



*Fairfield Ludlowe High School*

## **ADVANCED PLACEMENT MODERN EUROPEAN HISTORY**

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Day 1/3 Period 3

Day 2/4 Period 1

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### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

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The Advanced Placement Modern European History course deals with the facts, ideas, events and personalities, which have shaped Europe's history from approximately 1450 to the present. The journey through Europe's rich and diverse history takes the student from the tragedy of the Bubonic plague at the end of the Medieval Period to the establishment of contemporary Europe. Within the frameworks of chronological analysis, attention will also be given to unifying themes in intellectual and cultural history, political and diplomatic history, as well as social and economic history. Although the primary purpose of the course is enrichment of the high school experience, students are expected to take the Advanced Placement Modern European History Examination in May.

### **COURSE OBJECTIVES**

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Students should:

- Identify and apply fundamental historical concepts to local, national and international studies.
- Understand and interpret universal historical themes (such as ideas, institutions, conflict, and technology) in the context of the modern world experience.
- Develop an understanding of causal relationships through analysis of a variety of historical sources relating to the modern era.
- Understand the interaction of humans and the larger environment and the evolving consequences of those interactions.
- Analyze and understand the significance of physical and cultural characteristics of places and European regions.
- Explain and understand the human need for order which leads to conflict and compromise and the attempt to establish authority.

### **UNITS OF STUDY**

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- Medieval Europe
- The Renaissance
- The Reformation and Religious Wars
- Absolutism in Western and Eastern Europe
- The Enlightenment...Revolutions in Science and Thinking
- The French Revolution
- 19<sup>th</sup> Century Revolutionary Europe
- Leading up to WWI

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- World War I and II
- The World after WWII

## COURSE POLICIES AND REQUIREMENTS

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### GRADING

90%  
(Tests, Quizzes, Essays, Projects)

10%  
(Reading Assessments/Classwork)

Summative Assessments:

Formative Assessments/HW:

*Updated records of students' grades will be available through Infinite Campus.*

## MATERIALS

*A History of Western Society, 12<sup>th</sup> Ed. McKay, Crowston, Wisner-Hanks, Perry*

## EXPECTATIONS OF STUDENTS

- All assignments are due on the assigned date at the beginning of the class period. Late work is not accepted.
- If a student is absent, it is his or her responsibility to stay up to date with their assignments based on their unit calendar. If the absence was excused, the student has two days to hand in their assignment for full credit.
- If a student has an excused absence on the day of a test or quiz, he/she will make it up on the day of his/her return to school. This will be done either during the class period, or during his/her lunch period, study hall or after school. If a student has an excused absence on the day a project or assignment is due, the student must hand it in on the first day of their return for no loss of credit.
- If a student misses class due to an excused tardy or an excused dismissal on the day a paper/project is due, they are expected to hand it in if they are in school for any portion of the day.
- The school's Academic Integrity Policy is strictly enforced in my class. Any violation will be reported to the student's Dean and Guidance Counselor, as well as have National Honor Society implications. The policy is outlined in your Student Handbook.
- The primary instrument of student evaluation will be the comprehensive unit test, consisting of objective and essay questions based on both classroom presentations and outside reading.
- Every student will be presenting a power point presentation on one of the artistic trends in European History. This must be presented on the due date which will be confirmed two weeks prior.

## EXTRA HELP

Extra help is available on an as needed basis. See Mrs. Sousa for an after school appointment!