

Spring 2017
History 600: Interfaith Relations in Crusader States
Prof. Elizabeth Lapina



Seminar meeting: Thursday 5:00PM - 7:00PM
Seminar location: HUMANITIES 2261
Office: George Mosse Humanities 4114
Office hours: Tuesdays and Thursdays 9:30-10:30

REQUIREMENTS

[1] [5%] Presentation of an article. You will be able to choose an article on the first day of class. The presentation should not be longer than five minutes. In your presentation you should, where applicable, refer to the following, in any order:

- (a) credentials of the author (main research interests?)
- (b) the topic of the article
- (c) the argument of the article, if any
- (d) the evidence (primary sources) used in the article
- (e) the scholarly debate, if any, in which the author engages
- (f) any shortcomings of the article
- (g) any ideas about further research on the topic

[2] [5%] Research topic.

A one-paragraph summary of your topic to be submitted to your instructor. The summary should make clear the question that you will be asking in your paper. The research topic is due early in the semester, so you are free to change your mind later on and to take your research in a different direction.

[3] [5%] Annotated bibliography.

The bibliography should include seven secondary sources. Each item should be followed by a sentence explaining its relevance to your topic.

[4] [5%] Presentation of your research topic.

A five-minute presentation of your topic, in which you should refer to the following:

- (a) the question that you are asking
- (b) the answer that you are proposing
- (c) the primary source(s) that you are planning on using
- (d) the current state of research on your topic and any relevant scholarly debates
- (e) any intellectual challenges that you have encountered

[6] Draft Paper. A polished draft should be no more than 25-pages long. Use 12pt font, 1” margins and double spacing.

[7] [10%] Peer Review. This should be a formal response to a classmate’s paper. It should provide a brief summary of the paper and suggestions for improvement. The peer review should be no more than 2 pages long. The peer reviewer will also be responsible for asking one question following the final presentation of his/her peer.

[8] [10%] Final Presentation.

[9] [40%] Final paper.

[10] [20%] Participation.

All reading assignments will be available on-line. Please bring all of the readings that you have done for a seminar to the seminar (either paper or electronic format would be fine). Writing assignments submitted late will carry a penalty of - 5% per day for that assignment.

HISTORY LAB and WRITING CENTER:

The History Lab and Writing Center are both very useful resource if you want help with your papers. Information can be found here:

<https://history.wisc.edu/thehistorylab.htm>

<http://www.writing.wisc.edu/>

ACADEMIC HONESTY:

The University of Wisconsin considers academic honesty to be a very serious issue. I will always enforce the university policies on academic honesty. I suggest that you read carefully the following website dealing with the rules about plagiarism:

http://writing.wisc.edu/Handbook/QPA_plagiarism.html

If you have questions about plagiarism, please contact me. Further information about student codes of conduct is found here: <http://students.wisc.edu/saja/misconduct/UWS14.html#points>

WEEK 1 (January 19): Introduction.

WEEK 2 (January 26): **Capture of Jerusalem (July 15, 1099).**

Primary source: Jay Rubenstein, “Jerusalem: the Battle for Heaven,” in *The First Crusade. A Brief History with Documents* (Boston, 2015) 135-153.

Secondary sources:

[1] Alan V. Murray, “The Siege and Capture of Jerusalem in Western Narrative Sources of the First Crusade,” in *Jerusalem the Golden. The Origins and Impact of the First Crusade*, eds. Susan B. Edgington – Luis García-Guijarro (Turnhout, 2014) 191-215.

[2] Thomas F. Madden, “Rivers of Blood: An Analysis of One Aspect of the Crusader Conquest of Jerusalem in 1099,” *Revista Chilena de Estudios Medievales* 1 (2012): 25-37.

[3] Benjamin Z. Kedar, “The Jerusalem Massacre of July 1099 in the Western Historiography of the Crusades,” *Crusades* 3 (2004): 15-75.

[4] Konrad Hirschler, “The Jerusalem Conquest of 492/1099 in the Medieval Arabic Historiography of the Crusades: From Regional Plurality to Islamic Narrative,” *Crusades* 13 (2014): 37-76.

[5] Joshua Prawer, “The Conquest,” *The History of the Jews in the Latin Kingdom of Jerusalem* (Oxford, 1988) 19-45.

WEEK 3 (February 2): **Society**

- [1] Andrew Jotischky, "Crusader Society," *Crusading and the crusader states* (Routledge, 2014).
- [2] Benjamin Kedar "The Subjected Muslims of the Frankish Levant" *Muslims under Latin Rule 1100-1300*, edited by James Powell (Princeton, 1990): 135-74.
- [3] Christopher McEvitt, "Introduction," *The crusades and the Christian world of the East: rough Tolerance* (Philadelphia, 2007).
- [4] Susan B. Edgington, "Oriental and Occidental Medicine in the Crusader States" in Conor Kostick, ed., *The Crusades and the Near East* (London and New York 2011) 189-215.
- [5] H. M. Attiya, "Knowledge of Arabic in the Crusader States in the twelfth and thirteenth centuries," *Journal of Medieval History* 25:3 (1999) 203-13.
- [6] Christopher MacEvitt, "Legal and Social Status of Local Inhabitants in Frankish Levant," *The crusades and the Christian world of the East: rough Tolerance* (Philadelphia, 2007) 136-156.

