

CMU HISTORY 118  
AMERICAN HISTORY 1877 TO PRESENT  
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History 118 will begin with Reconstruction, the immediate post-Civil War era, and continue through the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

**Textbook:** *Liberty, Equality, Power*. Fourth Edition. Murrin, Johnson, McPherson, Gerstle, Rosenberg and Rosenberg. Chapters 18-31

Required reading: textbook chapters and primary source documents related to each chapter. You are responsible for reading the material.

**Tests** will generally be over every four chapters. You are responsible for making up missed tests.

Tentative test schedule:

Chapters 17-20

Chapters 21-24

Chapters 25-28

Chapters 29-31

Generally a review guide will be provided prior to each exam. This is provided as an aid for you. Points will be deducted for working on the review guide during class. Please note: any information presented in your textbook is possible material for exam questions, even if not included in study guide.

**Assignments** include reading primary source documents and completing questions pertaining to each reading. This requires you to provide your own answers. Videos pertaining to chapter content may be shown periodically. You may be required to answer questions about the video and turn in for credit. Group projects may also be assigned. Remember to SAVE A COPY of any work you turn in. You may e-mail assignments to me, or turn them into your facilitator who will in turn mail or fax them to me. Any missed assignments must be turned in within one week of the due date and may be subjected to a reduction in points for being late.

**Research project** Due near end of semester. We will discuss this further at a later date. Failure to turn in final project will result in final grade of F for the class.

**Attendance** is required. If you know in advance that you will be absent, please inform me. This applies to school trips, assemblies, school holidays, MAP testing, etc.

**Conduct** Students of Central Methodist University are expected always to follow the rules of good conduct. When participating in class, whether in the classroom, or another setting, students are responsible to the instructor and are expected to comply with class policies provided by the instructor and with reasonable requests made by the instructor. Course instructor may request that any student be administratively dropped from a course at any time for academic dishonesty, excessive absence, or disruptive or other unacceptable classroom behavior. With the approval of the Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, or, at the Dean's request, by the Academic Standards and Admissions Committee, the student will be withdrawn from the course. Additional penalties may be imposed under the Academic Honesty Policy.

**Plagiarism** is a form of cheating and stealing and is a serious offense. See below.

## ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT POLICY

– Central Methodist University believes that honesty throughout life is a significant foundation of character and personal integrity. The University's Policy on Academic Honesty applies to all forms of academic work, including but not limited to quizzes and examination, essays and papers, lab reports, oral presentations, surveys, take-home tests, etc. Every student is responsible for understanding this policy. By registering at the university, every student accepts the obligation to abide by this policy. Students are also responsible for understanding the particular policy applications required by each of their instructors and to ask the instructor for clarification of any areas of uncertainty.

Academic conduct requires that each person accept the obligation to uphold professional standards in all academic endeavors. Any conduct that unprofessionally represents a student's academic performance violates CMU's Academic Conduct Policy. Unprofessional practices include but are not limited to the following:

1. Cheating in any form (e.g., ghost-written papers, cheat sheets or notes, copying during exams, quizzes or other graded class work, allowing anyone to misrepresent their coursework as yours, or your coursework as theirs, etc.);
2. Unauthorized collaboration with others on work to be presented in ways contrary to the stated rules of the course or the specifications of a particular assignment;
3. Stealing or having unauthorized access to examination or course materials.
4. Falsifying information (records, or laboratory or other data);
5. Submitting work previously presented in another course without the advance consent of the second instructor.
6. Assisting Academic Misconduct (intentionally or unintentionally)---This includes allowing any other student to use or submit your academic work or performance, or other academic work supplied by you, under a name different from the author of the work), and
7. Plagiarism. Plagiarism includes but is not limited to (1) representing as your own work a paper, speech, or report written in whole or in part by someone else (from the un-credited use of significant phrases to the un-credited use of larger portions of material), including material found on the internet, (2) failing to provide appropriate recognition of the sources of borrowed material through the proper use of quotation marks, proper attribution of paraphrases, and proper citations. Paraphrase is the direct use of others' ideas, data, or structures of thought stated in language substantially different from the source upon which they depend, and therefore not requiring quotation marks even though the substance of the material is borrowed. In borrowed material, appropriated recognition of the source must be given.

The University will discipline students for infractions of the Academic Honesty Policy with various sanctions which it deems appropriate, up to and including suspension or expulsion from the University. Penalties internal to a course, including grades and expulsion from the course, are at the discretion of the instructor. Students can appeal instructors' internal course penalties to the Committee on Academic Standards and Admissions, whose decision is final. Instructors must report all penalties they impose for academic dishonesty, with a brief account of the offense, to the Dean of the University, so that all violations are recorded. For serious or repeated offenses, the Dean may impose further penalties beyond the course penalty. These penalties include but are not limited to notations in the student's file, notations on the student's transcript, probation, suspension, and expulsion. A decision by the Dean of

the University can be appealed to the Faculty Committee on Academic Standards and Admission, whose decision is final. Always provide appropriate recognition of all borrowed materials and sources.

Penalties internal to a course, including grades and expulsion from the course, are at the discretion of the instructor, \*\*\*\*\*who should detail course-specific policies and sanctions in course syllabi\*\*\*\*\*. Instructors must report all penalties which they impose for academic misconduct, with a brief account of the offense, to the Dean, so that all violations are recorded. For serious or repeated offenses, the Dean may impose further penalties beyond the course penalty, including but not limited to notations in the student's file, notations on the student's transcript, probation, suspension, and expulsion. Students can appeal instructors' internal course penalties and any further sanctions by the Dean to the Committee on Academic Standards and Admissions, whose decision is final.

### **Grades**

Grades for this class will be assigned as follows:

100-90%	A
89-80%	B
79-70%	C
69-60%	D
59-	F

Quarter grades only apply to high school requirements regarding sports eligibility, honor roll, etc. but do not apply to CMU's grade policy. Therefore, please keep in mind that the *semester* grade counts toward your GPA. The semester grade is cumulative, meaning your grade will be final at the close of the semester. The semester grade is the grade that will be entered on your transcript as the grade for this class.

### **Schedule**

You can expect to cover on average one chapter per week.

**First day of class** January 13, 2010.

**Days to remember:**

**January 18 MLK holiday-CMU is not in session, no class.**

**March 19-21 Spring Break at CMU-no class.**

**Last day of class May 7. Final exam May 10?.**

