History

HIS 101

U.S. History 1: New World-Recon.....3.00 credits

This course will focus on American history from its colonial foundations to the Civil War and Reconstruction. It provides students with knowledge and understanding of the major political, social, and economic movements, as well as leading historical figures in American history up to 1877. This course is an approved course in United States History for teacher certification in Connecticut.

HIS 102

U.S. History 2: 1877- Present...... 3.00 credits

This course will focus on a biographical study of the United States from the end of Reconstruction to the Age of Globalism. Students will examine the political, economic, social, and cultural experiences of the American nation and its people. Both sides of controversial historical issues will be presented in a balanced, objective manner. Students will be encouraged to develop and utilize critical and ethical thinking, and to arrive at their own evaluations of America's triumphs and tragedies. Topics include Industrialization, Overseas Expansion, the Progressives, World War I and World War II, The Great Depression/New Deal, the Civil Rights Movement, the turbulent Sixties/confusing Seventies, The Age of Reagan, and the Age of Globalism. This course is an approved course in United States History for teacher certification in Connecticut.

HIS 110

American Jewish History............ 3.00 credits

This course will provide an overview of American Jewish History from 1654-2020. Students will examine the inaugural community and its origins in Western Europe, its integration into Colonial American life, subsequent immigrants and their part in US growth and expansion, the period of mass immigration by eastern European Jews, the interwar growth and establishment of Jewish institutions, the active role of the community in the establishment of the State of Israel, the US Civil Rights movement, and the movement for freedom of Jews in the Soviet Union. Finally, the course will examine significant trends in the American Jewish community from 1980-2020 and predictions for future growth. Prerequisite(s): ENG 101.

HIS 116

Lost Women of Science..... 1.00 credits

This course will survey the topic "Lost Women of Science." Students will be introduced to women scientists and their significant contributions. Women have always been in science despite access to education in the 21st century. Research has revealed that women are eager to study science and math, but study show early in their schooling girls tend to give up their science. Today, our most talented women and minorities are encouraged to compete for work in many scientific professions globally. In this course, we will examine women work in the STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics). Finally, we will reflect on the present and future of women in science.

HIS 121

Western Civilization 1...... 3.00 credits

This course will focus on the history of western societies and peoples from the earliest formation of recorded western history to the Renaissance, including ancient Greece and Rome, the Dark Ages, and the Medieval period. The course will use primary and secondary materials to examine politics, economics, religion, and the cultural and intellectual history of the West, along with agricultural developments of ancient history and how they led to more advanced civilizations. Prerequisite(s): IDS 101, ENG 101.

HIS 122

Western Civilization 2...... 3.00 credits

This course will focus on western civilization from the Renaissance to the present. Through the use of primary and secondary materials, the course explores the political, social, economic, intellectual, and cultural history of the West to examine the achievements of modern Western Civilization, and their impact throughout the world. Course topics include the Age of Exploration, the Reformation, Absolutism, the Enlightenment, the French Revolution and Napoleon, the Industrial Revolution, Imperialism, World War I, World War II, the Cold War, and the European Union. Prerequisite(s): IDS 101, ENG 101. Recommended Prerequisite(s): HIS 121.

HIS 250

History of Eastern Religions...... 3.00 credits

This course will focus on a a comprehensive look at the Eastern traditions of Buddhism, Taoism, Confucianism, Hinduism, and Shinto. Using a variety of both current and historical materials, the class promotes understanding of Eastern cultural perspectives, and notes differences with traditional Western ideals. Weekly discussions are based on thought provoking questions that promote intriguing and meaningful conversation. Together with entertaining lectures and readings from legendary figures such as the Dalai Lama and Confucius, the class joins together for an overall fulfilling and memorable learning experience.

HIS 300

The Civil War and Reconstruction..... 3.00 credits

This course will focus on significant events, issues, and ideas during the pre-Civil War period (1848-1860), the years of warfare (1861-1865), and the Reconstruction period (1865-1877). Themes include slavery and the territories, the nature of modern warfare, ideological and economic conflict, the Lincoln legacy, the experience of bi-racial democracy during Reconstruction, and the influence and meaning of the Civil War/Reconstruction period for the 21st century. This course is an approved survey course in United States History for teacher certification in Connecticut. Prerequisite(s): ENG 101, ENG 102.

HIS 333

American Foreign Policy from 1945... 3.00 credits

This course will focus on an overview of American foreign policy from the end of World War II to the present. Emphasis will be placed on America's five major wars during this period, its many military invasions and Central Intelligence Agency engineered or sponsored coups, American unilateralism, the Cold War and its aftermath, 9/11 and the challenges posed by Islamic fundamentalism, and the issues of globalization, neo-imperialism, and terrorism. Prerequisite(s): ENG 101, ENG 102.

HIS 350

Contemporary China...... 3.00 credits

This course will focus on China's Cultural Revolution. The revolution was a violent mass movement which drastically affected the lives of all who lived through it. Through eye witness accounts, government memos, political cartoons and other primary source documents, this course will focus on the major events that led to Mao Zedong's revolution, and issues and events that dramatically impacted Chinese society beginning in the early 20th century through present day. Prerequisite(s): ENG 101, ENG 102.

HIS 474

Hist Israeli-Palestinian Conflict...... 3.00 credits

This course will focus on a detailed overview of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Emphasis will be placed on events leading to the creation and expansion of Israel, the history of the Israeli government and policy, and the evolution of the Palestinian national independence movement including the Palestinian Liberation Organization and Hamas. Prerequisite(s): ENG 101, ENG 102.

HIS 499

History Capstone......3.00 credits

This is the capstone course for the History concentration and should be taken in the student's last semester. The student can have no more than 6 credits remaining in their concentration to complete in their degree program prior to enrolling in this course. The goal of the course is for the student to integrate the knowledge gained in the History concentration. The course must be taken at Charter Oak State College. Prerequisite(s): ENG 101, ENG 102.