

Advanced Placement European History: 1450-Present

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According to research by professors David M. Quinn and Morgan Polikoff “on average, students’ achievement scores declined over summer vacation by one month’s worth of school-year learning, [...] and the extent of loss was larger at higher grade levels” (“Summer Learning Loss”). My summer assignments, therefore, are designed to keep your brains engaged and get you started on the first units of the school year.

Summer assignments are graded, but more importantly, they require you to think, to problem solve, and to access the skills you’ve acquired in the past. In some way, the work you do will be integrated into what we study the first quarter, so please do your best.

Part I Geography Test

45 points

August 16, 2018

1. There will be a **map test** on the first day of class. Be able to locate the following:

Salt Water

Adriatic Sea
Baltic Sea
Black Sea
English Channel
Mediterranean Sea

Rivers

Danube
Loire
Rhine
Thames

Mountains

Alps
Pyrenees

Islands

Corsica
Iceland
Ireland
Sardinia
Sicily

Peninsulas

Balkan
Denmark
Iberian
Italian

Cities

Amsterdam
Augsburg
Berlin
Budapest
Dublin

Florence
Helsinki
Istanbul
London
Madrid

Manchester
Moscow
Naples
Paris
Prague

Oslo
Rome
St. Petersburg
Sarajevo
Stockholm

Venice
Vienna
Warsaw



2. Consider how you will answer the following question on the quiz:

Why is important to know geography when studying history?

3. There are plenty of maps online. Sporcle.com has many geography quizzes.

If you do poorly, you may retake this test.

The AP European Exam is
Wednesday, May 8, 2019.

Grades will be posted by August 31, 2018.

Turn over for the rest of the assignment.

Part II Research 45 points Due August 16, 2018 Submit to Classroom or in person.

Make a time line of 15 major events in European history from 1450-present. Have a balance; spread these events out. In other words, don't have 12 events within one century. Also provide a brief explanation (1-2 sentences) of each – why is it important? What did it do, change, or exemplify?

Politics (wars, reigns or administrations of key leaders, alliances and treaties, laws)

Religion (new religious practices or denominations, wars based on religion, key philosophers or reformers)

Intellectuals and Philosophy (key thinkers, trends /attitudes in thought and education, inventions and discoveries, great writers)

Art and Music (movements, key artists and composers, invention and development of instruments and genres)

OR

Examine a variety of 15 events, people, and issues within one of these lands: England, France, Russia, Germany, Spain, or Italy between 1450-present.

This will be due the first day of class. Bonus points if you include relevant pictures (not stick figures – print off portraits, photos, maps, etc.). Submit to Classroom or in person.

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If you decide to drop this course, please let me and the office know.

Late Policy (this is my typical policy):

1 day late = -10%

2+ days late = -50%

Failure to complete this by August 31, 2018 will result in removal from the course.

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***If you decide not to complete the summer assignment, please make arrangements to drop the class when you return in August.**

Please let me know, too.