WEEK 4 (February 9): The Jews. // Religion

Primary Source: *The world of Benjamin of Tudela : a medieval Mediterranean travelogue*, ed. Sandra Benjamin (London, 1995) (selections)

Secondary sources.

- [1] Joshua Prawer, "Jewish Community: Organization, Legal and Social Position," *The History of the Jews in the Latin Kingdom of Jerusalem* (Oxford, 1988) 93-127.
- [2] B. Z. Kedar, "Multidirectional Conversion in the Frankish Levant," J. Muldoon, ed., *Varieties of Religious Conversion in the Middle Ages* (Gainesville 1997) 190-99.
- [3] Ora Limor, "Sharing Sacred Space: Holy Places in Jerusalem Between Christianity, Judaism and Islam," Iris Shagrir, Ronnie Ellenblum and Jonathan Riley-Smith (eds.), *In Laudem Hierosolymitani: Studies in Crusades and Medieval Culture in Honour of Benjamin Z. Kedar* (Aldershot, 2007) 219-231.
- [4] Izhak Hasson, "The Muslim View of Jerusalem—the Qur'an and Hadith." *The History of Jerusalem – The Early Muslim Period (638-1099)* (New York, 1996) 349-385.

WEEK 5 (February 16): Warfare.

Research Topic Due

Secondary sources.

- [1] R. Ellenblum, "Development of Muslim siege tactics" and "The appearance of the concentric castles," *Crusader castles and modern histories* (Cambridge 2007) 217-257.
- [2] J. France, "Crusading Warfare and Its Adaptation to Eastern Conditions in the Twelfth Century." *Mediterranean Historical Review* 15 (2000): 49–66.
- [3] R. C. Smail, "The Latin Field Army in Action," *Crusading Warfare* (Cambridge, 1956) 138-203.
- [4] Benjamin Kedar, "The Battle of Hattin Revisited," *The Horns of Hattin*, edited by Benjamin Kedar, 190-207 (Jerusalem, 1992).
- [5] John H. Pryor, "The twelfth and thirteenth centuries: the Crusader states," *Geography, technology, and war. Studies in the maritime history of the Mediterranean, 649-1571*, 112-134 (Cambridge, 1988).
- [6] Yvonne Friedman "Weak and Violated? The Experience of Women" *Encounter Between Enemies* (Leiden, 2002).
- [7] Yvonne Friedman, "Life in Captivity," *Encounter Between Enemies* (Leiden, 2002).

WEEK 6 (February 23): Ruling Elites

- [1] Bernard Hamilton, "Women in the Crusader States: The Queens of Jerusalem (1100-1190)."
- [2] Thomas Asbridge, "Alice of Antioch: a case study of female power in the twelfth century." *The Experience of Crusading. Vol. 2. Defining the Crusader Kingdom*, ed. by Peter Edbury and Jonathan Phillips (Cambridge, 2003) 29-47.
- [3] Hans Mayer, "Studies in the History of Queen Melisende of Jerusalem" *Dumbarton Oaks Papers* 26 (1972): 93-182.
- [4] Jean Richard, "The Adventure of John Gale, Knight of Tyre," *The Experience of Crusading*, 189-195.
- [5] Bernard Hamilton, "The Elephant of Christ: Reynald of Châtillon," *Studies in Church history* 15 (1978): 97-108.
- [6] Bernard Hamilton, "Miles of Plancy and the Fief of Beirut." *The Horns of Hattin*, edited by B. Z. Kedar (Jerusalem, 1992): 136-46.
- [7] Malcolm Barber, "The Career of William of Nablus in the Kingdom of Jerusalem," *The Experience of Crusading*, 60-75.

WEEK 7 (March 1):

Annotated Bibliography Due.

William of Tyre, *A History of Deeds Done Beyond the Sea* (New York, 1943) 47-294.

ACLS Humanities E-Book

WEEK 8 (March 8):

Presentation of your topic.

WEEK 9 (March 23):

Ibn al-Athir, *Chronicle* (selections TBA)

WEEK 10 (March 28): **SPRING BREAK**

WEEK 11 (March 30): INDIVIDUAL MEETINGS WITH INSTRUCTOR

WEEK 12: (April 6): INDIVIDUAL MEETINGS WITH INSTRUCTOR

WEEK 13: (April 13): INDIVIDUAL MEETINGS WITH INSTRUCTOR

Rough drafts due. (Place one copy of your rough draft to your instructor's mailbox. E-mail another copy to your peer-reviewer).

WEEK 14: (April 20): INDIVIDUAL MEETINGS WITH INSTRUCTOR

Peer reviews due. (E-mail one copy to your instructor and another to your peer-reviewer). E-mail one copy of your comments to me and another to your peer.

WEEK 15: (April 27):

PRESENTATIONS

WEEK 16 (May 4):

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May 6, midnight: FINAL DRAFTS DUE (by e-mail).