

PAPER #3: EMPIRE, SLAVERY, CAPITALISM, AND DEMOCRACY
(1-3 typed pages, 1" margins, 12-pt. Times New Roman, double-spaced)
Please use .doc or .docx format

OVERVIEW

Over the course of this semester, we have traced the role of empire, slavery, capitalism, and democracy in shaping colonial North American and U.S. history between 1492 and 1877. For your final paper, I would like you to:

- Select one of these topics, define it historically, and describe 4-5 major events, developments, or ideas associated with it;
- Make a case for why the topic discussed above played a more important role in colonial North American and United States history than any of the other options, and;
- Explain how the topic discussed above continues to influence the present.

Each of these topics should be the subject of at least one paragraph. Your response to each point of the prompt should address WHY you think and feel the way you do. And your position on each of these points should be clearly and concisely reflected in your introductory paragraph.

While you may consult outside resources for this paper, I encourage you to draw the bulk of your evidence from course readings.

CITATION GUIDELINES

In referencing sources, you should:

- Cite course materials using simple parenthetical citations. Eg.: (TAY 11:2, "The Importance of Cotton"). **Please note:** course materials should only be cited in the *body* of your paper; do not cite them in a Works Cited page.
- Provide a full, MLA-style, bibliographic citation for any additional sources you've consulted in a concluding Works Cited page. **Please note:** your Works Cited page will NOT count toward your overall page count.
- Reference the sources above within the body of the paper using simple parenthetical citations. Eg.: ([Outside Source Author] 132).

Your instructor be happy to discuss the contents of your papers and read **polished drafts** during office hours.

Paper #3 will be worth one-third of your overall paper grade. Grading requirements are available for consultation on the Paper #3 Rubric.