

SYLLABUS
TEACHING TRADITIONAL AMERICAN HISTORY
“SANTA FE TRAIL in AMERICAN HISTORY”
Summer 2008 - 5 Credit Hours

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Attendance:

Attendance will be required in the classroom at Chillicothe High School (June 2, 3, whole days & one half day June 4, 2008) and during the Archival/Curriculum Experience (June 4-14, 2008).

Course Objectives:

- 1. Develop a sense of chronology on the stages of the Santa Fe Trail during the nineteenth century.**
- 2. Develop an understanding of the people and events that that shaped the American-Mexican relations during the same period.**
- 3. Demonstrate a workable knowledge of the political, economic, social, and military history during this time period.**
- 4. Demonstrate a first-hand knowledge of the Archival Experience and be able to explain and teach historical research in a high school classroom.**
- 5. Demonstrate a comprehension of the importance of using primary sources and secondary sources in historical investigation.**

Assessment:

1. Essay exam at the end of class work. 25%
2. Directed Trip Journal 25%
3. American History Lesson Plan 25%
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(Lesson Plans will be submitted and corrected, if necessary, and published on the grant web-site.)

Class times at CHS:

June 2 & 3 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
June 4 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

CLASS WORK at CHILLICOTHE HIGH SCHOOL:

Monday, June 2 Dr. Dagel, Mike Lair & Chris day.

Readings: *The Old Santa Fe Trail* Collected Essays
Simmons

The chronology, flora, fauna, and indigenous people of the region and study of a selection of primary documents will highlight Day One activities.

Tuesday, June 3 Dr. Dagel, Mike Lair, Chris day, and Marcia Fox.

Readings: *Following the Santa Fe Trail* A Guide for Modern
Travelers Simmons & Jackson
Commerce of the Prairies Moorhead

The economic impact of the trail, the timeline of trail use, the on-going Mexican-American relations, military impact of the trail related forts will highlight Day Two activities.

Wednesday, June 4 Mike Lair

A comprehensive essay test will be given.

Leave Chillicothe for Old Franklin, Arrow Rock, Fort Osage, and an over night stay in Kansas City.

Thursday, June 5

Leave Kansas City

Tour Westport, Gardner Kansas, and Baldwin City sights

Stay Council Grove, KS

Friday, June 6

Leave Council Grove

Tour “Ralph’s Ruts”, Pawnee Rocks, Larned Santa Fe Trail Center.

Stay Dodge City, KS

Saturday, June 7

Leave Dodge City

Tour Autograph Rock, Camp Nichols, and McNees Crossing.

Stay Clayton, New Mexico

Sunday, June 8

Leave Clayton, NM

Tour “Point of Rocks”, Fort Union, Kearney’s Gap, Pecos ruins, Glorieta Pass battlefield.

Stay SantaFe

Monday, June 9

Tour National Cemetery, SaantaFe Historic Plaza, El Ranxcho de los Golondrinas.

Stay SantaFe, NM

Tuesday, June 10

Leave SantaFe

Tour Bandelier National Monument, Frijoles Canyon, Bradbury Science Museum, Chimayo.

Stay Taos, NM

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Wednesday, June 11

Leave Taos

House

Tour Kit Carson Home & Museum, Charles Bent & Museum, NRA Headquarters, Mountain Man Rendezvous.

Stay Trinidad, CO

Thursday, June 12

Leave Trinidad

Tour Russell Family Grave Plot, Bent's Fort.

Stay LaJunta, CO

Friday, June 13

Leave LaJunta

Tour Ft Riley Museum & Custer House.

Final Classroom Session of The Teaching Traditional American History Grant.

Saturday, June 14

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