# STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY CANTON, NEW YORK



# **MASTER SYLLABUS**

# **HIST 106 – WORLD HISTORY TO 1500**

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A. <u>TITLE</u>: World History to 1500

B. **COURSE NUMBER:** HIST 106

**C. CREDIT HOURS:** 3 Lecture Hours per Week for 15 Weeks

**D.** WRITING INTENSIVE COURSE: No

**E. GER CATEGORY**: GER 6

**F. SEMESTER(S) OFFERED**: Fall or Spring

## G. COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course offers a general survey of world history to 1500. Using a global perspective, this course examines the emergence and development of world civilizations and their cross-cultural interactions. Some of the themes examined include: ancient civilizations and empires of the Near East, ancient China, India, Classical Greece and Rome, the development of world religions, the Arab world, Medieval Europe, and Africa and the Americas prior to European contact.

#### H. PRE-REQUISITES/CO-REQUISITES: None

## I. <u>STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES</u>:

Course Student Learning Outcome [SLO]	GER _6_	ISLO & Sub-Sets
a. Demonstrate knowledge of a broad outline of world history	1	5
b. Identify the distinctive features of the history, institutions, economy, and culture of non-Western civilizations	2	4 [GL]
c. Analyze the development of world religions and global economic and cultural networks	2	4 [GL]
d. Evaluate the processes of continuity, change, and causality in history		2 [CA]

GER 6

Students will demonstrate:

- 1. Knowledge of a broad outline of world history, or
- 2. The distinctive features of the history, institutions, economy, society, culture, etc., of one non-Western civilization

KEY	Institutional Student Learning Outcomes	
	[ISLO 1 – 5]	
ISLO #	ISLO & Subsets	
1	Communication Skills	
	Oral [O], Written [W]	
2	Critical Thinking	
	Critical Analysis [CA], Inquiry & Analysis [IA], Problem Solving [PS]	
3	Foundational Skills	
	Information Management [IM], Quantitative Lit, /Reasoning [QTR]	
4	Social Responsibility	
	Ethical Reasoning [ER], Global Learning [GL], Intercultural Knowledge [IK], Teamwork [T]	
5	Industry, Professional, Discipline Specific Knowledge and Skills	

#### J. APPLIED LEARNING COMPONENT: No

If Yes, select one or more of the following categories:		
Classroom/Lab	Civic Engagement	
Internship	Creative Works/Senior Project	
Clinical Practicum	Research	
Practicum	Entrepreneurship	
Service Learning	(program, class, project)	
Community Service		

#### **K. TEXTS:** To be determined by the instructor

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- M. EQUIPMENT: Technology Enhanced Classroom
- N. GRADING METHOD: A -F

### O. **SUGGESTED MEASUREMENT CRITERIA/METHODS:**

Exams • Quizzes • Assignments • Participation/Discussion • Debates • Presentations

# P. <u>DETAILED COURSE OUTLINE</u>:

- I. First Civilizations
  - A. Human Origins
  - B. City-States and Empires in Mesopotamia
  - C. Egypt
  - D. Persian Empire
  - E. Ancient Religions
- II. Classical Societies
  - A. Ancient India
  - B. Ancient China

- C. Civilization of the Greeks
- D. Roman Republic and Empire
- III. New Civilizations and Societies
  - A. The Americas and Pacific Islands before Contact
  - B. Islam and the Arab Empire
  - C. Early Civilizations in Africa
- IV. Expansion of Ancient Societies
  - A. Buddhism, Hinduism and India
  - B. Chinese Dynasties after the Han
  - C. Mongol Expansion and Central Asia
  - D. Japan, Korea, and Vietnam
- V. Europe and Global Networks
  - A. Medieval Europe
  - B. The Byzantine Empire
  - C. The Renaissance
  - D. Age of Exploration and Conquest
  - E. Africa and the Slave Trade
  - F. Southeast Asia and Global Trade