**Syllabus:** United States History I: Dual-Credit, Redwater and Maud High Schools  
**Course Number:** HIST 1301  
**Semester & Year:** Fall 2015

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**Textbook Information**

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Volume I: U. S. History Through 1877

**Redwater High School Course Description**

This course provides the opportunity for students to receive both high school and college credit

at the same time. Students who enter this course must meet the enrollment criteria of Texarkana

College and must pay their tuition at TC for three hours of college credit each semester. Grades will be recorded both at Redwater High School and at Texarkana College and will appear on each institution’s transcript. The course will be based on the same criteria as US History Since Reconstruction, including all reading, writing, and projects. Document based questions are addressed and outside reading is assigned. Student products and essays are vehicles for demonstrating mastery.

**Student Learning Objectives for the Course**

Upon completion of this course, the student will:

1. describe major developments in Native American culture.
2. identify reasons for European exploration and contact.
3. explain the characteristics of colonial culture.
4. distinguish the causes and effects of the American Revolution.
5. analyze the challenges confronting the government and its leaders in the early years of the Republic.
6. explain the fundamentals of Jeffersonian and Jacksonian democracy.
7. recognize the significance of the Industrial Revolution to American development.
8. understand how political, economic, and social factors led to the growth of sectionalism and the Civil War.
9. describe the course of the Civil war and identify its outcomes.
10. analyze the effects of Reconstruction on the political, economic, and social life of the nation.

**Student Requirements for Completion of the Course and Due Dates**

You will have a total of 8 test grades and 3 project grades, with 2 or 3 test grades and 1 project grade per six weeks. The TC Post-Test will be your semester final. Your semester average will be determined by adding twice each 3 six weeks’ grade plus the post-test and dividing by 7. Each test will include questions over any reading assignments, which will be made during class. Tests will consist of multiple choice and essay questions. Missed exams will be made up within a week.

**Student Assessment**

Your semester average will be determined by adding twice each 3 six weeks’ grade plus the post

test and dividing by 7.

***This syllabus is subject to change during the semester. All changes will be announced in class.***

**Grading Scale for Texarkana College**

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| **Grade** |  |
| **A** | 90-100 |
| **B** | 80-89 |
| **C** | 70-79 |
| **D** | 60-69 |
| **F** | 59-below |

**Grading Scale for Redwater/Maud**

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| **Grade** |  |
| **A** | 90-100 |
| **B** | 80-89 |
| **C** | 70-79 |
| **F** | 69-below |
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**Attendance/Absentee Policy**

Regular attendance is required for this course. High school policy is that you may have no more than nine absences each semester. Excessive absences may result in required make-up days. Contact the instructor immediately regarding any absence. TC’s absentee policy allows instructors to withdraw a student from a course due to excessive absences. A student should not stop attending a class without formally with-drawing from the course by TC’s published Last Day for Students to Drop. If a student stops attending class after the published Last Day for Students to Drop, the student **may** receive a grade of “F” in the class. The instructor will submit the last date of attendance for students receiving a grade of “F” or “W.” Withdrawal from a course(s) **may** affect a student’s current or future financial aid eligibility. Students should consult the Financial Aid Office to learn both short and long term consequences of a withdrawal.

**Texarkana College Cell Phone Policy**

Cell phones must be turned off and not visible in the class unless an emergency situation exists. This situation must be discussed with the instructor prior to class. TC’s policy states that if a student is caught text-messaging in class, the student will be dropped from the class. If a student’s cell phone rings in class, the student will receive a warning and will be dropped from class after the second offense.

**Academic Integrity Statement**

Scholastic dishonesty, involving but not limited to cheating on a test, plagiarism, col­lusion, or falsification of records will make the student liable for disciplinary action after being investigated by the Dean of Students. Proven violations of this nature will result in the student being dropped from the class with an “F”. This policy applies campus wide, including TC Testing Center, as well as off-campus classroom or lab sites, including dual credit campuses. This information can be found in the TC Student Handbook at <https://texarkanacollege.edu/PDFFiles/CurrentStudents/studenthandbook.pdf.>.

**Disability Act Statement:**

Texarkana College and Redwater High School comply with all provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act and makes reasonable accommodations upon request.  Please contact Larry Andrews in the Counseling Center at 903.832.3283, or go by the Advisement, Recruitment, and Retention Center located in the Administration building for personal assistance regarding Texarkana College.

**Course Schedule**

**Six Weeks Dates Material to be Covered\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

1st Aug. 24-Oct. 2 Tests: States and Capitals, Chapters 1, 2, 3, Chapters 4 & 5

Project: Political Cartoon Collection

2nd Oct. 5-Nov. 6 Tests: Chapters 6 & 7, Chapters 8 & 9, Chapters 10 & 11

Project: Political Cartoon Analysis Book

3rd Nov. 9-Dec. 18 Tests: Chapters 12, 13, 14, Chapters 15 & 16, TC Post-Test

Project: Gettysburg Address