

# VALENCIA COLLEGE

Course Syllabus  
Introduction to Humanities  
HUM 1020 CRN 20216  
Term: Spring, January 10—April 27, 2016  
Tuesday, Thursday 8:00am—9:50am

Course Syllabus Introduction to Humanities: HUM 1020 Fall Term 2016

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**Credit Hours:** 3 hours

**Course Description:** HUM 1020 is a basic introduction to humanities. Focuses on central concepts, historical development and fundamental nature of philosophy, architecture, music, religion and art. Concepts from such disciplines integrated with contemporary American culture.

**Learning Objectives:** The class, while covering a wide range of cultural and historical information, will also focus on five critical thinking skills, which will be applied to the coursework throughout the semester.

- Reading
- Note taking
- Observing
- Being Critical/ Thinking and Analyzing
- Reflecting

**Prerequisite:** None

**Course Format and Methods of Instruction:** The course will be taught through a combination of lecture, hands-on classroom exercises and homework assignments. Students should not assume that there will be class time to complete homework assignments. Required readings, assignments and other activities will be provided.

**Course Objectives:** Successful completion of HUM 1020 will be measured by students' abilities to do the following:

- recall principal persons, places, and works from this course
- discuss how culture developed and changed with modernity
- analyze cultural trends and use primary references to support their analysis
- explain the impact of creation and expression on human development
- assess the role that diversity plays in the shaping of culture

**Valencia General Education Student Learning Outcomes:**

- **CULTURAL & HISTORICAL UNDERSTANDING:** Demonstrate understanding of the diverse traditions of the world, and an individual's place in it.
- **ETHICAL RESPONSIBILITY:** Demonstrate awareness of personal responsibility in one's civic, social, and academic life.
- **CRITICAL THINKING:** Effectively analyze, evaluate, synthesize, and apply information and ideas from diverse sources and disciplines

**Required Texts and Sources:**

*\*We will use the textbook. Please purchase the textbook. This will be part of your participation grade.*

Gloria K. Fiero. *Landmarks in Humanities*

**ISBN 978-1-260-02761-7**

\*Please bring textbooks to class each day as we may have work to complete in them. **You are responsible to check email and Blackboard if there is online reading due or required of you.**

Additional texts will be available on Blackboard.

**Materials/Technology Requirements:** A reliable computer with capabilities to run Atlas, Blackboard, and Word Processing. We will also be using Padlet this semester. I suggest you familiarize yourself with this website.

**Class Lecture Powerpoints-** Any PowerPoints shown in class will cover material that is either available on the Blackboard site or the textbook. I will post my powerpoints onto the Blackboard site. I highly suggest that any students with questions on the note taking process see me during office hours.

**Attendance Policy:** 1) Arriving more than five minutes after the scheduled class time, 2) sleeping/being slumped over, 3) repeatedly getting up and leaving the classroom, and 4) playing on your cell phone. All of these behaviors result in a loss of attendance points.

\*Leaving the room while class is in session- In all my classes I give a 10 minute break on the hour as a courtesy. Now, I understand that some students may have an emergency or a medical reason for leaving the classroom (if you have a medical reason please see me and bring the proper document). But, if you make it a habit to leave and re-enter the room on a daily basis with permitted excuse. This will result in a loss of points.

\*Cell phones- At times in the class, I will ask you to use your cell phone to complete a class activity. But if a cell phone is out repeatedly while the instructor has not asked the student to do so, this will result in a loss of points.

If you must miss a class activity, are late, or are disengaged in the learning process it will impact your grade. Classroom and activity attendance and punctuality is vital to academic success. Excused absences will be allowed in accordance with Valencia's official policies. Excused absences include (but are not limited to) such extenuating circumstances as:

- illness documented by a doctor's note

- death in family documented by an obituary notice or death certificate
- attendance at official college function documented by paperwork showing details regarding the function.

\*I will need some kind of legal or official document to grant an excused absence.

**Lateness:** If for any reason during the course of the semester you need to arrive late or leave early to or from class you need to let the professor know ahead of class time through email or Blackboard message. Arriving more than five minutes after the scheduled class time results in a loss of attendance point. This policy also includes if students leave class before the designated time.

