H115 Medieval Europe M. Mazzaoui

Required Texts:

Edward Peters, *Europe and the Middle Ages* (Prentice Hall)
Alfred J. Andrea, *The Mediaeval Record: Sources of Mediaeval History* (Houghton Mifflin)
Maureen C. Miller, *Power and the Holy in the Age of the Investiture Conflict*
John Aberth, *The Black Death: The Great Mortality of 1348-1350*

Course Requirements:

Three Credit Students: Three essay examinations (6 weeks, 12 weeks, Final, non-cumulative)
Four Credit Students: Three examinations plus one 5-6 pp. paper.
Honors Students: Three examinations plus one 9-10 pp paper.
Papers due: December 1.

N.B. Regular attendance in class and discussion sections is expected. Excessive absence may negatively impact your final grade.

**WEEKLY LECTURE AND READING SCHEDULE**

9/6  Introduction
     Andrea, Prologue on Primary Sources (subsequent citations refer to specific sources, not chapters)

9/8-11 The Transformation of the Roman Empire
         Peters, ch. 1; Andrea, Sources 1-2

9/13-15 The Rise of Christianity
         Peters, ch. 2; Andrea, Sources 3-5

9/18-22 The Germanic Invaders
         Peters, chs. 3, 7; Andrea, Sources 6-10

9/25-29 The Tripartite Mediterranean: Byzantium, Islam and the West
         Peters, chs. 4-5; Andrea, Sources 11-15

10/2-4 The Rise of Latin Christendom
         Peters, ch. 6; Andrea, Sources 17-23

10/6-9 The Carolingian Empire
10/11 Viking Expansion and the Emergence of Europe
   Peters, ch. 8; Andrea, Sources 24-29

10/13 **FRIDAY - SIX WEEKS EXAMINATION**

10/16-18 Economic Growth
   Peters, ch. 10; Andrea, Sources 44, 45, 49, 51

10/20-23 Lordship and Kingship
   Peters, ch. 11; Andrea, Sources 30-37, 50, 52

10/25-27 Church Reform
   Peters, ch. 12; Andrea, Sources 38, 39, 62-65; Miller, Pt. 1, Pt. 2, sects. 1-2

10/30-11/1 Crusades
   Andrea, Sources 72-75; Miller, Pt. 2, sect. 3, nos. 34, 35

11/3-11/6 Learning and Culture in the Twelfth Century
   Peters, ch. 13; Andrea, Sources 53, 56-61

11/8-11 Challenges to Papal Authority
   Peters, ch. 14; Andrea, Sources 40-43, 66, 76-78; Miller, Pt. 2, sect. 3, nos. 32, 33

11/13-15 The Consolidation of Royal Power
   Peters, ch. 15; Andrea, Sources 63, 64, 68-71; Miller, Pt. 2 sect. 3, no. 39

11/17 **FRIDAY - TWELVE WEEKS EXAMINATION**

11/20-22 Reason and Imagination in the Gothic World
   Peters, ch. 16; Andrea, Sources 54, 55

11/23-26 **THANKSGIVING RECESS**

11/30 **FOURTH CREDIT AND HONORS PAPERS DUE**

11/27-29 A Century of Woe: The Crises of the Fourteenth Century
   Peters, ch. 17; Andrea, Sources 79, 80; Aberth, *The Black Death*

12/1 **FOURTH CREDIT AND HONORS PAPERS DUE**

12/1-4 The Decline of the Church
   Peters, ch. 18; Andrea, Sources, 81, 82, 88

12/6-8 Warfare and Politics in the Late Middle Ages
Peters, ch. 19; Andrea. Sources 83, 86, 90-92

12/11-15 New Horizons
Peters, ch. 20

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