Roxbury Community College Social Sciences Course Outcome

SSI 101: World History I

Outcome	Activities	Assessment
 Understand the appearance of humankind in the planet Acquire a basic notion of the discipline of History Understand the role of the environment in the development of the earliest, River Civilizations. List the social and political characteristics of ancient civilizations: (a)Sumerian/Mesopotamian, (b) classical Egyptian, Indus River civilizations, (d) Hebrew and Phoenician (e) List and recognize the major cultural achievements of the corresponding civilizations. Identify the contributions made by prior civilizations to subsequent ones. Understand the process of conquest and state building: The Persian, Roman and Chinese Empires. 	 Identify the principal hominids and the role of evolution in history. Reading and analyzing examples primary sources as sources of data as well as indicators of value systems. Assigned readings. In-class discussion of assigned readings. Assigned study of visual manifestations of architecture and art. Assigned study of maps of specific geographical areas and environments being studied. Discussion and visual analyses of geographical factors in events and developments and their connections. Lectures and discussions of assigned readings. Explanations and analysis of events, actions and individuals that led to political, social and economic changes. 	 In-class lectures and explanations In-class discussions, questions and answers Explanations of data and concepts in in-class written test. Identification of specific cultural manifestations in written test. Comparisons, identification and discussion of studied data in written test. Identification of connections between civilizations and societies in class discussions and written, inclass test. Application of knowledge acquired in two-page, take home essays using historical films. Comparisons, identification and discussion of studied data in written test. In-class discussions, questions and answers.

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- Understand the concept of cultural diversity within one civilization and vis à vis others: Classical Greece and the Persian Empire.
- > Grasp the basic development of Ancient Indian Civilization and its diverse religious manifestation.
- ➤ To understand the mechanisms through which religion and trade promote intercontinental globalization and multiculturalism: International trade, Buddhism and Islam in Asia, Africa and Europe.
- ➤ To know the political and cultural mechanisms that created Western Civilization in the Middle Ages.
- To appreciate the different value systems of the (pre- Columbian) American civilizations and understand the social and economic systems of Mesoamerica and South America
- ➤ To analyze the political, economic, racial and social elements involved in the development of a European dominated north and South America after 1492.

- Explanations and analysis of events, actions and individuals that led to cultural changes and products of human invention or artistic imagination.
- In-class comparisons of technological advanced civilizations and identification of technological innovations.
- In-class evaluations of factors affecting change.
- Analysis of the role of religion and trade in the development of American civilizations.
- Analysis of the role of social groups and classes in Pre-Columbian American societies
- Evaluation of technology and environment in worldwide European expansion and domination.
- Evaluation of the role of class, economic and cultural/religious factors for/in worldwide European expansion.
- Analysis of adaptation and development of new systems and the factors involved.