**HIS 102 World History II**

* **SUNY Gen Ed Course:**

World History and Global Awareness (formerly Other World Civilization)

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**This section of HIS 102 has been designated an Enduring Questions (EQ) course.** One of the primary goals of the EQ designation is to demonstrate to participants that disciplines across the liberal arts are grappling with similar ideas.

Our course readings are drawn from a list of primary source texts that have stood the test of time and reveal the complexity of the human condition. EQ courses do not require additional reading or work. Instead, these courses aim to help you form the habit of posing and grappling with “big questions” while developing the skill of close reading. Welcome to the Enduring Questions course!

This course examines fundamental questions about the human experience through core texts and examining the natureof

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Rights & Responsibilities  
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Beauty/Love/Truth/Friendship.**

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