

**HSS 212-003 THE WORLD AND THE WEST****NJIT****COURSE CONTENT****Fall 2001****Instructor: Dr. Oguine****Class Meetings: TR 10:00-11:25 RM FAC 209****Office: Cullimore 331-3 Phone # 973-596-6302****Office Hours: 08:00-09:00AM (TRF) / 05:00-06:00PM (R)****Course Objectives:**

This course offers students the opportunity to explore major events in changing global relations and economy from 1500 to 1900 such as voyages of exploration and expansion, political, religious, scientific, intellectual and industrial revolutions, colonization, nationalism and imperialism. In addition, case studies in form of films will provide students with resource materials for comparative and contrasting analysis of Western cultures and other world cultures, which will help them to appreciate the impact of some of these global events on their families and countries.

**Required Texts:**

A course packet containing selections from *The Earth and Its Peoples: A Global History* by Richard W. Bulliet et al., "The Writing Process" from *The Bedford Handbook* by Diana Hacker and MLA Documentation from *The Scott, Foresman Handbook for Writers*.

OR

Bulliet, Richard W., et al. *The Earth and Its Peoples: A Global History*. 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. New York: Houghton Mifflin, 2001.

Hairston, Maxine et al. *The Scott, Foresman Handbook for Writers*. 5<sup>th</sup> ed. New York: Longman, 1999.

**Course Requirements:**

The required texts are available at NJIT Bookstore and "Affordable Copies" 68 Halsey Street, Newark, and should be purchased immediately to be used for references to reading assignments, maps, charts and pictures, and for in-class summaries and notes. **Students should aim at 100% attendance and punctuality in class, and must read before each class the scheduled readings in the syllabus.** In addition, there will be handouts and films which they are expected to make references to in their writing, discussions and class presentations. One group presentation, demonstrating collaborative efforts will be used for self-evaluation. Students will also write one group referenced paper and one individual referenced paper, 5-6 pages, typed and double-spaced; and a final examination essay. **Papers will be submitted in class on the due dates. Late papers and missed class assignments will be marked one grade down, so regular attendance is very important.**

**Final Grade Percentages:**

Attendance/Class participation/Individual presentation 20%; The two papers 20%; The group presentation 10%; Team work 10%; Class assignments 20%; Final examination 20%.

**SYLLABUS****Weeks I & II: Sept. 4 & 6 / 11 & 13**

**Introduction of syllabus and textbooks.** *The Earth and Its Peoples: A Global History: 417 - The Maritime Revolution, to 1550 - Bartolomeu Dias, Vasco da Gama, and Christopher Columbus.* Film: *Christopher Columbus: The Conquest of Paradise* / Group work: *Comparison of the voyages.*

**Weeks III, IV & V: Sept. 18 & 20/ 25 & 27/ Oct. 2 & 4**

**The Transformation of Europe, 1500-1750 : 445 - Religious Reformation, Royal Centralization, and Politics and the Economy / The Columbian Exchange : 472/ Films: Conquistadores and Mary Queen of Scots/ Team work: Peer-editing of group essay draft Oct. 4/ MLA Documentation 676.**

**Weeks VI, VII & VIII: Oct. 9 & 11 / 16 & 18 / 23 & 25**

**Eastern Eurasia, 1500-1800: 545 - Rule of Peter the Great 1689-1725, Rule of Catherine the Great 1762-1796 / Power and Trade in the Early Qing, Tea and Diplomacy / Films: Catherine the Great and King and Anna / Group referenced essay due in class Oct. 11. Group Debate.**

**Weeks IX, X & XI: Oct. 30 & Nov. 1 / 6 & 8 / 13 & 15**

**Revolutions Reshape the World, 1750-1870: 569 / The American Revolution 1775-1800, The French Revolution and the Napoleonic Age 1789-1815**  
Films: *American Revolution and Napoleonic Wars / The Industrial and The Technological Revolutions 1760-1851 / Team work: Peer-editing of individual referenced essay draft Nov. 6. Group Debate.*

**Weeks XII, XIII & XIV: Nov. 20 / 27 & 29 / Dec. 4 & 6**

**Africa, India, and the New British Empire 1750-1870: 647 / New Technologies and World Economy / The Scramble For Africa / The New Imperialism / Expansion of the World Economy - 747 / Films: *Globalization of Economy / Queen Victoria's Empire: India and Africa / Heritage: The Jews and Civilization.* Individual referenced paper due in class Nov. 20 / Group presentation Nov. 29 / Best paper due in class Dec. 4 / Revision for final examination / Portfolio Review - Dec. 6.**

**Week XV: December 11 - Last Day of Classes: Final Examination Essay.**