

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

Description

Hist 17B-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>]

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

2. *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, An American Slave*. Note: This book is ONLY ordered at the college bookstore-- it is NOT on the LaunchPad or Canvas sites.

3. Buy Access to **LaunchPad**, the course's online format. All graded assignments and work will be done on LaunchPad, which you must access through Canvas. Whichever way you purchase your LaunchPad access, you will need to **Go through Canvas the very first time you get onto LaunchPad.**

There are different ways to buy LaunchPad access AND to buy the *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*, Combined, 3rd ed., 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**

Additional Help Links:

- [How to enter an access code](#)
- [How to purchase direct access](#)
- [Not sure what do? Get FREE trial access for 21 Days!](#)

Media Availability

Internet access is required.

Written Assignments

There is a major Essay due August 8 based on *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass* 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 *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass* book.

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 missed 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.

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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 11 Due on LaunchPad by July 8; 11:59 PM.

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

LearningCurve on Chapter 12 Due on LaunchPad by July 11; 11:59 PM.

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

LearningCurve on Chapter 13, Due on LaunchPad by July 14; 11:59 PM.

Summative Quiz on Chapter 13 Due on LaunchPad by July 15; 11:59 PM.

LearningCurve on Chapter 14, Due on LaunchPad by July 18; 11:59 PM.

Summative Quiz on Chapter 14 Due on LaunchPad by July 19; 11:59 PM.

EXAM 1, both Multiple Choice & Essays sections, on *Understanding the American Promise* Chapters 11-14, Due on LaunchPad by July 22; 11:59 PM.

LearningCurve on Chapter 15, Due on LaunchPad by July 25; 11:59 PM.

Summative Quiz on Chapter 15, 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 16, Due on LaunchPad by July 28; 11:59 PM.

Summative Quiz on Chapter 16, Due on LaunchPad by July 29; 11:59 PM.

Discussion Board 2 Activity, Due on LaunchPad by August 1; 11:59 PM.

LearningCurve on Chapter 17, Due on LaunchPad by August 4; 11:59 PM.

Summative Quiz on Chapter 17, Due on LaunchPad by August 5; 11:59 PM.

ESSAY on Frederick Douglass *Narrative*, Due by August 8; 11:59 PM.

Summative Quiz on Chapter 18, Due on LaunchPad by August 9; 11:59 PM.

EXAM 2, both Multiple Choice & Essays sections, on *Understanding the American Promise* Chapters 15-18, Due on LaunchPad by August 12; 11:59 PM.