

History 119
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THE MAKING OF MODERN EUROPE, 1500-1815

This course surveys the cultural, intellectual, social, political, and economic changes in Europe between 1492 and 1815. We shall explore changes in the understanding of the human person—both body and mind—and of the universe; the repercussions of a global economy for different groups in Europe, the Americas, Africa, and Asia; the articulation of new forms of political power and economic organization; and the emergence of the modern sense of self.

REQUIREMENTS:

- ♦ attendance at lecture
- ♦ map assignments
- ♦ participation in weekly discussion section
 - ☞ completion of weekly reading assignment (📖) in advance of discussion
- ♦ a response paper on each of the books due by the discussion date for each evaluating each as historical evidence:
 - ✓ Who is the author and what do we learn about her/him?
 - ✓ Why did she/he write this?
 - ✓ What does this text teach us about the past?
- ♦ a 250-word evaluation of one form of visual evidence: see hyperlinks (👁)
- ♦ midterm exam: Thursday, October 22, in class
- ♦ final exam: December 19, 5:05 p.m.

BOOKS: all readings but one book for the course are packaged with the textbook:

Brian Levack et al, *The West: Encounters and Transformations*
Teresa of Avila, *The Life of Teresa of Jesus* (Penguin) [BX4700 T4 A2 1991]
Corneille, *Le Cid* (Penguin) [PQ1745 E5 C3 1975]
Descartes, *Discourse on Method* (Penguin) [B1848 E5 C73 1993]
Montesquieu, *The Persian Letters* (Penguin) [[PQ2011 L5 E35 1993]
Diderot, *Rameau's Nephew* (Penguin) [PQ1979 A66 E5 1988]
The textbook will also give you online access to other required texts
Equiano's Travels (Waveland) [HT869 E6 A3]

PLAGIARISM is about how we think about ourselves in relationship to other scholars. It comprises one crime—claiming the ideas of others as our own or intellectual theft—and the failure to treat our own perspectives as valuable to the larger community of scholars. For the University of Wisconsin's policy, see: <http://students.wisc.edu/saja/misconduct/UWS14.html>

LECTURES AND READINGS:

INTRODUCTION

September 3 Doing History

 *The West*: History Toolkit: How to Analyze Primary Sources

THE HUMAN LANDSCAPE OF LATE MEDIEVAL EUROPE

September 8 Villages and Forests

September 10 Courts and Towns

 *The West*, Bookshelf: 19: *The Prince*

or <http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/basis/machiavelli-prince.html>


 http://historic-cities.huji.ac.il/historic_cities.html

SIXTEENTH-CENTURY EUROPE

September 15 Merchants and Navigators

September 17 Conquistadores and Peasants

 *The West*, Documents, Chapter 12, entire


 <http://www.libs.uga.edu/darchive/hargrett/maps/newworld.html>

<http://www.walkingtree.com/>

September 22 From Feudal Christianity to Bourgeois Christianity

September 24 Collars and Sleeves: Consumption and Piety


 *The West*, all Documents, Chapter 13, except Luther, The German Mass


 http://www.rijksmuseum.nl/aria/aria_assets/SK-C-6?lang=en

http://www.rijksmuseum.nl/aria/aria_artists/00017083?lang=en

September 29 The Baroque

October 1 Spain, the Society of Jesus, and Globalizing Christianity

 Teresa, *The Life of Teresa of Jesus*, Table of Contents, Preface,
Chapters 1-4, 8-11, 17-18, 20, 25, 27-29

 http://www.metmuseum.org/toah/hd/baro/hd_baro.htm

http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Basilica_di_San_Pietro

<http://www.loc.gov/exhibits/vatican/toc.html>

http://www.metmuseum.org/TOAH/hd/bern/hd_bern.htm

SEVENTEENTH-CENTURY EUROPE

October 6 Nature and Revelation
October 8 Mapping the Heavens and the Earth

📖 *The West*, Documents, Chapter 16, entire
<http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/mod/telesio1565.html>
👁 <http://es.rice.edu/ES/humsoc/Galileo/>

October 13 Monarchs
October 15 From Courts to Capitals

📖 Corneille, *Le Cid*
👁 <http://www.geocities.com/beatlefan83/history/escorial.html>

October 20 Wallington's World
October 22 midterm

📖 *The West*: Bookshelf: 23: Hobbes, *Leviathan*:
pp. 2-5, Chapters 1-5, 10-11, 13-15, 17-18, 21, 24
👁 http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/british/civil_war_revolution/

October 27 "Mind" & "Body"
October 29 The Instrument of Reason

📖 Descartes, *Discourse on Method*
👁 http://www.nlm.nih.gov/exhibition/dreamanatomy/da_dream_arts.html
<http://vesalius.northwestern.edu/index.html>

Special Collections: Vesalius

November 3 The Thirty Years' War
November 5 Amsterdam

📖 <http://frank.mtsu.edu/~rbombard/RB/Spinoza/ethica2.html>
👁 <http://historic-cities.huji.ac.il/netherlands/amsterdam/amsterdam.html>

EIGHTEENTH-CENTURY EUROPE

November 10 Britain and the Glorious Revolution, guest lecturer, Professor Johann Sommerville
November 12 Divine Right, Contract, and Resistance: Political Thought in Early Modern Europe, guest lecturer, Professor Johann Sommerville

📖 *The West*: Bookshelf 26: Locke, *Treatise on Government*, Chapters I-X, XV, XVIII
👁 http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/british/civil_war_revolution/brighter_lights_01.shtml
<http://www.tate.org.uk/tateetc/issue9/hogarth.htm>

November 17 Orientalism
November 19 Absolutism

📖 Montesquieu, *Persian Letters*, entire
👁 <http://www.chateauversailles.fr/en/>

Memorial Library Special Collections: copies of the *Encyclopédie*

November 24 The Project of Enlightenment

no sections this week

THANKSGIVING

December 1 Mercantilism
December 3 Capitalism and the Organization of Labor

📖 Equiano, *The Interesting Narrative*, tba
👁 <http://www.euratlas.net/cartogra/Rocque/index.html>
<http://www.chnm.gmu.edu/revolution/index.html>
http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/british/empire_seapower/

1789-1815

December 8 Public Opinion
December 10 Revolutions, guest lecturer, Lindsay Starkey

📖 Diderot, *Rameau's Nephew*
👁 <http://www.pbs.org/empires/napoleon/>

December 15 Napoleon & the Modern Self

December 19, 5:05 p.m.: Final