

University of Wisconsin-Madison
Department of History
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H 200

Medieval Warfare

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Required Textbooks:

Kelly DeVries, *Medieval Military Technology* (Broadview Press, 1992)

Michael Prestwich, *Armies and Warfare in the Middle Ages: The English Experience* (Yale, 1996)

Course Requirements:

Three credits. Three essay examinations: six-weeks, twelve-weeks and final, non-cumulative.

N.B. Regular attendance is expected. Excessive absence may have a negative impact on your final grade.

LECTURE SCHEDULE

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| 9/2-7 | Introduction; The War Horse; Early Weapons
DeVries, pp. 3-6, 44-47
Prestwich, ch. 1, ch. 2, pp. 30-37 |
| 9/12-14 | The Greek Phalanx; Alexander of Macedon
DeVries, pp. 7-20, 25-33, 50-52, 125-132 |
| 9/19-21 | The Roman Legions; The Punic Wars
DeVries pp. 52-55, 125-132, 174-187 |
| 9/26-28 | Celtic and German Warriors; Attila the Hun
DeVries, pp. 56-58 |
| 10/3-5 | The Byzantine Army; Naval Warfare
DeVries, pp. 140-141; 288-89 |
| 10/10 | Review |
| 10/17-19 | The Rise of Feudalism; The Carolingian Army
DeVries, pp. 20-25, 33-39, 56-62, 95-110, 133-140
Prestwich, ch. 2, pp. 1-30. |
| 10/24-26 | Magyars and Saracens; Viking Invasions
DeVries, pp. 187-201, 289-294 |

- 10/31-11/2 The Norman Conquest of England; Castles and Sieges; The Crossbow
DeVries, PP. 39-44, 63-79, 202-225
Prestwich, ch. 12, pp. 206-304
- 11/7-9 Islam vs. the West; the First Crusade
Prestwich, ch. 9
- 11/14 **MONDAY- TWELVE WEEKS EXAMINATION**
- 11/16-21 The Later Crusades; The Knights Templar
DeVries, pp. 225-235, 294-297
- 11/23 The Mongol Invasions
No assignment
- 11/24-27 **THANKSGIVING RECESS**
- 11/28-30 Late Medieval Armies in Wales and Scotland
DeVries, pp. 79-94; 244-249
Prestwich, chs. 3-9, 11
- 12/5-7 The Age of Gunpowder; Hundred Years War; War of the Roses
DeVries, pp. 143-163
Prestwich, chs. 10, 13
- 12/12 The Ottoman Advance
DeVries, pp. 305-308
- 12/14 Renaissance Warfare: A Military Revolution?
Prestwich, ch. 14