

**University of Wisconsin-Madison  
Department of History  
Semester II, 2005-06**

**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**

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

**10/12 WEDNESDAY- SIX WEEKS EXAMINATION**

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