

**Pre-University Remedial Programme for the 2017 E.CESSLCE
Examinees**

History Module

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Descriptions

This outline intends to identify core areas of knowledge that will be imparted to students who aspire to join higher education institutions in Ethiopia. As is always the case, students will be dealing with ancient, medieval and modern histories of different parts of the world. Historically relevant themes are also part of the outlines.

As far as time allocation is concerned, students will learn for 4 contact hours per week. Each contact hour will have 50 minutes.

Contents

- 1. Introduction(6hrs)**
 - 1.1 Definition and uses of History**
 - 1.2 Methods of Historical Study**
 - 1.3 Origin of Human Beings**
 - 1.4 Emergence of State**
 - 1.5 Features, Interdependence and Achievements of Major Civilizations**
- 2. State Formation and Population Movements in the Horn of Africa Till the 17th Century (9 hrs)**
 - 2.1 North;- Punt, Da'amet, Aksum, and Zagwe**
 - 2.2 South and Southwest; Bizamo, Damot, Enarya and Gafat**
 - 2.3 Muslim Sultanates; Shoa, Hadya, Fatagar, Bali, Ifat, and Dawaro**
 - 2.4 Religious Movements and Reforms**
 - 2.5 Inter-State Relations: Causes of the Conflicts**
 - 2.6 International Dimensions of the Conflict**
 - 2.7 Population Movements in Ethiopian Region**
 - 2.8 Gada System of the Oromo**
- 3. The Modern World since 1500 (10 hrs)**
 - 3.1 The Renaissance**
 - 3.2 The Reformation**
 - 3.3 The Scientific Revolution and the Enlightenment**
 - 3.4 The Age of Exploration and Discoveries**
 - 3.5 The Industrial Revolution and Its Consequences**

- 3.6 The English Bourgeois Revolution
- 3.7 The French Bourgeois Revolution
- 3.8 The French Revolution and Napoleonic Era
- 3.9 Wars in America: War of Independence and Civil War
- 3.10 Nationalism and Its Consequences
- 3.11 Unification of Italy
- 3.12 Unification of Germany
- 3.13 The Eastern Question
- 4. The Gonderian Period (5hrs)
 - 4.1 The *Jesuits* and Their Evangelization in Ethiopia
 - 4.2 The Establishment and Socio-economic and Political Developments of Gondar
 - 4.3 The Ascendency of the Yejju Dynasty
 - 4.4 Decadence Within the Ruling House and the Subsequent Era of the Lords
 - 4.5 Politics of Shoa, Omo and the Gibe regions, the Emirate of Harrar and Sheikdoms of Assosa
- 5 Africa and the Outside World to 1900(6 hrs)
 - 5.1 Genesis, Development and consequence of the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade
 - 5.2 The Legitimate Trade
 - 5.3 Scramble for Africa
 - 5.4 Colonial Rule and Its Impacts on Africa
- 6 Formation of the Modern State of Ethiopia:1855-1941(9hrs)
 - 6.1 Territorial Unification and Expansion
 - 6.2 Modernization Processes
 - 6.3 Defending Sovereignty and Territorial Integrity
 - 6.4 The Battles of Gundet, Gura, Mettema and Adwa
 - 6.5 The Italian Invasion Over Ethiopia, 1935
- 7 Major Global Developments of the World (12hrs)
 - 7.1 The Two World Wars and Their Consequences
 - 7.2 The Russian Revolution of 1917
 - 7.3 Formation of the UNO
 - 7.4 The Two Super Powers during the Cold War

8 African Move Towards Independence(9hrs)

8.1 Resistance and Revolts

8.2 The Decolonization Processes

8.3 Liberation Struggles

8.4 Economy and Society in Independent Africa

8.5 Pan Africanism

8.6 Formation of the OAU

8.7 The Cold War and Africa

9 Ethiopia Since Liberation (12 hrs)

9.1 British and American Eras

9.2 The Eritrean Problem

9.3 Opposition Against the Imperial Regime

9.4 The Establishment of Dergue and Its Policies

9.5 The Post 1991 Developments

9.6 Indigenous Knowledge Systems and Heritages of Ethiopia

Modality of Delivery

This course requires an active participation of students. Subject teachers will also help students learn themselves. Teachers will also depend on lecturing to cover core areas of knowledge.

Assessment

There will be one standard exam and there should also be quizzes.

Textbooks

For Grade 9-12

Recommended reading list

- 1. Bahru Zewde, A Short History of Ethiopia and the Horn (1998)**
- 2. Tadesse Tamirat, Church and State in Ethiopia (1972)**
- 3. Sergew Hableselassie, Ancient and Medieval History of Ethiopia**
- 4. Mohammed Hasen, The Oromo of Ethiopia (1994)**
- 5. Philip Curtin, African History from the Earliest to the Present**
- 6. Heater D, Our World Today (1995)**

