**HIST 2381 African-American History I**

**Course Syllabus Spring 2025 first 8-weeks**



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| **Office**  **Hours** | **Monday** | **Tuesday** | **Wednesday** | **Thursday** | **Friday** | **Online** |
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| 9:30 – 11:00  1:00 – 3:30 | 9:30-12:00  1:00-3:30 | 9:30 – 11:00  1:00 – 3:30 | 9:30-12:00  1:00-3:30 | By appointment |  |

*The information contained in this syllabus is subject to change without notice. Students are expected to be aware of any additional course policies presented by the instructor during the course.*

**Course Description:** A survey of the social, political, economic, cultural, and intellectual history of people of African descent in the formation and development of the United States to the Civil War/Reconstruction period. African American History I includes the study of African origins and legacy, trans-Atlantic slave trade, and the experiences of African Americans during Colonial, Revolutionary, Early National, Antebellum, and the Civil War/Reconstruction Eras. This course will enable students to understand African American history as an integral part of U.S. history. (May be applied to the U.S. History requirement.)

**Prerequisite(s):** none

# Student Learning Outcomes:

1. Create an argument through the use of historical evidence. (SLO1)
2. Analyze and interpret primary and secondary sources. (SLO2)
3. Analyze the effects of historical, social, political, economic, cultural, and global forces on this period of African American history. (SLO3)

# Evaluation/Grading Policy:

# 40% In-Class Activities, Participation, Attendance

# 40% Online Activities, Discussion Boards

# 10% Oral History Project

# 10% Exams

**Numerical grading scale:** A: 100%-90; B: 89-80; C: 79-70; D: 69-60; F: 59 or below

**Required Instructional Materials:** Franklin, Higginbotham. *From Slavery to Freedom*. 10th ed, eBook included

# Publisher: McGraw-Hill ISBN Number: 978-0-07-351334-8

# Optional Instructional Materials: none

# Minimum Technology Requirements: You must have access to a computer to take this course. Your computer needs to have Windows XP SP3 or later or MAC OS X10.3 or higher. You will need Office 2003 or higher, and you will need broadband internet access. You can check your operating system by right clicking on the My Computer icon on the home screen. You can check your word processing program by going to Start and clicking on All Programs. You will find your Office program there. If you do not have access to a computer with the minimum computer requirements, I strongly suggest that you reconsider taking this hybrid course.

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**Required Computer Literacy Skills**: Ability to use Blackboard as well as Microsoft Office. Microsoft Office programs, including Word, are provided free to all enrolled students.

# Communications: Blackboard messages or direct email serve as the best ways to communicate. \*Reminder: NTCC email is the official form of communication used by the college.

# Netiquette rules for communication: Be respectful

**Alternate Operations During Campus Closure and/or Alternate Course Delivery Requirements**

In the event of an emergency or announced campus closure due to a natural disaster or pandemic, it may be necessary for Northeast Texas Community College to move to altered operations. During this time, Northeast Texas Community College may opt to continue delivery of instruction through methods that include, but are not limited to, online through the Blackboard Learning Management System, online conferencing, email messaging, and/or an alternate schedule. It is the responsibility of the student to monitor NTCC’s website (<http://www.ntcc.edu/>) for instructions about continuing courses remotely, Blackboard for each class for course-specific communication, and NTCC email for important general information.

Additionally, there may be instances where a course may not be able to be continued in the same delivery format as it originates (face-to-face, fully online, live remote, or hybrid). Should this be the case, every effort will be made to continue instruction in an alternative delivery format. Students will be informed of any changes of this nature through email messaging and/or the Blackboard course site.

# NTCC Academic Honesty/Ethics Statement:

NTCC upholds the highest standards of academic integrity. The college expects all students to engage in their academic pursuits in an honest manner that is beyond reproach using their intellect and resources designated as allowable by the course instructor. Students are responsible for addressing questions about allowable resources with the course instructor. Academic dishonesty such as cheating, plagiarism, and collusion is unacceptable and may result in disciplinary action. This course will follow the NTCC Academic Honesty and Academic Ethics policies stated in the Student Handbook. Refer to the student handbook for more information on these subjects.

# ADA Statement:

It is the policy of NTCC to provide reasonable accommodations for qualified individuals who are students with disabilities. This College will adhere to all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and guidelines with respect to providing reasonable accommodations as required to afford equal educational opportunity. It is the student’s responsibility to request accommodations. An appointment can be made with the Academic Advisor/Coordinator of Special Populations located in Student Services and can be reached at 903-434-8264.

# Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA):

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is a federal law that protects the privacy of student education records. The law applies to all schools that receive funds under an applicable program of the U.S. Department of Education. FERPA gives parents certain rights with respect to their children’s educational records. These rights transfer to the student when he or she attends a school beyond the high school level. Students to whom the rights have transferred are considered “eligible students.” In essence, a parent has no legal right to obtain information concerning the child’s college records without the written consent of the student. In compliance with FERPA, information classified as “directory information” may be released to the general public without the written consent of the student unless the student makes a request in writing. Directory information is defined as: the student’s name, permanent address and/or local address, telephone listing, dates of attendance, most recent previous education institution attended, other information including major, field of study, degrees, awards received, and participation in officially recognized activities/sports.