The course of human history since 1750: A course in the far-reaching revolutions, social, political, industrial and technological, that have shaped the modern world.

Course objectives: The objectives of this history course are: (1) to guide students in the gathering, analyzing, and use of historical materials from primary sources through the writing of a research paper; (2) to create an understanding of the impact of change (in political or societal thought and in science and technology) upon world societies; (3) to identify the elements of societal life which are shared throughout the entire world; (4) to recognize the interactions of world societies; (5) to enable students to analyze historical problems; (6) to establish a sense of the chronology of world history as a basis for understanding other fields of study.

Dates to remember:
- Exam I – January 28
- Exam II – February 13
- Exam III – March 2
- Term paper confirmed March 6
- Quiz on YUKICHI – March 16
- Exam IV – March 25
- Quiz on MUSSOLINI – April 6
- Exam V – April 13
- Term paper due – April 17
- Final (comprehensive) examination – consult UST Final Exams Schedule

Texts: Edgar et al: CIVILIZATION PAST AND PRESENT
- Hopper: FUKUZAWA YUKICHI
- Cardoza – BENITO MUSSOLINI

The Professor provides a list of lectures for this course; the student should keep pace with the lectures by reading appropriate sections of Edgar. Major exams include essay and objective questions based on the lectures and upon the texts; it is impossible to discuss in class every topic from the text, so students should prepare carefully from both class notes and texts. Book quizzes take about half an hour. The Final Exam is comprehensive. Make-up exams, where permitted, are more difficult than scheduled exams and must be completed within five class days of returning to campus.

All work is due at class time on the day assigned. Work handed in late will receive a lower grade. No work will be accepted after the last class meeting.

Each student should prepare a formal term paper of no less than SEVEN pages of typed, double-spaced text employing footnotes; the font size must be 12, and the paper should be plain white. Illustrations or drawings should not be used unless they are essential to understanding the material. The topic of the paper may be any historical subject falling within the dates of this course for which ample primary source material is available and for which the professor has given approval. Secondary sources are also necessary, but the intent of the project is to bring students into contact with primary sources. The professor is happy to discuss the project personally; students should begin to consider possible projects immediately and the topic should
be approved by the beginning of spring break. The paper uses the format and forms derived from THE CHICAGO MANUAL OF STYLE. A STUDENT'S GUIDE TO HISTORY contains essential information on the planning and execution of such a project. Questions on the Final Examination may be based upon the paper the student has submitted or upon the research techniques discussed in Benjamin. Please note the due date.

Grading: 5 Exams @ 100 points each; 2 Book Quizzes @ 50 points each; 1 Term Paper @ 200 points; Class attendance and participation @ 50 points. Final Exam @ 200 points. Total possible points 1050.

COURSE SCHEDULE
1. Introduction to the course; the world in 1750
2. Politics and Societies in the Eighteenth Century
3. The European States Mature
4. The Enlightenment
5. The French Revolution: the Old Regime and its fall
6. The French Revolution: the New France and a changed world
7. Exam I
8. Napoleon
9. The French Empire and Europe
10. The Napoleonic impact around the world
11. Asia to 1815
12. Africa and Latin America to 1815
13. The Industrial Revolution
14. Exam II
15. The 19th century world
16. The Age of Metternich in Europe
17. The Revolutions of 1848
18. Democracies in the 19th century
19. Autocracies in the 19th century
20. European rivalries
21. Exam III
22. New Economic and Political Theories
23. Imperialism
24. The New Industrial Revolution; Hopper quiz
25. Asia 1815-1914
26. Africa 1815-1914
27. The Near East and the Americas 1815-1914
28. Exam IV
29. The World on the Brink
30. World War I
31. World War I; the USSR
32. The USSR; Cardoza quiz
33. Italy and the rise of Fascism
34. The failure of German democracy
35. Exam V
36. England and France 1918-1939
37. Asia, Africa and Latin America 1914-1945
38. World War II
39. World War II
40. The Cold War
41. The End of European Dominance
42. Power redefined
43. Summation