Three-unit students will take two hour-long examinations in addition to the final; four-unit students will take two hour-long examinations, sit for the final, and write two brief papers (five pages each) analyzing topics that illuminate the main themes of the course.

Course schedule:

You are responsible for keeping up with the readings and preparing for discussion sections. If you follow the reading schedule outlined below, you will find the lectures and discussions far more rewarding.

Week | Lecturer Topics and Readings
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I. 9/4-6 | The Formation of England
| | Hollister, chs. 1-3
II. 9/11-17 | Anglo-Saxon England
| | Hollister, chs. 3-4
III. 9/18-20 | The Norman Conquest
| | Warren, pp. 1-173
IV. 9/25-27 | Kings and Barons
| | Warren, pp. 174-259
V. 10/2-10/4 | Medieval Government
| | Hollister, chs. 7-12
VI. 10/7-11 | The Black Death
| | Smith, Realm, chs. 1-5
VII. 10/14-18 | The Waning of the Middle Ages
| | The Dynasts
VIII. 10/21-25 | The Tudor Regime
| | Smith, Realm, chs. 7-10
IX. 10/28-11/1 | Henry VIII and the Reformation
| | Smith, Elizabeth, pp. 3-117
X. 11/4-8 | Catholics and Protestants
| | Smith, Elizabeth, pp. 118-219
XI. 11/11-15 | Elizabethan England
| | Smith, Realm, chs. 11
XII. 11/18-22 | James VI and I
| | Smith, Realm, chs. 12-14