



Bloomington High School is a diverse community that supports lifelong learners who are responsible and productive citizens in our global society. Together we will provide a safe environment that guides students to reach their full potential in pursuit of academic and personal fulfillment.

**Course Title:** Honors World History (Year; 1 credit)

**Course Description:** This course is intended for the highly motivated Freshman taking an honors and AP schedule during the four years at BHS. The course follows the same chronological outline as World History, moving from Renaissance to Industrial Revolution in the first semester and Imperialism to modern events the second. While the text book is the primary source of information, outside material will be assigned with the intention of drawing parallels between historical forces at work in the past and today's modern world. Students will work at developing their interpretive and analytical skills along with writing skills helping to prepare them for an AP American History class. This course carries the Honors G.P.A. weighting.

**Units of Study:**

Semester 1:

- Unit 1 - European Renaissance and Reformation, 1300-1600.
- Unit 2 - The Muslim World Expands, 1300-1700.
- Unit 3 - An Age of Explorations and Isolation, 1400-1800.
- Unit 4 - The Atlantic World, 1492-1800
- Unit 5 - Absolute Monarchs in Europe, 1500-1800.
- Unit 6 - Enlightenment and Revolution, 1550-1789
- Unit 7 - The French Revolution and Napoleon, 1789-1815
- Unit 8 - Nationalists Revolutions Sweep the West, 1789-1900

Semester 2:

- Unit 1 - The Industrial Revolution, 1700-1900.
- Unit 2 - An Age of Democracy and Progress, 1815-1914.
- Unit 3 - The Age of Imperialism, 1850-1914.
- Unit 4 - Transformations Around the Globe, 1800-1914.
- Unit 5 - The Great War, 1914-1918
- Unit 6 - Revolution and Nationalism, 1900-1939
- Unit 7 - Years of Crisis, 1919-1939,
- Unit 8- World War II, 1939-1945

**Texts and Required Readings:**

Modern World History: Patterns of Interaction (McDougal Littell)

**BHS Grading Scale and Policy:**

The semester final grade is obtained from running semester grade (80%) and the semester final exam grade (20%). This means that you will have already earned 80% of your final grade by the time you reach semester exams. Semester exams are required. [BHS Handbook, pg. 17](#)

90-100% = A

80-89% = B

70-79% = C

60-69% = D

Below 60% = F

**BHS Makeup Work Policy:**

All students are expected to do makeup work in a timely fashion. It is the student's responsibility to obtain assignments prior to a pre-arranged absence, and immediately upon return for all other absences. General rule: one day absence affords one day to complete formative makeup work. For summative, students should expect to complete on the day of return. Failure to complete makeup work by the teacher deadline will result in a zero/missing in Gradebook. [BHS Handbook, pg. 37](#).

**Discussing Controversial Issues in the Classroom:**

The guidelines set forth by the District 87 Board Policy 6.070 will be used handling controversial issues in the classroom. Please contact your teacher if you have any questions.