

Syllabus & Course Instructions

Due to the increasingly technological nature of our society, I find it necessary to address the issue of cell phones in class. Please turn off all of these electronic devices before coming to class, as they are disruptive to the learning environment and distracting to other students. Thank you!!

I also need to address tardiness to class in a more formalized manner. As with the cell phone issue, lateness is also disruptive and distracting to a positive learning experience. Constant carping on this issue both demeans the class and takes away from learning time. Though I realize many of you are at the mercy of an RTS bus system that doesn't necessarily follow its assigned schedule, I urge you, as responsible adults, to arrive to class on time ready to learn. If I can get to class on time by taking the bus- so can you!

Class attendance is an important component of your learning experience. Since students are adults, a mandatory attendance policy will not be in effect for this class. Understand, however, that you will not be able to get a good grade without coming to class. Make-ups for quizzes will not be available, except for excused medical absences (signed by authorized medical personnel) or attendance at official university functions.

Students requesting classroom accommodations for disability issues must first register with the Dean of Students. That office will provide documentation to the student who then must provide that documentation to me. I am more than willing to do whatever is necessary to ensure an optimum learning environment for all students.

Be aware of the University's policy on plagiarism. It can be found at <http://www.dso.ufl.edu/judicial/academic.php>. The Internet has made this situation more problematic but understand that plagiarists will be caught. Any questions about what constitutes plagiarism, please do not hesitate to ask. All plagiarism will be reported on a Faculty Adjudication Form and forwarded to the Office of Student Judicial Affairs.

The 3 books for this course will be available on-line & at the UF Bookstore as well as other bookstores near campus. If you have any problems in buying the books, please let me know as soon as possible.

The books are:

1. Florida :A Short History. Michael Gannon (University Press of Florida, 2003).
Florida in syllabus
2. Death in the Everglades: The Murder of Guy Bradley, America's First Martyr to Environmentalism. Stuart McIver (University Press of Florida, 2003).
3. Devil in the Grove: Thurgood Marshall, the Groveland Boys, & the Dawn of a New America. Gilbert King (Harper Collins, 2012).

There will also be required course reserve readings on-line from the Florida Historical Quarterly & edited books on Florida history. These will be listed in the syllabus as **FHQ** & available through the UF library's web page at

<https://login.ufl.edu/idp/Authn/UserPassword>

Once you create an account, you can access the readings for this course. This may seem difficult, but it is actually easy & it certainly saves you the expense of purchasing a course pack of readings. There are 11 required readings from this reserve system. Book readings are to be finished by the end of the week they are assigned. Each week there is an assignment from the course reserve list, you are to hand in a one page synopsis of the assigned. You may take ONE pass from this assignment (there are 11 articles- you need to hand in 10 assignments- but you need to READ ALL the pieces). These 10 assignments are worth 10 % of your grade. Grading on the assignment is simple- you will either get a 1, a .5, or a 0. All I am looking for here is that you do the reading and tell me about it.

Weekly Syllabus & Readings-

It is important that you keep up on the readings, as they will provide the base knowledge for class lectures and discussions.

Week One- January 5-8- Florida & the Civil War
Florida 40-46

Week Two- January 11-15 Reconstruction
Florida 46-53
FHQ- Harmon Murray

Week Three- January 18-22 Jim Crow & Redemption
Florida- 53-66
FHQ- Steamboats, Cypress, & Tourism
Tuesday, January 19 - PK Yonge Library of Florida History orientation-
(we will meet in Library East)

Week Four- January 25-29 Gilded Age Florida
Quiz One- Thursday, January 28

Week Five- February 1-5 The 1890s

Week Six- February 8-12 Florida & the Spanish-American-Cuban War

Week Seven- February 15-19- Into the 20th Century
Florida- 67-77
FHQ- Free Speech at the University of Florida
Read Death in the Everglades

THURSDAY FEB 18th class will be held at the UF law school-
Gilbert King, author of Devil in the Grove will be talking
4:00 -5:30 PM Lecture and Discussion
5:30-6:00 PM Reception
180 Holland Hall (Chesterfield Smith Class Room)

Week Eight- February 23-27- Florida & World War I
No readings- STUDY for the exam!!
Midterm Exam- Thursday, February 25th - class period

SPRING BREAK- February 29-March 4

Week Nine- March 7-11- 1920s- Boom & Bust
Florida- 77-88
FHQ- The Icelandicman Cometh

Week Ten- March 14-18 The Great Depression
Florida- 88-100
**FHQ- TWO ARTICLES - White Robes and Crosses & Blasting
Through Paradise**

Week Eleven- March 21-25- Florida & World War II
Florida- 100-109
**FHQ TWO ARTICLES- Liberty Square & The Politics of Race in
Daytona Beach**
Read Devil in the Grove Pages 1-218
Website Assignment Due- Thursday, March 24th

Week Twelve- March 28-April 1- Post-War Boom
Florida- 109-130
**FHQ- TWO ARTICLES- Beginnings of Big Sugar & Origins of
Tallahassee's Racial Policy**
Read Devil in the Grove Pages 219-361

Week Thirteen- April 4-8- Florida & the 1960s
Florida- 130-139
FHQ- Jamaican Farmworkers
Obituary/Biography Assignment Due- Thursday, April 7th

Week Fourteen- April 11-15- The Impact of Disney/Modern Florida
Florida- 139-160

Week Fifteen- April 19th - The 21st century-Death of the Florida Dream?

Quiz 2- Tuesday April 19
Last Day of Class- Tuesday- April 19.

**Final Paper Due- Friday, April 28th - 10:00 AM-12:00 noon in our
classroom**