**You must attend class all semester, be on time, engaged in the learning process and submit the assignments on the due dates to meet the attendance requirement.**

### **Grading:**

**Midterm 25%**

**Final Presentation 25 %**

**Final Essay 25%**

**Attendance and Participation 25%**

**Evaluation and Grading:** The following grading scale is used: A=90-100; B=80-89; C=70-79; D=60-69; F=below 60

### **Assignments and Tests:**

1. **Midterm and Final**—These exams will be fulfilled by presentations that will be completed individually or in pairs. These projects will also require a Topic Outline that will have a separate due date and will be part of the overall grade. On exam days if you are late, on your cell phone, or disrespectful (this includes leaving the classroom) to your fellow students this will result in a loss of points.

2. **Attendance**—The Attendance grade will be measured by your performance in the class, i.e- Are you asking questions? Are you engaged in the learning process? Do you come to class?

3. **Participation** —Participation will be measured by your class work, i.e- Do you show familiarity for the readings? Are you working effectively in your group? and Are you up to date with you Padlet?

Be a positive student and teammate — Conduct yourself in a professional and scholarly way that will enable peers and faculty to perceive you as a positive role model.

\*Note-In this class, you will be required to work in groups and present in front of the class. You will also be required to have familiarity with the computer and how to use certain programs to complete your assignments. If you are uncomfortable with these requirements, you may want to reconsider attending this class section.

**College-level Writing:** Throughout the course, you will enhance and develop your abilities to write at the college level. The following tips will assist you in meeting the standards of academic writing:

- Use the spell and grammar check in Microsoft Word or other word processing program.
- Use Times New Roman 12” font
- Double Space
- Make an outline.
- Check that you have cited your sources in every paragraph.
- Avoid overgeneralization.
- Avoid the use of colloquial language or extremely flowery (“fancy”) language.
- Be specific and provide concrete examples.

**Writing Center:** The Writing Center is a valuable resource, please utilize their services.

<http://valenciacollege.edu/learning-support/communications/writing.cfm>

### **Original Work and Plagiarism:**

In following with Valencia College’s policy on plagiarism and original, if plagiarism or any other form of academic dishonesty is brought to the professor attention this will result in a failing grade for the class.

Please adhere to the following guidelines regarding your original work:

· Read the following essay regarding plagiarism: A

file:///C:/Users/jsindler/Downloads/About%20Plagiarism%202014.pdf

· The papers for this course require you to use your own words as much as possible. Paraphrasing and summarizing what others say is a good practice for college-level writing, but you should indicate the ideas and original insights of others by providing the source’s author, title, and/or website. If you are not familiar with MLA, please use the following website : <https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/747/01/> · A good rule of thumb is that if you use more than three words in a row that come directly from a source, you should put those words in quotation marks and cite the source you use. · Any work that does not give credit to other sources or which indicates plagiarism may result in a failing grade for the assignment, a failing grade in the course, and/or disciplinary action. See the **Student Conduct and Academic Honesty** policy below for more information.

### **Email and Communication:**

Please be professional and clear in your emails to the professor. You can use the “Email Professor” tool in Blackboard. Please remember to check your e-mail often. Do not use personal email accounts not affiliated with Valencia. I will make every effort to respond to emails within 48 hours, but often sooner. Be clear about what your concern or question is.

Be courteous, considerate, and professional in all the written communication in this course. Treat emails for college as you would letters, not as you would text or chat messages.

### **Withdrawal from a Course Policy:**

A student is permitted to withdraw from a class on or before the withdrawal deadline, as published in the College calendar. A student is not permitted to withdraw from a class after the withdrawal deadline. A faculty member is permitted to withdraw a student from the faculty member's class for violation of the faculty member's attendance policy with written notification to the student prior to the beginning of the final exam period, as published in the faculty member's syllabus. A faculty member is not permitted to withdraw a student from his or her class as a response to student conduct which falls under the jurisdiction of the Student Code of Conduct (6Hx28:10-03). A student who withdraws from a class before the withdrawal deadline will receive a grade of "W." A student who is withdrawn by a professor will receive a grade of "W." A student who is withdrawn for administrative reasons at any time will receive a grade of "W" or other grade as determined in consultation with the professor. Any student who withdraws or is withdrawn from a class during a third or subsequent attempt in the same course will be assigned a grade of "F". The grades of "WP" and "WF" **are eliminated**. A student who receives a grade of "W" will not receive credit for the course, and the W will not be calculated in the student's grade point average; however, the enrollment will count in the student's total attempts in the specific course. If a student withdraws from a class, the student may, upon request and only with the faculty member's permission (which may be withheld at any time in the sole discretion of the faculty member), continue to attend the course. If a student is withdrawn by a faculty member or is administratively withdrawn, the student is not permitted to continue to attend the class.

