

**REVIEW SHEET FOR SS 351 MIDTERM EXAM
FALL 2009**

Part I. The first part will consist of five identification questions worth twelve points each (for a total of 60 points). You will be given a list of twelve terms from the list below, of which you will select **five** and write a paragraph about each. Your paragraph should define the term and explain its significance.

Vietnamese Declaration of Independence	Gulf of Tonkin Incident and Resolution
Domino Theory	Trung Sisters Revolt
National Liberation Front/Vietcong	August Revolution
Confucianism	Buddhism
Containment Policy	Nation Building
Buddhist Crisis	Vietminh
Ngo Dinh Diem	Lyndon Johnson
Ho Chi Minh	Cold War
Dienbienphu	Geneva Conference & Accords
French Indochina War	Americanization
<i>Nhan Vi</i> "Personalism"	Protracted War
John F. Kennedy	

Part II. The second part of the exam will consist of the essay component, which will be worth 40 points. You will be given a choice of three essay questions from the list below. You will pick ONE essay question and write an essay that is well-organized, makes an argument, and uses factual details to support that argument.

1. Taking the viewpoint of Ho Chi Minh, construct a values-based argument to explain and his actions between 1920-1954. Be sure to include references to nationalism, communism, Confucianism, freedom, and/or anything else you believe relevant.
2. "American aid to the French during the French-Indochina War, American nation-building, and the Americanization of the Vietnam War represented a failure of American values, not simply a failure of American political leadership." What do you think this quotation means, and do you agree with it? Why or why not?
3. Why did the United States Americanize the Vietnam War?
4. Compare and contrast Ho Chi Minh with Ngo Dinh Diem.
5. Compare and contrast Jimmy Carter and Ronald Reagan's views of the Vietnam War. Pay particular attention to the issue of values and value conflict.