



HST 216: Brilliances and Blunders: American Foreign Policy-1898 to the Present

This course provides a critical analysis of the major United States foreign policy trends of the 20th century and to the present time, with an emphasis on the historical roots of the nation's foreign policy and its diplomatic, political, economic, and military engagements with foreign nations. The issues are discussed in a global perspective and connections between historical and recent events are emphasized. This course aids students in their efforts to understand the principles of group behavior and how power is wielded among nations and how key groups in the U.S. weigh in on foreign policy decisions. A passing score on the college's reading and writing placement tests or concurrent enrollment in ENG 091 or ENG 092. Three lecture hours per week. Gen Ed Competencies met: Ethical Dimensions, Global and Historical Awareness

Course Student Learning Outcomes

Students who successfully complete this course will be able to: 1. Identify the key elements and events of US foreign policy. 2. Assess the historical roots of the nation's foreign policy. 3. Evaluate US foreign policy relations with developing nations from World War II to the present. 4. Evaluate the types and terms of engagements between the U.S. and foreign nations. 5. Analyze the major United States foreign policy trends of the 20th century to the present time.

Credits: 3

Program: History