COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course will consider Transalpine Europe from later prehistory until the collapse of the Roman Empire in the West (ca. 800 B.C.-A.D. 500). The Celts, the European provinces of the Roman Empire, and the early Germanic kingdoms will receive special attention.

LECTURES

Three lectures each week, and a fourth hour for discussion of readings and lectures (if the class size is sufficient to warrant the presence of a teaching assistant).

WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS AND EXAMINATIONS (REGULAR CREDIT)

(1) Students taking the course for THREE REGULAR CREDITS will write a six weeks examination, a twelve weeks examination, and a final examination.

(2) Students taking the course for FOUR REGULAR CREDITS will write the three examinations listed above, and hand in (by the scheduled time of the final examination) a term paper. The suggested maximum length of the term paper: 10 to 15 pages. The deadline for selecting all regular credit term paper topics is Friday of the seventh week of the term.

SPECIAL PROJECT: A COLLOQUIUM ON THE GERMANIC SUCCESSOR KINGDOMS

Students who wish to complete the course without following the usual cycle of examinations and papers may participate in a colloquium on the Germanic successor kingdoms (for instance, the Visigoths and Franks) of the early Middle Ages. Participants will select a term paper topic -- preferably one which relates to the theme of the colloquium -- by the third week of the term. They will hand in a first draft of the term paper by Friday of the ninth week of the term, and a second draft (revised in accordance with the instructor's comments and the student's own second thoughts) by the day of the final examination. During the semester participants in the colloquium will use a weekly discussion hour (in addition to the three lecture hours) to present a report on an aspect of the Germanic successor kingdoms.

Participants in the colloquium may earn honors or regular credit for the course. The suggested maximum length of the term paper's second draft varies with the number of credits:

3 regular or honors credits -- 10 to 15 pages;
4 regular or honors credits -- 15 to 20 pages.
GRADING SYSTEM

3 regular credits: 6 weeks exam 30%, 12 weeks exam 35%, final exam 35% of final grade.
4 regular credits: 6 weeks exam 20%, 12 weeks exam 25%, term paper 25%, final exam 30% of final grade.
colloquium: first draft of paper 30%, second draft 35%, discussion section reports 35% of final grade.

APPEALS: The course staff offers second readings of examinations and papers. This is a no-risk review: when second opinions are given, the staff records the higher of the two estimations as the examination or paper grade.

READINGS

*% THE TAIN, T. Kinsella (tr.). Oxford University Press (paperback).
% HAMMOND WORLD ATLAS/GEMINI EDITION
** HISTORY 305/ANCIENT EUROPE: SPECIAL HANDOUTS

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FALL SEMESTER 1987

Mr. Clover

History 305

ANCIENT EUROPE

REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS:


OPTIONAL TEXTBOOKS:


### COURSE SCHEDULE, WEEKS XI–XV

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| XII  | (2) the "age of migrations" and the successor kingdoms in Europe and the western Mediterranean | *%$ R. Hodges and D. Whitehouse, MOHAMMED, CHARLEMAGNE AND THE ORIGINS OF EUROPE, pp. 1-53, 77-122, 158-176 | *%$ R. Hodges and D. Whitehouse, MOHAMMED, CHARLEMAGNE AND THE ORIGINS OF EUROPE, entire; 
| | | | &%$ L. Musset, THE GERMANIC INVASIONS, entire |
| XIII | (a) introduction to oral literature (guest lecturer: Prof. Harold Scheub) | # HISTORY 305/SPECIAL HANDOUTS, pp. 16-31 | |
| XIV  | (b) the Táin | *%$ THE TÁIN (tr. T. Kinsella), entire; # HISTORY 305/SPECIAL HANDOUTS, pp. 32-43 | |
| XV   | (c) Beowulf (guest lecturer: Prof. Richard Ringler) | *%$ BEOWULF (tr. M. Alexander), entire | |
|      | (d) conclusion | | |

Average required reading: about 140 pages per week.

The final examination will be based on the readings and lectures of the entire course; emphasis will be placed on the readings and lectures of the last five weeks of the course. A full description of the nature and format of the examination will be available two weeks prior to the examination.

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PROCEDURES FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE SEMESTER

1. Students taking the course for THREE REGULAR CREDITS will write a final examination.

2. Students taking the course for FOUR REGULAR CREDITS will write a final examination, and a final term paper (suggested maximum length: 8 to 10 pages) which is due on the day of the final examination.

