

INTEGRATED LIBERAL STUDIES 207: History of Western Culture I  
Mr. Barker

Lecture Schedule: Fall 1991  
2650 Humanities: 11:00-11:50 a.m. MWF

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- Sept. 4 - 1. Introduction; The Background of Antiquity: From Polis to Empire  
Sept. 5 - 3. The Imperial Cruses and the Reforms of Diocletian and Constantine
- Sept. 9 - 4. The Origins of Christianity  
Sept. 11 - 5. The Triumph of Christianity  
Sept. 13 - 6. The New Christian Culture and the Rise of Monasticism
- Sept. 16 - 7. The Barbarian Migrations  
Sept. 18 - 8. The Germanic Kingdoms of the West and the Empire's Survival in the East  
Sept. 20 - 9. The Age of Justinian
- Sept. 23 - 10. Islam and the Arab Conquests  
Sept. 25 - 11. Islam as a Religion and as a Civilization  
Sept. 27 - 12. The Byzantine Empire
- Sept. 30 - 13. Byzantine Civilization  
Oct. 2 - FIRST EXAMINATION (On the material of Lectures 1, 3-13)  
Oct. 4 - 14. The Franks, Charlemagne, and the Carolingian Empire
- Oct. 7 - 15. Early Latin Christian Culture: Literature and Liturgy  
Oct. 9 - 16. The Northmen: Anglo-Saxons, Vikings, and Normans  
Oct. 11 - 17. The Slavs and Eastern Europe
- Oct. 14 - 18. Manorialism and the Peasantry  
Oct. 16 - 19. Feudalism and the Aristocracy  
Oct. 18 - 20. The German (Holy Roman) Empire
- Oct. 21 - 21. The Papacy  
Oct. 23 - 22. The Investiture Controversy  
Oct. 25 - 23. The Crusades
- Oct. 28 - 24. The Hohenstaufen vs. the Papacy  
Oct. 30 - 25. Commerce and the Flourishing of Towns  
Nov. 1 - 26. Scholasticism and the Rise of Universities
- Nov. 4 - 27. Medieval Vernacular Literature  
Nov. 6 - 28. Medieval Poetry and Song  
Nov. 9 - To be Announced
- Nov. 11 - 29. The Medieval Cultural Synthesis in the Arts and Music  
Nov. 13 - 30. New Eastern Invaders: Mongols and Turks  
Nov. 15 - SECOND EXAMINATION
- Nov. 18 - 31. Medieval Political Thought  
Nov. 20 - 32. The Rise of Feudal Monarchies  
Nov. 22 - To be Announced
- Nov. 25 - 33. The Feudal Monarchies vs. the Papacy  
Nov. 27 - 35. The Feudal Monarchies vs. Each Other  
HANKSGIVING RECESS (Nov. 28-Dec. 1)
- Dec. 2 - 36. The Church in Transition: Schism, Conciliarism, and the Renaissance Papacy  
Dec. 4 - 37. The Holy Roman Empire and Italy in the Late Middle Ages  
Dec. 6 - 38. Late Medieval Social Change
- Dec. 9 - 39. The Rise of Humanism  
Dec. 11 - 40. The Middle Ages and the Problem of the "Renaissance"  
Dec. 13 - Concluding Remarks
- Dec. 20 - FINAL EXAMINATION (On the material of the entire course, but stressing Lectures 31-33, 35-40): Friday afternoon, Dec. 20, at 2:45 p.m., in a room to be announced (NCT the regular classroom)