UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN  
Department of History  

History 448:390  
History of Wisconsin  
Spring Semester, 1987  
Instructor:  
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History 390 broadly surveys major social, political, and economic developments in Wisconsin from the era of exploration to modern times, placing those developments in the broader context of American history. Visuals illustrating the lecture materials will be used.

The course carries three undergraduate or three graduate credits. The prerequisite is sophomore standing or consent of the instructor. Students working for graduate credit are required to write a paper and honors students are required to undertake a special project. See the instructor to work out arrangements. All students are required to write a six weeks, a twelve weeks, and a final examination.

Class Time and Place: Section 1, campus classroom section, 6:00-7:15 p.m., Mondays and Tuesdays, Room 204 Educational Sciences.

Section 2, Cable TV, Channels 6 and 33, 7:30-8:45 p.m., Wednesdays and Thursdays, beginning January 22.

Office Hours: 10:00-12:00 noon on Mondays and Wednesdays; 2:00-4:00 p.m. on Thursdays, 613 Lowell Hall, 610 Langdon Street. Telephone: (608) 262-1694. Distant learners are encouraged to call either during office hours or at other times during the university workday, 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Leave messages and requests for return calls.

Required Readings:

Robert C. Nesbit, Wisconsin, a History. Madison: University of Wisconsin Press, 1973. Note: Because Nesbit is out of print, you will need to secure a xerox of the book which is available at Kinko's Copies, 620 University Avenue. A course outline and Nancy Oestreich Lurie's article, "Wisconsin Indians: Lives and Lands," required reading for the course, are also included in the xeroxed materials for History 390.


Nancy Oestreich Lurie, Wisconsin Indians: Lives and Lands, reprinted from the Wisconsin Magazine of History, 53: 2-20 (Autumn, 1969). As noted above this article is included in the xeroxed materials for the course available at Kinko's Copies, 620 University Avenue.


Examinations: The six weeks exam will be written in class in Room 204 Educational Sciences Building on the Madison Campus for students in both sections 1 and 2 on Tuesday, March 3, 6:00-7:15 p.m. Students taking the course by cable (Section 2) should carefully note this diversion from their usual evening class time. The twelve weeks examination will be a take-home. Final exam time and place on Madison campus will be announced.

Schedule of Lectures, Readings, and Examinations
NOTE: Campus lecture dates are listed first followed by Cable dates throughout.

January 20 - Lecture 1
*Cable, January 22
Wisconsin’s Prehistoric Indian People
Nesbit, Chapter 1

January 26 - Lecture 2
*Cable, January 28
New France and the Exploration of Wisconsin

January 27 - Lecture 3
*Cable, January 29
The Era of the French Fur Trade
Nesbit, Chapter 2

February 2 - Lecture 4
*Cable, February 4
British and American Rivalries, 1763-1815
Nesbit, Chapters 3, 4, 5
Black Hawk, an Autobiography, pp. 1-87

February 3 - Lecture 5
*Cable, February 5
Soldiers, Fur Traders, Lead Miners and the Indian People
Nesbit, Chapters 6, 7, 8
Black Hawk, an Autobiography, bottom 87-156

February 9 - Lecture 6
*Cable, February 11
From Territory to Statehood
Nesbit, Chapters 9 and 15
Nancy O. Lurie, Wisconsin Indians: Lives and Lands, 3-20

February 10 - Lecture 7
*Cable, February 12
Settlement and Development to 1860 - I
Nesbit, Chapters 10 and 11

February 16 - Lecture 8
*Cable, February 18
Settlement and Development to 1860 - II
Nesbit, Chapters 12, 13, and 14

February 17 - Lecture 9
*Cable, February 19
The Turbulent Fifties
Nesbit, Chapter 16
John Muir, The Story of My Boyhood and Youth, entire book

February 23 - Lecture 10
*Cable, February 25
The Civil War
Nesbit, Chapters 17 and 18

February 24 - Lecture 11
*Cable, February 26
Wisconsin’s Empire in Pine
Nesbit, Chapter 20
March 2 - Lecture 12
*Cable, March 4
Changing Agriculture: From Wheat to Dairying
Nesbit, Chapter 19

March 3
SIX WEEKS EXAMINATION for both sections,
6:00-7:15 p.m., in Room 204 Educational
Sciences Building, 1025 West Johnson Street,
UW-Madison Campus

March 9 - Lecture 13
*Cable, March 11
Transportation, Commerce, and Industry to 1915
Nesbit, Chapter 21

March 10 - Lecture 14
*Cable, March 12
Wisconsin's Heterogeneous People
Nesbit, Chapter 22
Erna Xan, Wisconsin, My Home: The Story of
Thurine Oleson, pp. 2-115

March 14-March 22
SPRING RECESS

March 23 - Lecture 15
*Cable, March 25
Late Nineteenth-Century Politics
Nesbit, Chapters 23 and 24

March 24 - Lecture 16
*Cable, March 26
The Emergence of the Progressive Movement
Nesbit, Chapter 25
David P. Thelen, Robert LaFollette and the
Insurgent Spirit, Prefaces and pp. 1-98

March 30 - Lecture 17
*Cable, April 1
Progressivism at High Tide
Nesbit, Chapter 26

March 31 - Lecture 18
*Cable, April 2
Wisconsin Women in the Progressive Era

April 6 - Lecture 19
*Cable, April 8
World War I
Nesbit, Chapter 27
Thelen, Chapters 6, 7

April 7 - Lecture 20
*Cable, April 9
The 1920's: Economic Growth, Agricultural
Problems, and Social Tensions
Nesbit, Chapter 28
Thelen, Chapters 8, 9

April 13 - Lecture 21
*Cable, April 15
Wisconsin and the Great Depression
Nesbit, Chapter 29
Aldo Leopold, A Sand County Almanac, xii-98

April 14 - Lecture 22
*Cable, April 16
From Depression to Wartime Prosperity
Leopold, 101-173

April 20 - Lecture 23
*Cable, April 22
Political Party Readjustments: The Democrats
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FINAL EXAMINATION. Day, Time, and Place to be Announced.
Wisconsin's Indian People


Colonial Period: French and British


**Fur Trade**


**Lead Mining**

Farming


Theodore Saloutos and John D. Hicks, Twentieth-Century Populism: Agricultural Discontent in the Middle West, 1900-1939. Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, c. 1951.


Lumbering


Frank Tilton, Sketch of the Great Fires in Wisconsin at Peshtigo... Green Bay: Robinson and Kustermann, 1871.


Wisconsin's People

See the bibliographies in Nesbit, pp. 161-162 and 359-361.

Additional titles:


Milwaukee Mayor's Study Committee on Social Problems in the Inner Core Area of the City, *Final Report to the Honorable Frank P. Zeidler, Mayor, City of Milwaukee*. Milwaukee, WI, April 15, 1960.


Nicholas C. Burckel, *Racine: Growth and Change in a Wisconsin County*. Racine: Racine County Board of Supervisors, 1977. Also has a good deal of material on composition of population.


The following titles are a series of pamphlets prepared by the State Historical Society of Wisconsin treating briefly various ethnic groups in Wisconsin's History:


Transportation
