

Minnesota State University Moorhead

HIST 361: Antebellum 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 will focus on the competing economic systems of developing northern merchant capitalism and southern slavery and examine the impact of these two systems on the politics, social relations, and culture of every day Americans in the antebellum (1790-1848) period.

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 08/22/2011 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

1. Understand the industrial revolution and the rise of capitalism in America.
2. Chattel slavery.
3. Westward Expansion.

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. Students will be able to articulate the key issues involved in antebellum America.
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 antebellum American 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