# COURSE SYLLABUS

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### Course Code:
HIS*227

### Prerequisites:
C- or better in Composition (ENG*101)

### Contact Hours:
- Lecture: 3
- Clinical: 0
- Lab: 0
- Studio: 0
- Other: 0
- TOTAL: 3

### Corequisites:
None

### Other Requirements:
None

### Ability-Based Education (ABE) Statement:
At Tunxis Community College students are assessed on the knowledge and skills they have learned. The faculty identified the General Education Abilities critical to students’ success in their professional and personal lives. In every class, students are assessed on course abilities, sometimes program abilities, and, in most classes, at least one General Education Ability. Students will receive an evaluation of the degree to which they have demonstrated or not demonstrated that General Education Ability.

### Catalog Course Description:
Examines the causes, course, and consequences of the Vietnam War, focusing on American intervention in that conflict. Topics will include Vietnam’s history and culture, the rise of communism in Southeast Asia, the United States containment policy, American military intervention in Southeast Asia, the American search for a winning strategy, the anti-war movement, and the aftereffects of the war in both Vietnam and the United States.

### Topical Outline:
1. Vietnamese History and Culture, 1850-1945.
3. The Indochina War, 1945-1953.
| 14. | Was the Vietnam War a Just War? |

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to do the following:

**COURSE:**
1. describe the main causes, major events, key turning points, and chief aftereffects of the Vietnam War
2. demonstrate an understanding of the interplay between United States foreign and domestic policy during the Cold War as well as an understanding of international relations during the period
3. use critical thinking skills—among them the ability to analyze primary documents—as part of their assignments

**PROGRAM:** *(Numbering reflects Program Outcomes as they appear in the college catalog)*

**COMPETENCIES FULFILLED:**

**Critical Analysis/ Logical Thinking** - Students will be able to organize, interpret, and evaluate evidence and ideas within and across disciplines; draw reasoned inferences and defensible conclusions; and solve problems and make decisions based on analytical processes.

- **Demonstrates:** Identifies the issue(s); formulates an argument; explains and analyzes relationships clearly; draws reasonable inferences and conclusions that are logical and defensible; provides support by evaluating credible sources of evidence necessary to justify conclusions.

- **Does Not Demonstrate:** Identifies few or no issues; formulates an argument without significant focus; provides an unclear explanation of analysis and relationships; drawing few reasonable inferences and conclusions that are illogical and indefensible; provides little to no support using credible sources of evidence necessary to justify conclusions

**Written Communication (embedded)** - Students will be prepared to develop written texts of varying lengths and styles that communicate effectively and appropriately across a variety of settings.

- **Demonstrates:** Writes articulate texts using appropriate evidence and appeals as determined by the rhetorical situation.

- **Does Not Demonstrate:** Writes texts lacking appropriate evidence and appeals as determined by the rhetorical situation

**Assessment will be based on the following criteria:**
Exams and written assignments

**Instructional Resources:**

- **List library (e.g. books, journals, on-line resources), technological (e.g. Smartboard, software), and other resources (e.g. equipment, supplies, facilities) required and desired to teach this course.**

- **Required:** None
- **Desired:** None
| Textbook(s) | Refer to current academic year printout. |