

Bossier Parish Community College
Master Syllabus

Course Prefix & Number: HIST 203

Credit hours: 3

Course Title: Louisiana History

Course Prerequisites: None

Textbook(s): Wall, Bennett, Rodrigue, John. *Louisiana: A History*. 6th Edition.

Course Description: A study of the history of Louisiana emphasizing exploration, settlement, development, European domination, and political characteristics up to the present. The Louisiana Statewide Common Course Catalog name and number for this course are CHIS 2033: Louisiana History.

Learning Outcomes:

At the end of the course, the student will:

- A. Analyze the pre-Columbian history of Louisiana and Spanish exploration.
- B. Evaluate the broad economic and political forces of the Atlantic World that led to the establishment of Louisiana as a French colony and the subsequent governments that have ruled Louisiana.
- C. Assess the impact of major events since statehood.
- D. Analyze the causes and effects of the Civil Rights Movement in Louisiana from the 1940s to present.
- E. Evaluate the impact of environmental events on the culture, economy, and landscape of Louisiana

To achieve the learning outcomes, the student will:

(The letter designations at the end of each statement refer to the learning outcome(s).)

1. Identify the different Native American tribes present at the time of European exploration and the European countries (Spain, France, Great Britain, later the U.S.) that sought control and, at different points, did control Louisiana (A, B)
2. Characterize the French and Spanish leaders that governed Louisiana and the legacies they left upon its development of and mitigation of African slavery (A, B)
3. Critique the circumstances surrounding the Louisiana Purchase and the subsequent changes in government under American rule (B)
4. Summarize the causes and effects of all wars in which Louisiana was involved from colonial times to present (B,C)
5. Explain Reconstruction, Bourbon Rule, Plessy v. Ferguson, Jim Crow Laws and their impact on Louisiana. (C,D)
6. Describe the development of the Civil Rights Movement in Louisiana in the 1940s and 1950s and the Civil Rights Movement's impact from the 1960s to present day (C,D)
7. Investigate the impact of catastrophic events, including the 1927 Mississippi River Flood and Hurricanes Audrey, Betsy, and Katrina (C,E)

8. Examine the state governors and governments of Louisiana since its statehood in 1812, including the social and political forces involved in each administration (C)

Course Requirements: The following are intended to help the learner meet the stated learning outcomes of the course: students will attend class; students will be evaluated on results of semester exams; students will be required to participate in class discussions and activities.

Course Grading Scale:

- A 90-100%
- B 80-89%
- C 70-79%
- D 60-69%
- F 59% or below

Course Fees: None

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