

Minnesota State University Moorhead

HIST 359: Colonial America

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 3

Lecture Hours/Week: 3

Lab Hours/Week: 0

OJT Hours/Week: *.*

Prerequisites: None

Corequisites: None

MnTC Goals: None

This course is a study of the age of exploration and the establishment of the North American colonies. Emphasis will be given to the British colonies of the western hemisphere, but the course will also include those colonies of other nations as they affect American growth and development. It will include a broad treatment of social, political, economic, and intellectual forces to 1763.

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 01/14/2013 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

1. European migration to North America.
2. Goals of European colonization.
3. Regionalism in colonial development.
4. Economic development in the maturing colonies.
5. Interactions with Native Americans.

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. Students will be able to articulate the key issues involved in Colonial American History.
2. Students will be able to identify accepted methods of historical research, and will use them to conduct their own research project.
3. Students will be able to identify the major historiographical debates in colonial history.
4. Students will interpret primary source documents.
5. Students will be able to recognize arguments and evaluate the use of historical evidence.
6. To develop skills in both oral and written communication.
7. To develop skills finding, interpreting, and organizing research.

E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

None

F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted