Montclair High School Course Syllabus

Department: Social Studies Course: World History Level: Advanced Placement

Credits: 5

Course Description:

The AP World History Course develops global perspective from 8000bce to the present day, using six themes that are described in the AP World History Course Description. These themes are revisited throughout five chronological units of study. This course develops student's abilities to understand and think critically about events in world history, and provides a framework for current events. Students develop these skills through the use of primary sources and historical interpretations from a variety of historical scholars. Students in the AP program must complete the workload of a first-year college level course. This includes a heavy reading load, essay writing, and interpretations of historical events.

Standards:

NJCCCS: 6.2 through 6.3

Anchor Text(s):

| Text Title | Publisher/Author | Year/Edition | ISBN | Text Distribution |
|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| The World's History | Howard Spodek/Pearson | 2010 | ISBN-10: 0205708390 | Hard copy |

Supplementary Materials:

Andrea, A. & Overfield, J. *The Human Record: Sources of Global History*. 5th ed. Vol. I and II. Boston, MA. Houghton Mifflin Company, 2005.

Curtis, k., Doeringer, F., Wheeler, W., & Wiesner, M. *Discovering the Global Past*. 3rd ed. Vol. I & II. Boston, MA. Houghton Mifflin Company, 2007.

Reilly, Kevin. Worlds of History: A Comparative Reader. 2nd ed. Vol I & II. Boston, MA. Bed/St. Martin's, 2004.

Units of Study:

- Early Man and Society
- Empires and Religion
- Global Interaction Pre-Columbian
- Global Interaction Post Columbian
- Revolutionary Era
- The Modern Era

Proficiencies:

By the end of this course, students will:

- Compare historical time frames and themes
- Trace changes that occur over time in a region or within a movement
- Interpret historical events through analysis of primary and secondary sources
- Determine point of view and bias in historical documents and literature
- Draw connections between historical events and modern-day issues

Evaluation & Assessment:

Homework: 15% Classwork: 25% Tests: 40% Quizzes: 20%