

Course Discription - American History

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Students will study 20th Century U.S. History with an emphasis on the turn of the century to the Vietnam War. Topics include: industrialization, immigration, urbanization, politics, foreign policy, economics, social and cultural development. Themes include: The Great Depression, World War I, World War II, The Holocaust, The Civil Rights Movement, the sixties and The Vietnam War. Course requirements: Individual project (student will select an historical event or person) and class presentation required each term. One outside reading book and class presentation required each semester. 1 credit

Course Outline - American History

- I. Term One*=====
• *Immigrants and Urbanization 1877-1914*
• *Life at the Turn of the Century 1877-1917*
• *The Progressive Era 1890-1920*
• *America Claims an Empire 1890-1920*
- II. Term Two*=====
• *The First World War 1914-1920*
• *Politics of the Roaring Twenties 1920-1929*
• *The Roaring Life of the 1920s 1920-1929*
• *The Great Depression Begins 1929-1933*
- III. Term Three*=====
• *The New Deal 1933-1940*
• *World War Looms 1931-1941*
• *The United States in World War II 1941-1945*
• *Cold War Conflicts 1945-1960*
- IV. Term Four*=====
• *The Postwar Boom 1946-1960*
• *The New Frontier and the Great Society 1960-1968*
• *Civil Rights 1954-1970*
• *The Vietnam War Years 1954-1975*