

THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN
Department of History

Semester II Year 1982

<u>COURSE NO.</u>	<u>COURSE TITLE</u>	<u>INSTRUCTOR</u>
102-002	US History Since 1865	Hollingsworth

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Unlike most survey courses in American history, this course is concerned primarily with understanding contemporary American society. More specifically, the course will focus on why American political institutions and the American economy function as they do. In addition, the course will assess 1) why the United States has become a major world power and 2) the consequences of that international role on American domestic society. In addition to lectures and discussion sections, there will be an occasional movie relevant to the lecture material.

LECTURES

WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS and EXAMINATIONS

There will be two take home examinations and one examination to be taken in class.

GRADING SYSTEM

first two exams count 25% of the final grade each
final exam counts 30%
participation in discussion section counts 20%

REQUIRED READINGS

Charles Sellers, et al. A Synopsis of American History vol 2
C. Vann Woodward. The Strange Career of Jim Crow
J. Rogers Hollingsworth. American Expansion in the Late Nineteenth Century
Alfred Chandler. The Rise of Big Business in America (short article)
Samuel P. Hays, The Response to Industrialism