacy	542-600 601-653
----- MID-SESSION EXAMINATION -----		
5.	XVI. The First World War XVII. The Russian Revolution and the Soviet Union	654-689 690-734
6.	XVIII. The Apparent Victory of Democracy XIX. Democracy and Dictatorship	735-762 763-790
7.	XX. The Second World War XXI. The Contemporary Age: Cold War, Communism, and Colonial Revolution	791-839 840-883
8.	XXII. The Contemporary Age: Crises and Coexistence	884-943
----- FINAL EXAMINATION -----		