

HIST& 126 : World Civilizations I

Credits 5

Quarter Offered Fall

Historical comparative study of the world's major civilizations (African, Asian, Middle East, European, and American) from prehistory to ca.1200 CE. There will be an emphasis on material existence and understanding value systems. We will delve into how these are expressed in different political, social, economic, cultural, and religious systems as well as in literature and art. This class may include students from multiple sections. (Social Sciences, Elective)

Course Outcomes

Demonstrate a “historical mindedness”-- understanding the historical context of ideas, events, and issues.

Demonstrate a sense of regionalism that incorporates geography, economics, politics, and culture.

Demonstrate the contributions and world view of diverse populations of the region.

Distinguish major themes from a regional perspective and from a national perspective.

Demonstrate mastery of significant events, people, and ideas that shaped the region from the beginnings of human settlement.

Analyze and synthesize critical primary and secondary source materials.

Organize thoughts and communicate them clearly and concisely in written form and in oral discussions.