

**History in Film  
Grades 9-12  
Kofa High School**

**Instructor: Mr. Goodwin**

**Six Simple Rules for Surviving My Classroom:**

1. *Respect each other at all times.*
2. *Students should come prepared to class in a timely manner.*
3. *Students should turn in their best work by the due date.*
4. *The grade you earn is the grade you get.*
5. *All YUHSD policies will be followed at all times.*
6. *Don't do anything that prevents learning.*

**Description:** This course will critically analyze videos about eras of American history to determine fact from fiction. We will progress chronologically by major concepts or events through today in an effort to determine how society portrays historical events through media.

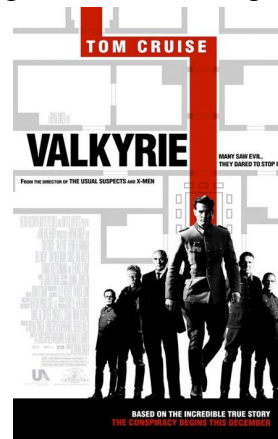
In this course, you will be expected to keep up with reading assignments. Class time will be spent in discussion of the readings from the day before, any assignments that were given, and discussion of popular media.

**Units of Study:**

*We will study various topics and concepts as units from the founding of America through modern times.*

**Grading Information:**

Late work will be accepted without penalty if the absence was excused. If the assignment is late due to fault of student or unexcused absence, **10%** will be deducted for each day late. Exams can be made up with prior notice of absence or with excused absence. Class participation will be considered mandatory and part of your final grade. Since this class will have very little outside homework, your attendance in class will have an effect upon your ability to complete your assigned tasks. In other words, this class will be difficult to pass if you are not here or have the films available to you. I do not have extra copies of the films that will be studied and many of them cannot be found at the local video store since they are not new to the film rental market therefore I will not allow students to take films home to view. If you are absent from class on a day that we view a film or work on a project, you will need to make arrangements with the teacher to stay after school and make-up the material that you missed in class. Assignments include worksheets, video guides, reading assignments, presentations, projects, and other assignments to be determined.



**Methodology and Procedure:**

Students will be expected to come to class with something to write with, a notebook, and a folder to keep all assignments. A notebook or 3 ring binder needs to be dedicated to History in Film class alone. Students will be expected to participate in class discussions, group activities, and lectures. Each day will begin with copying down objectives and answering the daily thought provoking question related to current events or the lesson of the day.

**Attendance:**

You are required to be here and on time. You can be absent up to 5 times per school code of conduct. There is *no teacher option* for this course.

**Points:**

*Exams, assignments, and projects will be the bulk of your points.  
Everything has a point value and not all assignments are weighted equally  
(i.e. a 14 question worksheet is worth 14 points not 100)*

<b>Grading Scale</b>
<b>A= 90% - 100%</b>
<b>B= 80% - 89%</b>
<b>C= 70% - 79%</b>
<b>D= 60% - 69%</b>
<b>F= 0% - 59%</b>

The semester grade will be determined by the YUHSD guidelines.

*If you have any further questions or need more clarification, please see me before or after school.*