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General Syllabus

HIST 21203 United States History II

Credit Hours: 3

Lecture Hours: 3

Laboratory Hours: 0

Effective Catalog: 2019-2020

I. Course Information

A. Catalog Description

A continuation of United States history from 1877 to the present. It is not necessary to take HIST 21103 to receive credit for HIST 21203. (ACTS: HIST 2123)

II. Student Learning Outcomes

A. Subject Matter

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Describe the impact of Reconstruction on the social order of the nation.
2. Focus on the role of industrialization and labor organization on society.
3. Describe how the United States became a world power.
4. Explain the role of the nation in promoting worldwide economic and political policy.
5. Demonstrate knowledge of the impact of being a world power on the lives of every citizen.

B. University Learning Outcomes

This course enhances student abilities in the following areas:

Global and Cultural Perspectives

Students will reflect upon the cultural differences within the America and with other nations by exploring social, cultural, political, and economic factors. **Communication**

Skills (written and oral)

Students will use a formal documentation style for written presentation of research projects. Students will discuss particular aspects of Gilded Age and Roaring Twenties history.

C. Major Course Topics

- A. Reconstruction
- B. African Americans and segregation.
- C. Industrialization
- D. Native American relations
- E. Rise of labor unions
- F. Transportation and western migration
- G. American imperialism
- H. America in the World Wars
- I. Impact of the Great Depression
- J. Post war society
- K. Vietnam and the American role as world policeman
- L. Watergate, corruption and reform in American government.