### **Date to Withdraw for Spring 2017 is March 31**

**Testing Center West Campus:** The TESTING CENTER-WEST is located in Building 11 Room 142 --407-582-1323 Please note!!! No tests are given out the last hour before closing—for example, if the Center closes at 9 p.m., the last test is given out at 8 p.m. Tests will be collected 5 minutes prior to closing.

Fall and Spring Terms: Monday through Thursday 8:00 a.m. – 9 p.m. Friday 8:00 a.m. – 5 p.m. Saturday 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Summer Full Term, Session A, and Session B Regular Hours except for Fridays: Fridays: 8:00 am- 12:00 Noon

### **WHAT YOU NEED TO BRING**

Your Valencia Photo I.D. is **REQUIRED** for all tests! Valencia Photo IDs are taken in the Student Development offices on each campus (West Campus office is on the 1st floor of Building 3). The Valencia photo I.D. also has your VID number on it.

The name of the course you are taking and your instructor's name.

All supplies you will need to take the test. If your test requires bluebooks or green scantron sheets, purchase them in the bookstore. The Testing Center does not provide notebook paper, pens or pencils. Dictionaries and calculators may be borrowed.

### **WHAT YOU DO NOT BRING**

1. Beepers, cell phones, personal tape or CD players, palm pilots, laptop computers. 2. Food or beverages. You will not be allowed to take these to your seat. 3. Children are not permitted in the Testing Center – The Testing Center does not provide sitting services during your test.

**Disability Statement:**

"Students with disabilities who qualify for academic accommodations must provide a Notification to Instructor (NTI) form from the Office for Students with Disabilities (OSD) and discuss specific needs with the professor, preferably during the first two weeks of class. The Office for Students with Disabilities determine accommodations based on appropriate documentation of disabilities. Please contact your home campus for more information." For East campus the number is Ph.: 407-582-2229. Here is the link to Valencia’s OSD website: <http://www.valenciacc.edu/osd>

**Student Conduct and Academic Honesty :** Valencia College is dedicated to promoting honorable personal and social conduct. By enrolling at Valencia, a student assumes the responsibility for knowing and abiding by the rules articulated in the Student Code of Conduct (6Hx28:10-03). The instructor reserves the right to refer students who engage in activities that are disruptive to the learning environment to the Dean of Students for disciplinary action.

Any student involved in incidents of cheating will be given a grade of 0% for that assignment, exam, or project without regard to who did the original work or who may have benefited. This includes the use of anyone else’s ideas, thoughts or words without giving proper credit to that person or entity. Each student is expected to be in whole compliance with the college policy of Academic Honesty as set forth in the admissions catalog and the student handbook. Any student(s) cheating on an exam will receive a zero (0) grade, which cannot be replaced with the final score and the professor can at his/her discretion withdraw you from the class. In addition, Valencia College strives to provide a drug-free learning environment for all those involved in the academic experience.

**Drug-free Policy :** “In compliance with the provisions of the Federal Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act of 1989, Valencia College will take such steps as are necessary in order to adopt and implement a program to prevent the unlawful possession, use, or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol by Valencia College students or employees on college premises or as part of any college activity.” Valencia College Expected student conduct: 10-03 Student Code of Conduct

Valencia College is dedicated to the advancement of knowledge and learning, and to the development of responsible personal and social conduct. By enrolling at Valencia, a student assumes the responsibility for knowing and abiding by the rules of appropriate behavior as articulated in the Student Code of Conduct. The primary responsibility for managing the classroom environment rests with the faculty. Faculty may direct students who engage in inappropriate behavior that results in disruption of a class to leave the class. Such students may be subject to other disciplinary action, which may include a warning, withdrawal from class, probation, suspension, or expulsion from the college. Please read the Student Code of Conduct in the current Valencia Student Handbook.

