ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR World War II History 399B6-01 CRN 23857 2:00- 3:15 p.m. Monday and Wednesday

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Required Readings:

Williamson Murray and Allan R. Millett, <u>A War to Be Won: Fighting the Second World War</u> (Cambridge, MA: Belknap Press, 2000).

Haruko Taya Cook and Theodore F. Cook, <u>Japan at War: An Oral History</u> (New York: W.W. Norton, 1992).

Other sources will be distributed during the course online at www.carolmelton.com.

Course Description and Objectives:

This course focuses on the causes of the Second World War as well as its tactical, strategic and technological components. Particular emphasis will be given to the war's long term social, political and psychological repercussions.

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
- 3) Be able to understand the modern world in a clearer fashion.
- 4) Be able to express these clearly in writing.

Papers:

Each student will write one paper of 4-5 pages in length on an assigned topic. The paper must be typed and turned in on the assigned date. N.B. For each day or portion thereof, that the paper is late-- regardless of the reason--the instructor will reduce the grade by 10 points.

Students may also elect to write a research paper of @ 20 pages in place of the final exam. Written proposals for this paper must be turned in by the first week in February and must be approved by the professor.

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Exams:

There will be a mid-term and a final exams for this class. These exams are mandatory (unless the research paper replaces the final) and there will be no make-ups available.

Class Attendance and Performance:

Students' regular attendance is required. Any student who misses more than 4 classes will suffer the reduction of a letter grade on the final grade. The instructor endeavors to begin class punctually. If a student is not in his seat at the beginning of class, the student will be considered tardy. Two tardies equal one absence. Leaving class early will also count as a "tardy" If you anticipate that you may be late due to scheduling or some other reason, please notify the instructor beforehand.

Class Participation:

The instructor expects and encourage student participation and comment in class. Good class participation requires that students keep current in their reading assignments. A student's lack of participation will not reduce his final grade, but informed participation will result in an upward adjustment.

Grading system:

100-90 – A 89.9-80 - B 79.9-70 – C 69.9-60 – D 59.9 and below – F

Map Quiz 10 % of final grade Paper 1- 25% of final grade First Exam 30% of final grade Final Exam. 35% of final grade

Academic Misconduct:

As a Middle Georgia State University student and as a student in this class, you are responsible for reading, understanding, and abiding by the Student Code of Conduct. The Code of Conduct is included in University Handbook and is available on the university website. A student who plagiarizes or cheats will receive a grade of F for the class and be reported to the Dean of Students.

Disability Accommodations:

Students seeking academic accommodations for a special need must contact the MSC Counseling and Career Center at 471-2114 located on the second floor of the Student Life Center.

Please seek me out if you have any problems or concerns about the class.

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