

## World History, Digital Humanities

### Grades and Assignments

#### I. Grades

The grade distribution for your assignments will be as follows.

Seven, two-week module projects (7% each module)	49.00%
Final exhibit project	10.00%
Weekly quizzes	16.00%
Discussions	22.00%
Class citizenship	3.00%

I grade with weighted grades. Thus, a grade of 87 points for an assignment worth 1% of the total grade is worth less than a grade of 87 points for an assignment worth 10% of your grade.

#### II. Graded Assignments Explanations: You earn your grades with the following assignments.

Each assignment will have both explicit directions and a grading rubric, handed out at least a week before the assignment is due.

**Module Grades** – Each module runs two weeks and will include two projects, each worth 3.5% of your final grade. The first project will be competency-based: show that you know how to use the digital history tool introduced (for example, how to search a database) and you'll receive full credit. The second project will ask you to build on your knowledge of the first week, and make an argument using the week's readings and digital history tools.

**Weekly Quizzes** – Each week you will take a timed quiz designed to assess your command of the material for that week. The quiz is on D2L. Your lowest two scores will be dropped. Technical or human errors will not count as a "do over" for any reason: there are no exceptions. The quizzes are designed to encourage you to read and take notes. The quizzes are open book. I design quizzes to test your knowledge of readings much as I might ask you for a detailed plot summary of a movie.

**Discussions** – The biggest part of your grade comes from discussions. Each week I will offer prompts to discuss. The quality of your regular participation in discussions will determine your grade. This is the best place for students to explore their ideas about the past creatively as you'll be supported and challenged by the widest range of thinkers.

**Class Citizenship/ Participation-** A small part of your grade relates to your behavior in this course. Students who are respectful and honor each other's' contributions will earn high marks. Disrespectful behavior, such as name calling or any type harassment, will result in a poor citizenship grade. This part of the grade also allows those who participate more in discussions to

earn more points. This grade is especially important given the difficulty of communicating primarily through writing.

Students may check their grades at any time on [Desire2Learn](#).