

**Course Code:** HIS 102 (IAI S2 903)

**Course Title:** History of Western Civilization II

**Department:** Arts, Media, and Social Sciences

**Effective Date:** Summer 2026

**PCS Code:** 1.1 - Baccalaureate/Transfer

**CIP Code:** 54.0101

**Repeatability:** 0

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## Credit Hours

**Catalog Notation:** 4-0-4

**Credit Hour Distribution:**

Lecture: 4

Lab: 0

Clinical: 0

**Total: 4**

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## General Course Information

### Catalog Description

Examination of the origins and development of major social, political, economic, and intellectual institutions of European civilization from 1715 through the present. (3 credit hours in Salzburg program)

### General Course Objectives

To analyze, discuss, and appreciate the origins and development of major social, political, economic, and intellectual institutions of European civilization from 1715 through the present.

### Minimum Placement Levels

English	Reading	Math
Placement out of ENG 098	Placement out of CCS 098	None

### Prerequisites

None

### Methods of Evaluation

Students take a midterm and a final exam; both are mixed objective-essay exams. Students are required to complete a reading and writing assignment which is usually a 2,000 word research paper which makes use of both primary and secondary sources.

### Instructional Materials and Additional Supplies

The Making of the West, Value Edition, Volume II, 978-1319105020

## Course Content

### General Learning Outcomes (GLOs)

- Critical Thinking and Information Literacy: Students will demonstrate the ability to evaluate perspectives, evidence, and implications, and to locate, assess, and use information effectively.
- Global Awareness and Cultural Reasoning: Students will demonstrate their understanding of global issues, gender and sexual orientation, and multicultural perspectives.

### Course Segments and Student Learning Outcomes

Course Segment	Learning Outcomes	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours
Absolutism in Europe	1. Review and interpret the origins and main ideas of the Enlightenment and their application by the Enlightened despots.	4	0	0
Toward a New World View	1. Summarize and appraise the achievements of the 16th and 17th century scientific and cultural revolutions.	4	0	0
European Economy of the 18th Century	1. Examine the development of economic globalism through trade and a growing trend toward industrialization.	4	0	0
Revolution in Politics	1. Demonstrate understanding of the major causes of the French Revolution, and discuss the significance of the event.	4	0	0
The Industrial Revolution	1. Explain the Industrial Revolution in terms of characteristics, origins, and impact on the political, social, economic, and cultural development of Europe from the mid-18th century through the present.	4	0	0
Ideologies and Upheavals: 1850-1914	1. Analyze the late 19th century and early 20th century background for WWI.	4	0	0
Life in Urban Society	1. Delineate and interpret urbanization and changes in lifestyle from the 19th century to the present.	4	0	0
The Age of Nationalism	1. Discuss the relationships between ideas and actions in the 19th century (i.e. Romanticism and Revolution, Liberalism and Reform, Darwinism).	4	0	0
The West and the World	1. Demonstrate understanding of the reasons for and impact of the rise of New Imperialism in the late 19th century.	4	0	0
World War I: The End of Innocence	1. Review the consequences of WWI for the major countries involved.	4	0	0
The Russian Revolution	1. Evaluate the Russian Revolution in terms of the Czarist Russian past, Marxism, the roles of Lenin and Trotsky, and the effects inside and outside Russia. 2. Outline 20th century modernism in society and culture.	4	0	0
The Age of Anxiety	1. Understand the economic changes and growth and the tension and uncertainty in the inter-war period.	4	0	0
Dictatorships and the Second World War	1. Compare and contrast the rise of totalitarianism in Italy and Germany in the 20th century.	4	0	0
Recovery of Europe	1. Examine the basis of the Cold War, various interpretations of its origins, and its effect on Europe, Russia, and the United States.	4	0	0
Life in Our Times	1. Delineate and interpret the post-Cold War Western world and its interactions with the global world.	4	0	0

#### Total Contact Hours

Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours
60	0	0