SPRINGFIELD TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Course Number: HIST 323 Department: History

Course Title: Intro to Afro-American History: 1860 - Present Semester: Spring Year: 1999

Objectives/Competencies

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The purpose of this course is to introduce the student to black life from 1860 to the present. It explores the social, economic, and political life of blacks during Reconstruction, immigration patterns, role in industry, and development of black culture outside slavery. The Civil Rights movement is also a part of the discussion.	Through lectures, discussion, and research, using primary sources when possible, the student will explore topics relative to black life in America. 1. The role of blacks in the Civil War. 2. The Convention Movement. 3. Development of black institutions, i.e., the church, and its role in helping to develop black culture after slavery. 4. The role of immigration in black life. 5. The Harlem Renaissance. 6. The effect of the World Wars in black life. 7. The civil rights movement and its consequences. 8. Affirmative action and school desegregation.