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SYLLABUS FOR  
HISTORY 2112  
UNITED STATES HISTORY SINCE 1865  
3 Credit Hours  
Spring 2020  
HISTORY 2112-03  
CRN: 25019  
COAS 202  
TR - 11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

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Detailed Course Information Required texts/materials:

2112 Course Outline, available at [www.carolmelton.com](http://www.carolmelton.com)

Internet-based materials as noted herein Supplemental materials:

Outline of U.S. History (edited), available at [www.carolmelton.com](http://www.carolmelton.com) (N.B. This is a textbook and not to be confused with the 2112 Course Outline listed above. The 2112 Course Outline is required. The Outline of U.S. History is not.)

Description:

This is a survey of U.S. history to the post-Civil War period. Special emphasis will be placed on the political, intellectual, cultural, and economic forces that transformed the U.S. during the period. Meets state legislative requirements for United States and Georgia history.

Official Course Student Learning Outcomes: Students will demonstrate an understanding of American History and related political, social, institutional, cultural, and economic developments. The instrument used to measure this outcome will be the final examination. By the end of this course, the successful student should: 1) Possess substantial knowledge of the facts presented in this course; 2) Understand the principles

of historical cause and effect; and 3) Be able to apply knowledge of facts and causation to current events in such a way as to understand today's United States and world in a clearer fashion.

**Attendance policies:** Students whose number of absences is more than twice the number of class meetings per week (4 per semester) may be assigned a failing grade for the course at the discretion of the instructor. Students who have more absences than the number of class meetings per week but less than twice the number of class meetings per week (3 per semester), may be docked a letter grade for the class at the discretion of the instructor. Students who have absences which are less than or equal to the number of class meetings per week (1 or 2 per semester) will not be penalized.

The instructor endeavors to begin class punctually. If a student is not in his seat when the roll is called, or if a student leaves class early, the student will be recorded as tardy. Two tardies equals one absence. If you anticipate being late to class please notify the instructor beforehand.

**Student Code of Conduct:** Middle Georgia State University students are responsible for reading, understanding, and abiding by the MGSU Student Code of Conduct. Student Code of Conduct, Responsibilities, Procedures, and Rights are found at:  
<http://www.mga.edu/student-conduct/code-of-conduct.aspx>.

Examinations and other assignments should always be the students own work. Plagiarism or cheating will be punished by an F in the course and other sanctions may be imposed by the university. Please read Code of Conduct carefully to make sure that you understand these concepts, and ask the instructor if you have any questions.

Campus Carry Legislation: <http://www.mga.edu/police/campus-carry.2aspx>

**Electronics Policy:** Computers and other electronic devices may not be used in class without a disability accommodation request (see below). Cell phones should be switched off and stored. In the event of a family emergency, please request permission in advance to leave your phone on. If any student violates this policy, the entire class will be given a pop quiz. You should bring paper and pen or pencil to class to take notes.

**Disability Accommodation:** Students seeking academic accommodations for a special need must contact Middle Georgia State University Office of Disability Services in Macon at (478) 471-2985 or in Cochran at (478) 934-3023.  
<http://www.mga.edu/disability-services/>

**Withdrawal Policy:** Students are encouraged to read the withdrawal policy found at <http://www.mga.edu/registrar/dropadd.aspx> before dropping or withdrawing from a class

**Delayed Opening or Closing of the University:** Please consult the local media and/or the university websites for campus closings due to weather etc.

**End of course evaluations:** Student evaluations of faculty are administered online at the end of each term/session for all courses with five or more students. Students will receive an email containing a link to a survey for each course in which they are enrolled. All responses are anonymous.

**Grading System:**

100 – 90 A  
89.9 – 80 B  
79.9 – 70 C  
69.9 – 60 D  
59.9 – 0 F

There will be 3 examinations in this class. They are mandatory. No makeup exams will be given. Examinations are each 30% of your grade. The other 10% will be based on quizzes and class participation. Borderline or indeterminate grade will be adjusted according to class attendance and performance. All exams must be taken in class on the day designated in the schedule. If you have a documented emergency you may be allowed to drop the grade for a missed exam. You may exempt only 1 exam. There will be no make-ups for missed exams or quizzes. There will be no individual extra credit.

**Tentative Course Schedule:** Please see attached.

Additional copies of the syllabus and schedule are available at [www.carolmelton.com](http://www.carolmelton.com)

Please seek me out if you have any problems, questions or concerns about the course.