History 434  
Spring, 1985  
Mr. McCormick

U.S. Foreign Relations since 1901

OFFICE HOURS: M & F: 11-12; W: by appt. 5213 Humanities. (263-2395)

GRADES:  
4-credit students  
Mid-term: 25%  
Final: 35%  
Section participation: 20%  
Research project: 20%

3-credit  
Mid-term: 30%  
Final: 50%  
Section participation: 20%  
Research project: 20%

EXAMS:  
Long essays plus few short identifications: some choice.
Mid-term: Tues., March 12
Final: Tues., May 14 (12:25 p.m.)

RESEARCH PROJECTS: only required for 4-credit students. To be discussed in section and arranged with your Teaching Assistant.
Due date: Tues., May 1

DISCUSSION SECTIONS: EVERYONE will be assigned a section on the basis of their schedules. Each section will be taught by a graduate Teaching Assistant and will be used to discuss lectures and reading assignments or to perform other such tasks that the T.A. deems useful to understanding the course subject-matter.

Attendance, preparation and participation is important, not only to the self-interests of individual students but the general wellfare of the class as a whole; hence its significant role in determining final grades.

REQUIRED READINGS:

TEXT: Paterson, Am. For. Policy, a history, vol. 2 (paperback: U. bookstore)

MONOGRAPHS: Beale, Theodore Roosevelt & Rise of America to World Power (paper: U. bookstore)
  L&amp;Feber, Inevitable Revolutions (paper: U. bookstore; People's Bookstore after spring break)


WEEKLY LECTURE TOPICS:
1. Changes in the modern world-system, 1880-1914
2. Changes in American society, 1880-1914
3. 'Progressive' diplomacy and informal empires, 1900-1914
4. The challenge of revolution: Mexico, 1910-1919
5. The cauldron of war: W.W.I, 1914-1918
6. The new era, 1919-1929
7. Depression diplomacy, 1929-1939
8. The 'thirty years war' continues: W.W. II and American entry
9. Demise of the Yalta system and origins of the Cold War
10. Germany, Japan and reconstruction of the industrial core
11. China, NSC-68 and militarization of the Cold War
12. The Korean War
13. The Vietnam War
14. North v. South: in the hemispheric backyard *
15. Prussians v. Traders *

[* Last two topics are tentative. Lecture schedule is tight, so if I fall behind, I may close out with the Vietnam war.]

READING ASSIGNMENTS

| Jan. 22 & 24 | Text: 1-8 (McCormick) |
| Jan. 29 & 31 | Text: 9-23 (McCormick) |
| Feb. 5 & 7   | Text: 217-233 (Levin)   |
| Feb. 12 & 14 | Text: 233-256 (Williams) |
| Feb. 19 & 21 | Text: Ch. VIII 24-28 (Birdsall) |
| Feb. 26 & 28 | Text: 301-317 (Williams) 60-68 (Williams), 69-79 (Hogan) |
| Mar. 5 & 7   | Text: 317-334 (Gardner), 79-94 (Gardner), 95-111 (Green) |
| Mar. 12 & 14 | Text: Ch. XI 112-128 (Thorne) |
| Mar. 26 & 28 | Text: 429-452 (Alperovitz) |
| Ap. 2 & 4    | Text: 452-470 (Domhoff) |
| Ap. 9 & 11   | Text: 159-170 (Muller) |
| Ap. 16 & 18  | Text: Ch. XIII 171-178 (Ambrose) |
| Ap. 23 & 25  | Text: Ch. XIV 179-187 (Gardner) |
| Ap. 30 & May 2| Text: Ch. XV 186-198 (LaFeber) |
| May 7 & 9    | Text: Ch. XVI 199-215 (Rubin) |

POSTSCRIPTS ON THE READING ASSIGNMENTS:

a. ABOUT THE MONOGRAPHS: The Beale book on Theodore Roosevelt is to be read by the mid-term; the LaFeber book on Central America by the final. Your T.A. will give you more specific instructions in sections.

b. ABOUT THE READER: A few copies of each article will also be available on 3-hour reserve at Helen C. White library. Details next week in a separate handout.