

CIV102 | Western Civilization II

Course Text

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Course Description

Beginning with the Scientific Revolution, this course walks students through major developments of the early modern era to the present, including various revolutions, moments of key reform, and global wars. Western Civilization II is a broad overview of key events, people, and ideas that shaped Western society as we know it today. Students will explore these topics through readings, videos, and direct engagement with primary sources.

Learning Outcomes

After completing this course, you will be able to:

1. Identify key moments in the development of Western society since the Scientific Revolution.
2. Describe the social, economic, and political impact of the Enlightenment on society and science.
3. Analyze original historical materials.
4. Interpret primary sources within their appropriate historical context.
5. Organize historical events into chronological order.
6. Justify your thinking with well-organized and well-supported thoughts.
7. Compare and contrast early modern Western societies.
8. Examine the secularization of religious authority to develop a deeper understanding of the political underpinnings of the Renaissance and Enlightenment eras.
9. Explain how fascism impacted society and politics in the 20th and 21st centuries.
10. Consider how historical events shaped our current moment.

Course Prerequisites

While there are no prerequisites to take Western Civilization II, it is recommended that students complete Western Civilization I before enrolling in Western Civilization II.

Academic Integrity Statement

Academic integrity is the pursuit of scholarly activity in an honest, truthful and responsible manner. Violations of academic integrity include, but are not limited to, plagiarism, cheating, fabrication and academic misconduct. Failure to comply with the Academic Integrity Policy can result in a failure and/or zero on the attempted assignment/examination, a removal from the course, disqualification to enroll in future courses, and/or revocation of an academic transcript. Penalties for academic integrity violations can be retroactively applied upon discovery, and at our discretion.

Course Completion Policy

In order for a course to be considered complete, **all required coursework must be attempted, submitted, and graded.** Required coursework consists of graded assignments. Any Academic Integrity Policy violations may prevent a course from being considered complete.

Course Evaluation Criteria

Your score provides a percentage score and letter grade for each course. A passing percentage is 70% or higher.

There are a total of 1000 points in the course:

Topic	Assessment	Points	Learning Outcomes
Intro	Reflective Response: Introduction to Western Civilization	15	5, 7, 9, 10
5	Mastery Check #1	150	1, 2, 5, 8
7	Assignment: Virtual Field Trip and Artifact Analysis	250	3, 4, 6
8	Reflective Response: Revolutions	15	5, 7, 9, 10
10	Mastery Check #2	150	1, 7, 10
13	Assignment: Primary Source Analysis	250	3, 4, 6
14	Reflective Response: Looking Back and Looking Forward	20	5, 7, 9, 10
15	Mastery Check #3	150	1, 5, 7, 9, 10
Total		1000	

Course Roadmap *Graded items in **bold***

Intro | Introduction and Getting Started

Subtopics

- Welcome

Assignments

- Welcome video

- Academic Honesty

- Why Study History?
- Academic Honesty and Integrity Lesson
- Statement of Academic Honesty and Integrity (required)
- **Reflective Response:**
Introduction to Western Civilization
- Writing Guidelines

Topic 1 | The Scientific Revolution and the Enlightenment, 1600-1800

Subtopics

- Nation Building and the Wars for Domination
- The Slave Trade
- Culture of the New Age

Assignments

- eTextbook: Reading Assignment, Chapter 14
- Lesson 1: The Age of Revolution
- Reading: Wilson: Global Network of Exchange
- Topic 1 Checkpoint

Topic 2 | The Old Regime, 1715-1789

Subtopics

- Origins of the Enlightenment
- Enlightenment Thinkers and Concepts
- The Ongoing Effect of the Scientific Revolution

Assignments

- eTextbook: Reading Assignment, Chapter 15
- Lesson 1: Political Order and the Old Regime, 1715-1789
- Lesson 1: Enlightened Society
- Topic 2 Checkpoint

Topic 3 | The French Revolution and Napoleon, 1789-1815

Subtopics

- Origins of the French Revolution
- The First French Revolution
- The Second French Revolution
- The Legacy of the Revolution
- The Rise of Napoleon

Assignments

- eTextbook: Reading Assignment, Chapter 16
- Lesson 1: France and the Age of Revolution
- Lesson 1: Napoleon Bonaparte
- Video: Wilson: Rise of Napoleon
- Topic 3 Checkpoint

