

Revised Syllabus, 6-27-17: The first syllabus had incorrect information about what is available to buy at the De Anza Bookstore. All the rest of it was accurate. Apologies.

Description

Hist 17A-61Z: United States Civilization from Colonial to Early National. A Survey of United States History (political, economic, intellectual and social development).

Prerequisites

None

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Requirements

ADVISORY Eligibility for EWRT 1A or ESL 5 is advised.

1) Be prepared to spend 15 or more hours per week to use and study course materials. Read and study the text and other assigned reading and materials as required.

2) This course section uses “**LaunchPad**,” as our required electronic course management system, and students must purchase access to LaunchPad. You can access LaunchPad on our course on De Anza Online Education’s **Canvas** system under “Macmillan Learning.” All exams and other graded work will be taken online in LaunchPad.

Textbook & COURSE MATERIALS

[Bookstore: Phone: 408-864-8455 <http://books.fhda.edu>]

Purchase the following items, either at the De Anza College Bookstore or on the LaunchPad site accessible through Canvas:

1. Roark, et al., *Understanding the American Promise*, Volume 1, 3rd Edition.

2. *The Interesting Narrative of the Life of Olaudah Equiano, Written by Himself*. This book is **ONLY** ordered at the college bookstore-- it is **NOT** on LaunchPad or Canvas.

3. Obtain Access to **LaunchPad**, the course's required online format. All graded assignments and work will be done on LaunchPad, accessed through Canvas. However you purchase LaunchPad access, you must **Go through Canvas the first time you get onto LaunchPad.**

There are different ways to buy access to LaunchPad AND to obtain our *Understanding the American Promise* textbook.

OPTION 1. Purchase access to LaunchPad from directly within our class's Canvas system.

OPTION 2. Buy the access code for LaunchPad by itself at our bookstore, and plan either to buy your own hard copy of the textbook elsewhere or plan to use only the e-book. LaunchPad includes an electronic version of *Understanding the American Promise*, so if you wish not to purchase a print copy you will still have access to the e-book version of *Understanding the American Promise*.

OPTION 3. Buy at the bookstore an access card for LaunchPad wrapped in the plastic package with Roark *Understanding the American Promise*, 3rd ed., Volume I. The access card in this package contains an activation code that you will be asked to enter online on our course's Canvas site. **Due to an ordering error, this packaged order is not estimated to be available at the bookstore before July 5 or 6.** The same is true of any textbook copies sold singly without LaunchPad access, so before going, call the bookstore 408-864-8455 to confirm their arrival and availability.

Remember, however you purchase LaunchPad access, you will need to **go through Canvas the very first time you get onto LaunchPad.**

As of Wednesday June 28, both my online course on **Canvas**, Hist 17A-61Z, and my **LaunchPad** for United States History, Colonial to Early National-Summer 17, go active and are open to students. Right away, **access LaunchPad** through Canvas.

The first graded work that must be done on LaunchPad is due July 5.

How to connect to LaunchPad through Canvas:

Once you are on our Canvas course, click on **Macmillan Learning** on the left and follow its directions to connect your Canvas account with LaunchPad. By doing so, you will get *Single Sign On* access to LaunchPad from Canvas. **LaunchPad activities are *REQUIRED for this course!***

Please watch [THIS VIDEO](#) for help with connecting your Canvas and LaunchPad accounts. Technical support can be reached at **800-936-6899**

Media Availability

Internet access is required.

Written Assignments

There is a major Essay due August 7 based on *The Interesting Narrative of the Life of Olaudah Equiano* book. See LaunchPad web site for complete Essay Assignment information.

On each of the 2 course exams, there are 4 essays of 250 words.
Students will also compose 2 Discussion Board assignments of at least 150 words each.

Extra Credit
None in Summer Session

Exam Review
None

Exam Notes
None

Handouts
None

Final Grade

You may access your final grades on the Internet through the College's Portal system [<https://myportal.fhda.edu>].

Additional Information

We use LAUNCHPAD as our required electronic course management system.

Testing / Grading

All graded work is performed online on LaunchPad, our course's electronic management system. None of the course's graded work is done on Catalyst.

There will be 8 Summative Chapter Quizzes, each on a chapter of Understanding the American Promise, worth 20 points each.

There will be 7 Learning Curve Assignments, each based on an assigned textbook chapter, worth 10 points each.

There will be 2 EXAMS, worth 60 points each. Each Exam will cover only the reading and other course materials assigned for its portion and will not cover material previously covered by an exam. No Exam, including the Final, is cumulative.

There is an ESSAY for 60 points based on *The Interesting Narrative of the Life of Olaudah Equiano, Written by Himself*.

There will be 2 Discussion Board Activities, worth a total 25 points.

Alternate Exams: There are no alternate exams.

Quizzes and exams are available for taking on LaunchPad up until their due dates but not afterward. Only one graded assignment will be allowed to be made up after it is due,

so I strongly advise students NOT to delay taking a quiz or exam until just before its due. Contact the instructor sometime before Final Exam week to arrange a make-up for just one missing graded assignment.

Grading

Final course letter grades will be assigned on the basis of students' total points and overall performance relative to one another (ie, "on a curve").

Grades

Grades will be based on students' total points sums. Course letter grades will be assigned by students' performances relative to one another.

All graded work is performed online on LaunchPad, our course's electronic management system. Note: You will gain access to LaunchPad on De Anza's Canvas system.

You may access your final grades on the Internet through the College's Portal system [<https://myportal.fhda.edu>].

Assignments Schedule

“Important Course Documents” to be opened and read on LaunchPad by July 5; 11:59 PM.

Learning Curve assignment on *Understanding the American Promise* Chapter 1 Due on LaunchPad by July 8; 11:59 PM.

Summative Quiz on Chapter 1 Due on LaunchPad by July 9; 11:59 PM.

LearningCurve on Chapter 2 Due on LaunchPad by July 11; 11:59 PM.

Summative Quiz on Chapter 2 Due on LaunchPad by July 12; 11:59 PM.

LearningCurve on Chapter 3, Due on LaunchPad by July 14; 11:59 PM.

Summative Quiz on Chapter 3 Due on LaunchPad by July 15; 11:59 PM.

LearningCurve on Chapter 4, Due on LaunchPad by July 18; 11:59 PM.

Summative Quiz on Chapter 4 Due on LaunchPad by July 19; 11:59 PM.

EXAM 1, both Multiple Choice & Essays sections, on *Understanding the American Promise* Chapters 1-4, Due on LaunchPad by July 21; 11:59 PM.

LearningCurve on Chapter 5, Due on LaunchPad by July 25; 11:59 PM.

Summative Quiz on Chapter 5, Due on LaunchPad by July 26; 11:59 PM.

Discussion Board 1 Activity, Due on LaunchPad by July 27; 11:59 PM.

LearningCurve on Chapter 6, Due on LaunchPad by July 28; 11:59 PM.

Summative Quiz on Chapter 6, Due on LaunchPad by July 29; 11:59 PM.

Discussion Board 2 Activity, Due on LaunchPad by July 31; 11:59 PM.

LearningCurve on Chapter 7, Due on LaunchPad by August 4; 11:59 PM.

Summative Quiz on Chapter 7, Due on LaunchPad by August 5; 11:59 PM.

ESSAY on Equiano Narrative Book, Due by August 7; 11:59 PM.

Summative Quiz on Chapter 8, Due on LaunchPad by August 9; 11:59 PM.

EXAM 2, both Multiple Choice & Essays sections, on *Understanding the American Promise* Chapters 5-8, Due on LaunchPad by August 11; 11:59 PM. `