## ELECTIVE COURSES IN THE HISTORY DEP'T SPRING SEMESTER, 2018

## HIST 106 -- World Civilization II -- 3 credits (Russell)

This course is a continuation of History 105, covering the history of European, Asian, African, Middle Eastern, and Latin American civilizations since 1500. It emphasizes political, social, cultural and economic change, as well as encounters and conflicts within and among civilizations.

## HIST 221 -- American History II -- 3 credits (Specht)

This course covers United States history from 1865 to the present. It focuses on the ways industrial, demographic, and political change affected the people who lived in the United States. It attempts to help students assess the impact that recent historical developments have had on the development of modern culture in the United States.

## HIST 320 -- Hands-On History -- 3 credits (Specht)

This is a course that requires students to engage with the past using non-traditional methods of instruction. The instructional method may vary from year to year, depending on the instructor. Possible course concentrations are: creation of historical documentaries, research in and GPS mapping of historic locations, building websites of historic documents, conducting field work, or participating in Reacting to the Past role play. Reacting to the Past games explore important ideas of the past by recreating the historical context that shaped them. Students engage one another as members of factions or in individual roles in a series of historic assemblies. The course focuses on evaluation of primary sources and the innovative presentation of those sources through collaborative activity. Under different subtitles the course may be repeated for credit. The SP18 sub-topic is "The KWU Virtual Museum."

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