



# HST 101: Global History since 1500

## Overview

This course gives an overview of the main events across the globe from 1500 to the present. Rather than an overview of discrete polities and regions this course focuses on the connections and interactions between global powers and the peoples that they represent and/or conquer. The period of globalization that we will review in this course began with Portugal's efforts to find a sea route to the East. They were soon followed first by the Spanish, and then by the Dutch, French, and English. The imperial exploits of these European powers frame the broader global perspective of the course. This will first take us to the Islamic empires from the Mediterranean to India, then South America, Asia, and Africa before returning to Europe. The final section of the course will cover the two world wars of the twentieth century.

## What You'll Learn

- Basic knowledge of important historical events in Global history from 1500 to the present
- Make connections between past and present, local and global
- Understand history as historians practice it providing a broader and more engaging understanding of history
- Acquire and use critical thinking skills that will enhance the ability to comprehend and evaluate historical texts
- Learn how to sort through and evaluate historical information

## How to Succeed

To be successful in this course, we recommend English language fluency and computer literacy. We also encourage you to make sure your laptop or desktop computer meets the [technical requirements](#).

## Earn College Credit

This course appears on your transcript identically to how it appears on the transcript of an enrolled ASU student.

This course satisfies 3 credit hours toward the Humanities, Arts and Design (HU), Historical Awareness (H), and Global Awareness (G) General Studies requirement at Arizona State University. It is strongly encouraged that you consult with your institution of choice to determine how these credits will be applied.

In order to receive academic credit for this course, you must earn a grade of "C" or better. You have one year to add the course to your transcript.

## Exams and Grading

TBD

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## Time Commitment

This is an asynchronous, online course. This means, while you will have deadlines, you do not need to be at your computer at specific times or participate in live activities.

To be successful in this class, you must view all course pages and complete all graded work by the deadlines indicated. Also, keep in mind that "attendance" in an online course means logging into the platform on a regular basis, checking for course announcements, and visiting and participating in the discussion forums.

This 3 credit, 8 week course requires about 135 hours of work. Therefore, expect to spend approximately 15-20 hours per week preparing for and engaging in this course.

## Materials

This course makes use of open educational resources (OERs) provided within the course, **no purchase necessary**.

## Graded Assignments

Graded assignments are required and count towards your final grade. Students must submit all assignments via the course site unless otherwise instructed.

## Assignment Deadlines

Your instructional team will provide all content and learning activities on or through your course site. It is your responsibility to review all content, fulfill all assignments on time, and ask any questions you have in the designated discussion area. It is also your responsibility to determine the due dates and times for all course assignments according to your time zone. Due to the large-scale format of Universal Learner Courses, late assignments will not be accepted at any point during the course, and we cannot make exceptions.

## Course Communication

All communication will take place via the discussion forums and course announcement page. There will be a discussion forum where you can post general questions, comments, and direct inquiries for the instructor and course team. Please use these forums to ensure a timely response. Your instructor will not be able to respond to email.

## Additional Information

If you have questions about Universal Learner Courses and how they work, please visit [ea.asu.edu](http://ea.asu.edu) or contact our support team at [ulcourses@asu.edu](mailto:ulcourses@asu.edu).