COURSE NO. 102  COURSE TITLE U.S. since 1865  INSTRUCTOR John DeNovo

COURSE DESCRIPTION

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Part III: Prosperity, Bust, and the New Deal, 1919-1939 (3 weeks)
Part IV: World War II and Since (1940-1979) (4 weeks)

LECTURES

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WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS and EXAMINATIONS

Six weeks test: twelve weeks test: comprehensive final examination.

GRADING SYSTEM

6 weeks test 20%; 12 weeks test 20%; final exam 40%; discussion section 20%.

REQUIRED READINGS

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