Here is the link to Valencia’s Student Code of Conduct

[http://valenciacollege.edu/generalcounsel/policy/default.cfm?policyID=180&volumeID\\_1=8&navst=0](http://valenciacollege.edu/generalcounsel/policy/default.cfm?policyID=180&volumeID_1=8&navst=0)

Specific Authority:	1006.60, FS.
Law Implemented:	1006.60, FS.

**Baycare Behavioral Health's Student Assistance Program:**

Valencia College is committed to making sure all our students have a rewarding and successful college experience. For that purpose, Valencia students can get immediate help with issues dealing with stress, anxiety, depression, adjustment difficulties, substance abuse, time management as well as relationship problems dealing with school, home or work. BayCare Behavioral Health Student Assistance Program (SAP) services are free to all Valencia students and available 24 hours a day by calling (800) 878-5470. Free face-to-face counseling is also available.

**Cultural Diversity and Inclusion**

It is of utmost importance to be courteous and respectful to all individuals enrolled in the course as well as to the people of the cultures we study and discuss. This includes being mindful of the information you post in discussions and submit in your journals and reflection papers.

**Disclaimer Statement**

*This document may be altered at the instructor's discretion, during the course of the term. It is the responsibility of the student to make any adjustments as announced. Your continued participation in this course after the drop-add deadline period constitutes an agreement with and an acceptance of the conditions presented in this syllabus.*

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**Week One—1/10, 1/12**

Introduction/Padlet

**Week Two—1/17, 1/19** Chapter 2: Classicism: The Greek Legacy

Pgs 33, 45-47, 48-51 (Greek Philosophy)

**Week Three—1/24, 1/26** Chapter 2: Classicism: The Greek Legacy

Pgs 37-39, 40-45 (Athens and the Golden Age)

**Week Four—1/31, 2/2** Chapter 3: Empire: The Power and Glory of Rome

Pgs 69, 72-73, 70-71, (The Roman Rise to Empire)

**[Midterm project topic outline due on Blackboard 1/29 by 6pm\*]**

**Week Five—2/7, 2/9** Chapter 3: Empire: The Power and Glory of Rome

Pgs 77-79, 84-87 (Art and Empire) *Look at the pictures\**

**Week Six—2/14, 2/16** Chapter 6 & others

Feudalism/ Dark Ages/Christianity

Pgs 103-104, 134-136, (The Spread of Christianity, Feudal Society)

**Week Seven—2/21, 2/23** Chapter 6 & others

Feudalism/ Dark Ages/Christianity

Pgs 151-153, 172-173, [161-169 *Just look at the pictures\**] (Medieval Towns, Religious Icons)

**Week Eight—2/28, 3/2**



Midterm

2/8, 3/2,-Presenting Midterm projects

**[Midterm project due via Blackboard on 2/26 by 6pm\*]**

**Week Nine—3/7, 3/9** Chapter 7: Italian Renaissance

pg177, 185-187, 188-192, (Italian Renaissance, Renaissance Humanism)

Spring Break—3/14, 3/16

**Week Ten—3/21, 3/23** Chapter 7 Italian Renaissance

Pgs 179-181, [196-197, 205, 207 *Just look at the pictures\**]

(Transition: Medieval to Renaissance, Renaissance Art)

**Week Eleven—3/28, 3/30** Chapter 8 Reformation

Pgs 217, 218-221, (Christian Humanism, Martin Luther)

**Week Twelve—4/4, 4/6** Chapter 8 Reformation

Pgs 222, 235-236, pgs 277-279 (Anglican Church, 17<sup>th</sup> century Holland)

**[Final project topic outline due on 4/2 by 6pm Blackboard\*]**

**Week Thirteen—4/11, 4/13** Chapter 11 Enlightenment

Pgs 277-279, 281-282 (The Dutch Republic and Louis XIV)

**Week Fourteen—4/18, 4/20** Chapter 11 Enlightenment

Pgs297, 298-299, 301-305, 330-333, (Scientific Revolution, Social Contract, The Industrial Revolution)

**Finals' Week—4/25-4/27**

**[Final project due via Blackboard on 4/23 by 6pm\*]**

