

**AP EUROPEAN HISTORY COURSE INFORMATION FOR DRHS SCHOOL
YEAR 2019-2020**

1. **There is a summer assignment for this course.** You will need to purchase the book online and complete the work for it, chapter by chapter. The book is interesting and the work is not hard. The book/work provides you with the much needed foundation to start the course. **It will be due on the first day of school.**
2. You must inherently like/enjoy history to want to take this course. If you do not like history, this is not the course for you.
3. This specific AP course (unlike some other AP courses) **requires large amounts of textbook reading and homework.** The textbook reading is approximately 4-5 hours a week, depending on how fast you read, and the homework is somewhat lengthy and is all hand-written. **The homework will take a couple hours a week, every week, all year long, and it should be well-done.**
4. However, I give very long deadlines for the work to be due, so completing the work is really a case of your time-management.
5. There is not a substitute for reading the textbook. The AP exam in May 2020 is assuming that you have read the entirety of the textbook. Using online resources to complete homework, study, or learn will not work as a substitute for the textbook.
6. We will not use our laptops in the classroom. No work is typed. However, we will view graphics, videos, images, maps, etc., daily in class on our Smartboard to help us with content.

7. This course involves learning three (3) new writing/essay skills throughout the year to prepare for the written portions of the AP Exam. We will work on them throughout the year.
8. This course involves learning Stimulus-based Multiple Choice questions, which are different from standard MC questions. However, we will also incorporate standard-style MC questions throughout the year on our quizzes and tests.
9. This course has three (3) outside books to read with assignments to go with them. They are due respectively in MP2, MP3, and MP4. No class time is devoted to reading these books and doing the work. However, the books are super interesting and the outside work is not hard to do.
10. You have to take hand written notes in class daily and be prepared to actively listen and write at the same time.

Please see me anytime if you have any questions! Thank you!

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