

T-Th, 10:10 -- 11:40

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MR. GARFIELD

This course surveys the origin of civilization, and its evolution in different regions of the world. It studies how questions that are important to every people, such as religion, law, government, economy, and warfare, have been dealt with over the past five thousand years.

The course consists of both lectures and readings. Attendance, except on exam days, is optional but students are responsible for all material covered in class, and for any announcements made in class. Students are likewise responsible for all assigned readings, even if not further discussed in class -- these will be tested on exams.

History 218 satisfies one of the requirements in the Liberal Studies Program, in the Domain of "Understanding the Past," and in the area of "Intercontinental/Comparative."

As a matter of courtesy, students must turn off all cell phones and pagers before coming to class. Anyone who disrupts the class by sending or receiving a call during the class will be asked to leave for the day. Repeated offenses will lead to the student being dropped from the course.

Students should be aware of the DePaul Student Handbook statements regarding cheating on exams and plagiarism. In this course, any student caught cheating on an exam in any manner will fail the course, and the situation reported to the Dean of Liberal Arts for further action at the university level.

Grades for the course will be based on two Exams during the term and a Final Exam; their weight toward the term grade is indicated below. Each exam will have a point value only; no letter-grade will be given to individual exams. At the end of the course, each student's points will be added up, the totals put on a curve, and a final letter-grade derived. This will be the only actual letter-grade given, but the Instructor will inform students after each exam as to their course progress in nominal letter-grade terms. Even though the course grade will be based on a curve, in no case will a student whose points are less than 50% of the total be given a passing grade.

Each exam will consist of multiple-choice questions and a map section which will require students to be able to recognize and locate on maps the places that have been shown and discussed in class. Students should make use of the tear-out outline maps at the end of the textbook. Students might also wish to purchase an inexpensive paperback atlas.

There will be no quizzes, "pop" or otherwise; no term paper is required nor are any "extra-credit" papers or projects accepted; don't even ask, to save both of us from the unpleasantness of saying "no." The dates for the exams are given below, and except in unusual circumstances approved by the Instructor *in advance*, **NO MAKE-UP EXAMS WILL BE GIVEN!**

The text for the course is: R. Garfield, "Portraits of Civilization, Part I." All page references are to that book. In addition, brief xeroxed readings will be handed out.

The topics to be covered in the course, the dates on which they will be discussed, and the required readings for each, are:

- Jan. 4--Introduction. The origin of civilization; [no readings].
- Jan. 6--No Class: Instructor's absence.
- Jan. 11--The Nature of Civilization; xeroxed readings.
- Jan. 13--Chinese Civilization: Origins; 55-60.
- Jan. 18--Chinese Civilization: Beliefs and Society; 60-65.
- Jan. 20--Chinese Civilization: Beliefs and Society; 65-73.
- Jan. 25--Chinese Civilization: the Chinese State; 73-79.
- Jan. 27--FIRST EXAM (30%)**
- Feb. 1--Civilization in Pre-Columbian North America: 195-200.
- Feb. 3--Civilization in Pre-Columbian North America: 200-209.
- Feb. 8--Civilization in Tropical America: 209-217.
- Feb. 10--Civilization in Tropical America: 218-224.
- Feb. 15--SECOND EXAM (30%)**
- Feb. 17--African Civilization: Geography & Ecology; 137-142, 151-153.
- Feb. 22--African Civilization: Society; 153-162, 164-166.
- Feb. 24--African Civilization: Empires; 143-151, 162-164.
- Mar. 1--West European Civilization: Christianity & Europe; 21-25, 167-72.
- Mar. 3--West European Civilization: Germanic Europe; 172-181.
- Mar. 8--West European Civilization: Feudal Europe; 181-187.
- Mar. 10--West European Civilization: Europe Transformed; 187-194.

The Instructor's office hours for Winter Quarter will be in Room 406, SAC. Hours are T-Th, 8:30-10:00 and 3:00-4:00 (to 5:30 on Tuesdays). The Instructor's phone number is (773) 325-1556; it has voice-mail for taking messages. Please give your name and phone number, including the area code, if you want your call returned. The Instructor's e-mail address is rgarfiel@depaul.edu