Western Civilization 102 Course Requirements – Gene Lemons, Instructor

**TESTS:** The course will be divided into six sections. There will be an exam on each section, thus SIX (6) exams total. All exams will be ESSAY and IDENTIFICATION (short essay) in nature. This creates a major grading burden on the instructor, but will allow the student to better understand the important ideas and events covered in the course. The goal of the instructor is to make history interesting and even fun, for the student as much as for the instructor.

**ATTENDANCE:** Attendance is required and roll will be taken at each class meeting. Each student will be allowed FIVE (5) cuts. A SIXTH cut will result in the student being DROPPED from the course!

**OUTSIDE WORK:** A TWO page book report is required. The subject of the book MUST fall within the inclusive dates and subject areas of this course. The format should be as follows: Title of the book; Author’s name; What qualifies this person to write such a book?; A brief summary of the book, showing that you have read the material. The book report may be turned in anytime up to the posted cut-off date which the instructor will announce in class. NO REPORT WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THAT CUT-OFF DATE!

**GRADING:** A TEN POINT scale will be used: 90-100=A; 80-89=B; etc. The final exam will count one-sixth of your final grade. Assuming the book report meets all stated requirements, you will receive THREE bonus points added to your final grade average. If the book report does not meet the requirements, or is not turned in on time, ONE LETTER GRADE will be deducted from your final average.

**CLASS CONDUCT:** All cell phones, pagers, etc., must be turned off in class. If a cell phone rings in class, that student will be immediately required to leave the class and will be counted absent for that day. During lectures, the Instructor is the only person who should be talking. If you have a problem or question, you must raise your hand and be recognized.

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Western Civilization 102 Course Outline: Religious Wars of the 16th Century to the Present.
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Part I: Review of the Protestant Reformation thru governmental developments of the 17th century.
A. Decline of the church
B. The Protestant Reformation
C. Power struggles and religious wars
D. The Age of Reason
E. Absolutism
F. Political liberalism

Test I

Part II: The Rights of Man and Eighteenth Century Romanticism.
A. Romanticism and intellectual assault on Absolutism
B. The American Revolution of 1776
C. The French Revolution of 1789
D. The Napoleonic Wars

Test II

Part III: The Congress of Vienna thru the Unification of Germany.
A. Putting Europe back together after revolution and war
B. Response to the Age of Metternich
C. Splendid Isolationism in England
D. Political and economic reform in England
E. The Revolutions of 1848
F. The Industrial Revolution
G. Communism and Socialism – Karl Marx
H. The Civil War and the United States

Test III

Part IV: The Unification of Germany and Italy thru World War I.
A. The unification of Italy
B. The unification of Germany
C. The Second Industrial Revolution
D. The Cult of Science
E. The race for Colonies – Economic Imperialism
F. The Spanish-American War of 1898
G. Sino-American relations 1899-1900, and the Boxer Rebellion
H. The Russo-Japanese War of 1904-1905
I. Revolution in Russia
J. Nationalism in the Balkans
K. “Blank Check” diplomacy
L. World War I
Test IV

Part V: The League of Nations and Post-War Problems thru World War II.
A. Failures of the League of Nations
B. Washington Naval Conference of 1921-22
C. Militarism in Japan
D. Fascism in Italy
E. America and the “Roaring Twenties”
F. The Great Depression
G. America and the New Deal
H. Hitler and the Nazi Party in Germany
I. The Road to War
J. American neutrality
K. World War II
L. Pearl Harbor – America enters the war
M. The Atomic Bomb, the end of the war, the beginning of a new era

Test V

Part VI: The Cold War and the End of the Soviet Union.
A. The United nations
B. The Cold War – the polarization of the world
C. The Marshall Plan and Containment
D. The creation of Israel
E. Communism in China
F. The Korean War
G. NATO
H. The Suez Canal crisis
I. Sputnik and the Arms race
J. Crisis and revolution in Cuba
K. Middle-East crisis in 1967
L. The Vietnam War
M. The Persian Gulf War
N. The Break-Up of the Soviet Union and the Fall of the Iron Curtain
O. The End of the Cold War
P. The World of the Twenty-First Century

Test VI – The Final Exam