HIST 405 Week 6 Discussion 2: World War II

Required Resources

Read/review the following resources for this activity:

- Textbook: Chapter 27
- Lesson
- Minimum of 1 scholarly source (in addition to the textbook)

Initial Post Instructions

For the initial post, **consider three (3)** of the following events:

- Treaty of Versailles
- Rise of fascism, militarism and imperialism
- Failure of the League of Nations
- Hitler and the Nazi Party
- The Lend Lease Act
- Japanese expansion and the bombing of Pearl Harbor

Based on your three selections, **choose two (2)** of the following and craft a response for your selections:

- Assess if the United States foreign policy during the 1930s helped to promote World War II. Could the United States have prevented the outbreak of World War II? If so, how? If not, why not?
- Explain if the United States, despite neutrality, aided the Allies against the Axis powers.
- Analyze if the use of atomic (nuclear) weapons to defeat enemies in war is a setback for democracy (President Truman's decision to drop the atom bomb on Japan).

Follow-Up Posts

Compare your selections and analysis of selections with those of your peers. If they chose different events, examine how yours are similar and/or different. If they chose the same events, build on their posts by providing additional information about the events that you have not already noted in your own post.

Writing Requirements

- Minimum of 3 posts (1 initial & 2 follow-up)
- APA format for in-text citations and list of references

Grading

This activity will be graded using the Discussion Grading Rubric. Please review the following link:

- Link (webpage): <u>Discussion Guidelines</u>
- Course Outcomes (CO): 3, 5, 6

Due Date for Initial Post: By 11:59 p.m. MT on Wednesday Due Date for Follow-Up Posts: By 11:59 p.m. MT on Sunday