

University of Wisconsin-Madison
Department of History

History 107
3 or 4 credits

Fall Semester 1989
M W F 12:05 p.m.

The History of the University in the West

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Course Description

The course presents an outline of university history in the Western world to introduce students to the history of our civilization. Of necessity it will have to be selective. It will concentrate on universities from their beginnings in the 12th century to our days and will discuss the history of the higher learning, of students and professors in Italy, France, England, Germany, and the United States.

The course addresses itself to freshmen and sophomores of all colleges and departments. It does not require previous course work in European or American history, but assumes that students taking the course are interested in history and eager to find out more about the institution they attend.

The course meets three times a week for lectures and a fourth time for discussions. Requirements consist of assigned readings, two one-hour exams, and a final examination. Students taking the course for 4 credits will be asked to write a paper or complete other equivalent work to be handed in by November 22 in class. All required readings are in English, although students able to read other languages are encouraged to use them.

Required texts are:

Charles H. Haskins, The Rise of Universities (available in bookstores)

Selected Readings for History 107 (available at Kinko's)

Books recommended for additional reading and placed on reserve in the library

Frederick Rudolph, The American College and University

Willis Rudy, The Universities of Europe, 1100-1914

Charles McClelland, State, Society, and University in Germany, 1700-1914

1989 Syllabus of Lectures

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| | 1. Introduction to the Course (9/6) | 2. The Law Students of Bologna (9/8) |
| 3. Salerno and the Study of Medicine (9/11) | 4. The Masters of Paris (9/13) | 5. Abelard and Heloise: The 7 Liberal Arts (9/15) |
| 6. The University and Politics (9/18) | 7. The Students and the Colleges (9/20) | 8. The Universities and the Reformation (9/22) |
| 9. England's Educational Revolution (9/25) | 10. Science, Societies, and Academie (9/27) | 11. 18th Century Continental Universities (9/29) |
| 12. 18th Century England and Scotland (10/2) | <u>6 WEEK EXAM</u>
(10/4) | 13. The First American Colleges (10/6) |
| 14. 18th Century College in America (10/9) | 15. Students in the New Republic (10/11) | 16. Halle and Goettingen: Dawn of the New (10/13) |
| 17. German Students and Nationalism (10/16) | 18. Humboldt's University (10/18) | 19. Revolution and the University (10/20) |
| 20. German Universities at High Tide (10/23) | 21. Higher Education in France (10/25) | 22. Oxbridge Liberal Education (10/27) |
| 23. Dons and Tutors (10/30) | 24. The Dartmouth Case (11/1) | 25. The Yale Report (11/3) |
| 26. Science and the American College (11/6) | 27. Colleges for Women (11/8) | 28. The Beginnings of the U.W. (11/10) |
| 29. The Education of Teachers (11/13) | 30. The Land Grant Act Act (11/15) | <u>12 WEEK EXAM</u>
(11/17) |
| 31. Colleges for Black Americans (11/20) | 32. The Wisconsin Idea (11/22) | THANKSGIVING
(11/24) |
| 33. The Research University (11/27) | 34. The Elective System and General Education (11/29) | 35. The Many Meanings of Academic Freedom (12/1) |
| 36. The Legacy of Max Weber (12/4) | 37. Universities and the Third Reich (12/6) | 38. Cold War in Berlin (12/8) |
| 39. The Student Revolution (12/11) | 40. The University Today (12/13) | 41. Movie: The War at Home (Date to be set) |