Topic 4 | The Industrial Revolution, 1780-1850

Subtopics

- England's Booming Industry
- Impact of the Industrial Revolution
- Emergence of Nationalism

Assignments

- eTextbook: Reading Assignment, Chapter 17
- Lesson 1: The Industrial Revolution
- Supplemental Video: Industrial Revolution (Optional)
- Topic 4 Checkpoint
- Pathfinder: From Scientific Inquiry to Industrial Innovation

Topic 5 | Ideology, Politics, and Revolution, 1815-1850

Subtopics

- Establishing Order in Europe
- Competing Ideologies
- Revolution and Reformation

Assignments

- eTextbook: Reading Assignment, Chapter 18
- Lesson 1: Living with Change
- Topic 5 Checkpoint
- **Mastery Check #1**

Topic 6 | Unifying Nations, 1850-1870

Subtopics

- The Revolutions of 1848
- Unification of Italy
- Unification of Germany
- Movements for Unification in North America

Assignments

- eTextbook: Reading Assignment, Chapter 19
- Lesson 1: Nationalism and the Unification of the Nation-State
- Topic 6 Checkpoint

Topic 7 | Democracy and the New Imperialism, 1870-1914

Subtopics

- World Democracy
- Responses to Democratic Reform
- The New Imperialism

Assignments

- eTextbook: Reading Assignment, Chapter 20
- Lesson 1: Imperialism and World Domination
- Topic 7 Checkpoint

- **Assignment: Virtual Field Trip and Artifact Analysis**

Topic 8 | Western Society, 1850-1914

Subtopics

- The Urban Industrial Order
- The Emergence of Popular Culture
- New Intellectual Trends

Assignments

- eTextbook: Reading Assignment, Chapter 21
- Lesson 1: The Culture of Progress
- Topic 8 Checkpoint
- **Reflective Response: Revolutions**

Topic 9 | World War and Revolution, 1914-1920

Subtopics

- The Road to Total War
- The War to End All Wars
- Resolution and Peace

Assignments

- eTextbook: Reading Assignment, Chapter 22
- Lesson 1: The Great War
- Video: Wilson: Leading up to World War I
- Topic 9 Checkpoint
- Pathfinder: Key Events of the 19th and Early 20th Centuries

Topic 10 | Recovery, Dictators, and Depression, 1920-1939

Subtopics

- Postwar Struggles
- The Rise of Fascism
- Nazi Germany

Assignments

- eTextbook: Reading Assignment, Chapter 23
- Lesson 1: Recovery, Depression, and Fascism
- Video: Wilson: Meet the dictators
- Topic 10 Checkpoint
- **Mastery Check #2**

Topic 11 | World War II, 1939-1945

Subtopics

Assignments

- The Path to War
- Early Battles and the Holocaust
- A World United, A World at War

- eTextbook: Reading Assignment, Chapter 24
- Lesson 1: World War II
- Videos: Wilson: World War II and the New World Order
- Topic 11 Checkpoint

Topic 12 | The Cold War

Subtopics

- Postwar Boom
- Capitalism and Communism
- Conflict with the Soviet Union

Assignments

- eTextbook: Reading Assignment, Chapter 25
- Lesson 1: The Cold War
- Topic 12 Checkpoint
- Pathfinder: Political Shifts and Wars of the 20th Century

Topic 13 | The Cold War and Decolonization

Subtopics

- The Cold War
- Decolonization

Assignments

- Reading: Wilson: The Cold War and Decolonization
- **Assignment: Primary Source Analysis**

Topic 14 | The Present in Perspective

Subtopics

- The Fall of Communism
- The Global Village

Assignments

- Reading Assignment, Chapter 26
- Lesson 1: The Twenty-First Century in Perspective
- Wilson: Global Society in a Post-Cold War World
- Topic 14 Checkpoint
- **Reflective Response: Looking Back and Looking Forward**

Topic 15 | Review

Subtopics

- Review
- Wrap Up

Assignments

- Lesson 1: Review
- **Mastery Check #3**
- End of Course Survey

Related Courses

**USHIST102: United
States History II**

**MAT101: College
Algebra**

**REL101:
Introduction to
Religious Studies**