

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR
Civil War and Reconstruction
History 3750
CRN 51027
10:00 a.m. – 2:40 p.m.
Tuesday and Thursday
Prerequisites: “C” or better in 2111 and 2112

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Required Readings:

James Mc Pherson, Battle Cry of Freedom (Oxford : Oxford Univ. Press, 1988)

Other sources will be distributed during the course online at carol.melton.com.

Course Description and Objectives:

This course focuses on the constitutional and economic causes of the American Civil 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.

Papers:

Each student will write 2 papers 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.

Exams:

There will be a final exam for this class. This exam is mandatory and there will be no make-ups available.

Class Attendance and Performance:

Students' regular attendance is required. Any student who misses more than one class 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. 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

Paper 1- 30%

Paper 2 – 35%

Final Exam.– 35%

Academic Misconduct:

As a Macon State College student and as a student in this class, you are responsible for reading, understanding, and abiding by the MSC Student Code of Conduct. The Code of Conduct is included in the Macon State Handbook and is available at <http://maconstate.edu/studentlife/studenthandbook.pdf>
A student who plagiarizes or cheats will receive a grade of F 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.