College of Arts and Sciences  
Governors State University  
Division of Liberal Arts  

**COURSE SYLLABUS**

Index Number: HIST 311  
Course Title: U.S. History I  
Professor: Tom Kelly - E1545  
Credit Hours: 3.0  
Trimester: Fall 2002  
Office Ext. 4583  

**Office Hours:**  
Monday  6:30 – 7:30p.m.  
Tuesday  3:00 – 4:30p.m.  
Wednesday  6:30 – 7:30p.m.  
Thursday  4:00 – 4:30p.m.

**CATALOG DESCRIPTION:**
This course provides an historical examination of the United States from the founding of the colonies through the Civil War with special emphasis on religion, nation building, economic development and modernization, and the sectional conflict.

**EXPECTED STUDENT OUTCOME:**

1. Students will demonstrate knowledge and comprehension of the history of the United States from the founding of the colonies through the Civil War.

2. Students will demonstrate the capacity to read about, understand, and analyze major issues in early American history.

**TEXTS:**

H.B. Stowe, *Uncle Tom's Cabin*  
D.F. Hawke, *Everyday Life in Early America*  
N. Hatch, *The Democratization of American Christianity*

**REQUIREMENTS**

- Attend each class  
- Complete readings on the assigned day  
- Pass quiz at the beginning of some classes  
- Pass the final exam

**Please Note:** The final exam is worth 25%  
The quizzes and class participation are together worth 75%
Reading Schedule:

8/29 Introduction
9/5 Hawke, Everyday, Chapters 1-3 inclusive and Conlin, American, Chapters 3 and 4
9/12 Conlin, Chapter 5 and Hawk, Chapters 4-13 incl.
9/19 Conlin, Chapter 6, 7 and 8
9/26 Conlin, Chapters 9, 10 and 11
10/3 Conlin, Chapters 12, 13 and 14
10/10 Hatch, Democratization, pp 3 – 189
10/17 Conlin, Chapters 15 & 16 and Hatch, pp. 193 -219
10/24 Conlin, Chapters 17 and Stowe, Uncle Tom's, Chapters 1 – 13 incl.
10/31 Conlin, Chapters 18 & 19 and Stowe, Chapters 14 – 20 incl.
11/7 Stowe, Chapters 21 – 44
11/14 Conlin, Chapters 20, 21 and 22
11/21 Conlin, Chapters 23, 24 and 25
11/28 THANKSGIVING
12/5 EXAM