

Advanced Placement Modern World History may well be the most challenging history class you will take in your high school career; for some of you, it may be the most challenging you will take in your entire educational career. The curriculum covers human history, from 1200 CE to the year 2000.

Throughout the course, we will examine political, social, economic, cultural, intellectual, and religious history; we will read documents from a wide range of genres that reflect the different types of history covered. Given the depth and breadth of the material covered, as well as the nature and timing of the AP examination, the course moves rapidly and you should expect a significant amount of reading and writing on a daily basis. In order to ensure that you really master the material, the class is essentially a seminar. That is, there are no lectures, and everyone is expected to participate in the daily discussions. With this in mind, please complete the following assignment.

Write a short essay (no more than one page) introducing yourself to me, containing whatever information you think I should know about you, including, but not limited to, your interests, hobbies, and plans for the future. At the bottom of the page, please include your email address.

Please email it to me by August 31.

A FINAL NOTE: If you need to contact me over the summer, please do so using the following email address: mfinkelstein@htps.us. I will get back to you as quickly as possible.