3. Students participating in the Colloquium on the Germanic Successor Kingdoms will hand in a revised draft of their final term paper by the day of the final examination. The suggested maximum length of the revised draft varies with the number of credits: 3 honors or regular credits -- 10 to 15 pages; 4 honors or regular credits -- 15 to 20 pages.
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Average weekly reading: about 110 pages.

The eleventh-week examination will be based on readings and lectures of the second five weeks of the course. A full description of the nature and format of the examination will be available two weeks prior to the examination.

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   N.B. FOR STUDENTS TAKING THE COURSE FOR FOUR REGULAR CREDITS, THE DEADLINE FOR SELECTING TERM PAPER TOPICS IS FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9th.

3. Students participating in the Colloquium on the Germanic Successor Kingdoms will hand in the first draft of their final term paper by Tuesday, November 3rd. The instructor will hand back this draft with suggestions and criticisms, and the participants will then submit a revised draft by the day of the final examination. The suggested maximum length of the revised draft varies with the number of credits: 3 honors or regular credits -- 10 to 15 pages; 4 honors or regular credits -- 15 to 20 pages.
Life among the Celts: the Archeological Record

Celtic Cultures in Iron-Age Europe

Hallstatt C and D, 700-500 B.C. (Celts)

La Tène, 500-50 B.C. (Gauls, Galatians)

Reconstructing the Life of the Hallstatt and La Tène Celts

the Museum of Early History, Asparn an der Zaya, near Vienna

fortified villages of the La Tène Celts

 two oppida (pl.; sg. oppidum): Hambledon Hill and Maiden Castle

the murus Gallicus

The Leadership of the Hallstatt and La Tène Celts

Druids

warriors -- the warrior ethic

the Hochdorf chieftain’s grave

Celtic Religion

deities: Lug, Epona

the great shrine at Roquepertuse, France

the Gundestrup Cauldron

the veneration of severed heads
THE GUNDESTRUP CAULDRON AND TÁIN BÓ CUAILNÉ


The Gundestrup Cauldron

the divine figures on the outer plates
the scenes on the inner plates

Some possible correspondences adduced by Olmsted

THE GUNDESTRUP CAULDRON'S INTERIOR PLATES

the goddess borne on a wagon

the horned figure with serpent and tort, amidst beasts

diety (cf. exterior plates) with arms aloft, and helmeted figure holding broken wheel

large figure dipping small figure into cauldron; horsemen galloping above fallen tree; soldiers and hornblowers marching

figures slaying beasts; the bull lying down in the Gundestrup Cauldron's inner center

THE TÁIN

Medb the chariot rider

Cúchulainn, lord of the animals

Cúchulainn wields chariot wheel against Fergus mac Roich

Cúchulainn fights and drowns Fraech mac Fidaig

the deaths of Finnbennach Ai and Donn Cuailnge

Some supports of and objections to Olmsted's case

Druids as keepers of oral tradition

the wholly Irish topography of the surviving Táin

the unexplained outer plates of the Gundestrup Cauldron

some alternative renditions of inner plates of the Gundestrup Cauldron
THE STEPPE OF WESTERN EURASIA IN THE FIRST MILLENNIUM B.C.

Introduction: the modern steppe

some features of modern steppe life

Bactrian camel winter quarters vs. spring-summer-fall migrations

yurt sport in Afghanistan: buzkashi

the recent past: S. H. Dudin among the Kazakhs, 1899

the nomadic diet -- the pleasures of kumiss

Nomads of western Eurasia in the first millennium B.C.

some general features: cavalry, the compound bow, and the "Parthian shot"

the Scythian way of life

the Oxus Treasure

the barrows of Pazyryk, in the Altai Mountains

the Scythians of the Ukraine, esp. the Crimea

the Greek presence: e.g. Panticapaeum

the Scythian barrows of the Ukraine/Crimea: the treasures of the Hermitage in Leningrad

Thrace: the limits of Scythian influence
AN INTRODUCTION TO EUROPE

Read PREHISTORIC EUROPE (by T. Champion, et.al.), pp. 9-15. Then, using HAMMOND WORLD ATLAS/GEMINI EDITION, map pages 6-54, locate the geographical features listed below. You may want to record the features listed below on an outline map — this is optional. Outline maps of Europe are available for purchase on the first floor of the University Book Store. The headings listed below are the same as the headings in the Hammond Atlas Gemini Edition.

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