

COURSE SYLLABUS

HIS 236

American Indian History

Sunday's 1-5 Spr 09

Location TBA

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Course Description:

A study of the Native People of North America from the pre-Columbian Period through European exploration and settlement to the present, emphasizing American Indian contributions to world culture, tribal structure and inter-governmental relations.

Students Rights and Responsibilities:

All students have the right to use the College Counseling and Student Development staff services, as well as to receive tutoring assistance from the writing lab program. The Augsburg College policy on academic honesty applies to this course. **Attendance is Mandatory.**

Required texts:

First Peoples: A Documentary Survey Of American Indian History. 3rd edition by Colin Calloway.

Course grade will consist of:

Mid-term	30%	due 5/17
Final	30%	due 6/28
Paper #1	20%	due 5/10
Paper #2	20%	due 6/7

Exams will have a variety of formats including multiple choice, matching, short identification, short answer or short essay.

You will be required to write 2 papers for this class. Each paper should be 4-6 pages in length. Paper #1 will be a biography of an American Indian Historical figure. Paper #2 will analyze an historical event in which Native Americans played a crucial role. Topics should be cleared through the instructor. Each paper should include at least four references in the bibliography and must be properly cited or it will not be accepted. If you do not know how to properly cite a paper then you should consult the MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers, by Gibeldi and Achtert, which is available at most libraries.

COURSE SCHEDULE

DAY ONE: Introduction/ Pre-History of North America. 4/5

READING: Calloway Introduction and Ch 1

DAY TWO: Invasions of America (1492-1680). 4/19

READING: Calloway Ch 2

DAY THREE: Colonial and Revolutionary America (1680-1786). 4/26

READING: Calloway Ch 3

DAY FOUR: American Indians and the New Nation (1783-1838). 5/10

READING: Calloway Ch 4

DAY FIVE: Defending the West (1830-1890). 5/17

READING: Calloway Ch 5

DAY SIX: Allotment and Assimilation (1879-1934). 6/7

READING: Calloway Ch 6

DAY SEVEN: The New Deal through Red Power (1934-1978). 6/21

READING: Calloway Ch 7