THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN
Department of History
Semester II  Year 1982

COURSE NO.  COURSE TITLE  INSTRUCTOR
397  US 1914-1945  Rearden

COURSE DESCRIPTION

The course will discuss the evolution of modern America between 1917 and 1945. It will trace the social, political, and economic developments that underwent a transformation from the prosperity of the 1920's to the Great Depression of the 1930's. It will also analyze the factors which led America to enter World Wars I and II and the Cold War.

LECTURES

There will be three 50 minute lectures plus one 50 minute discussion each week.

WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS and EXAMINATIONS

Everyone will take a midterm and final essay exam. Those taking the course for four credits will be required to write a paper.

GRADING SYSTEM

The grades will be based upon the exams and any required written work.

REQUIRED READINGS

Domhoff, G. William, Who Rules America; Lewis, Sinclair, Babbit
Wilson, Joan H. Herbert Hoover
Steinbeck, John Grapes of Wrath
Feis, Herbert Road to Pearl Harbor
Gardner, Lloyd et al, Origins of the Cold War