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READINGS IN COLONIAL NORTH AMERICA

What used to be thought of as “colonial American history” or, more recently, “colonial British North American history,” has now become part of what might be called “early modern Atlantic history.” This seminar will explore the strengths and weaknesses of that perspective.

Readings

Each week everyone will read the core assignment. Beginning in the second week, each person will also select an item from the list of secondary titles; there will be no duplication of secondary readings. Generally, an individual will be free to choose the work that most interests him/her, but some “volunteers” may be sacrificed to ensure that interpretive diversity prevails. All core readings have been placed on three-hour reserve at the Wisconsin Historical Society Library for the semester. Secondary readings are not reserved. Most monographs and journals can be found in the Library’s collection [WHS]; non-circulating copies of a few journals (e.g., *Journal of American History*) live in the Reading Room. Copies of numerous historical journals, notably the *William and Mary Quarterly*, are available through JSTOR (www.jstor.com) or other Internet links (for which, go to the journal name in MadCat). Other items can be found elsewhere on campus [indicated as C = College Library, Helen C. White Hall; CLC = in my possession; E = Ethnic Studies Collection, Helen C. White Hall; G = Geography Library, Science Hall; I = Internet via MadCat; L = Law School Library, Law School; M = Memorial Library; RR = Reading Room, Wisconsin Historical Society Library; UGR = 1191 Collection, Helen C. White Hall].

Written Assignments

You will write three papers, 7-8 pages, typed, double-spaced. You may choose which two of the first four papers to confront, but everyone must write the final essay. You need advert only to course readings but may include any relevant materials. If you wish to write on a different topic, please discuss your proposal with me.

Due Friday, February 9 - Evaluate the role native peoples played in the construction of North American colonial empires.

Due Friday, March 2 - Discuss the characteristics of the English Atlantic in the mid-seventeenth century.

Due Friday, March 23 - Analyze the relationship between slavery, class-formation, and political authority in early modern America.

Due Friday, April 13 - Assess the cogency of the constructs “Atlantic world” and “frontier” for making sense of what transpired in Anglo-America during the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries.

Due Monday, May 14 - Discuss the degree to which the political and economic dynamics of the First British Empire may be said to have generated the American Revolution.

Rewrite Policy

You may rewrite either or both of the first two assigned papers (time constraints prohibit rewriting the final one), but only after talking with me about such details as the new due date and the kinds of changes to be made. You must inform me of your decision to rewrite a paper by the Friday following the class session at which I first return the original version. You will ordinarily receive one week to rewrite, but I will be flexible about negotiating extensions for good cause. The old draft (plus any separate sheet of comments) *must* accompany the new version. Rewriting cannot lower your grade (nor can changing your mind about handing in a revised paper), but it does not by itself guarantee a higher one; you must *substantially rework the essay*, following my comments and initiating your own improvements too.

Grading

Simplicity itself. The papers and class discussion each count 25%.

Incompletes

The Gendzel Protocol governs the assigning of Incompletes: in fairness to those students who turn their work in on time, I will not grant an Incomplete for reasons other than Acts of God or other extraordinary disasters (covered in the “Proclamation,” p. 17 *infra*). You may have an Incomplete without penalty only in such cases; in all other instances, an Incomplete carries a grade penalty of ½-step.

Email

Everyone in the class must have a personal email account, available from DoIT. To contact me *alone*, send messages to: clcohen@wisc.edu. To contact everyone in the class (including me) simultaneously, send messages to: history910-1-s07@lists.wisc.edu.

I. EMPIRES AND AMERINDIANS**JAN. 24 - THE BIG PICTURE**

Core reading: Alan Taylor, *American Colonies: The Settling of North America*; Alison Games, et al., “Forum: Beyond the Atlantic,” *William and Mary Quarterly*, 3rd Ser., 63 (Oct., 2006), 693-742.

JAN. 31 - CONTESTED MORAINES

Core reading: Richard White, *The Middle Ground: Indians, Empires, and Republics in the Great Lakes Region, 1650-1815*, 1-412 (skim remainder)

Secondary reading:**Borderlands, Frontiers, and the Middle Ground**

Jeremy Adelman and Stephen A. Aron, "From Borderlands to Borders: Empires, Nation-States, and the Peoples in Between in North American History," *American Historical Review*, 104 (1999), 814-41 [WHS, M, Internet]

Colin Calloway, *The American Revolution in Indian Country*, 158-87

Andrew R. L. Cayton and Fredrika J. Teute, "Introduction: On the Connection of Frontiers," in *idem*, eds., *Contact Points: American Frontiers from the Mohawk Valley to the Mississippi, 1750-1830*, 1-15.

Gregory Nobles, *American Frontiers: Cultural Encounters and Continental Conquest*, 57-96

Richard White, "Creative Misunderstandings and New Understandings," Philip J. Deloria, "What is the Middle Ground, Anyway," and Catherine Desbarats, "Following *The Middle Ground*," *William and Mary Quarterly*, 3rd ser., 63 (2006), 9-22, 81-96

The French and the Amerindians

Denys Delâge, *Bitter Feast: Amerindians and Europeans in Northeastern North America, 1600-1664*, 301-32

Olive Patricia Dickason, *The Myth of the Savage and the Beginnings of French Colonialism in the Americas*, 251-70

Kathleen Du Val, *The Native Ground: Indians and Colonists in the Heart of the Continent*, 63-102

Patricia Galloway, *Choctaw Genesis 1500-1700*, 164-204

Bruce Trigger, *Natives and Newcomers: Canada's "Heroic Age" Reconsidered*, 226-97

Daniel H. Usner, Jr., *Indians, Settlers, & Slaves in A Frontier Exchange Economy: The Lower Mississippi Valley Before 1783*, 77-104

The Fur Trade

Philip D. Curtin, *Cross-Cultural Trade in World History*, 207-29 [M, UGR]

Louise Dechêne, *Habitants and Merchants in Seventeenth-Century Montreal*, 90-125

W. J. Eccles, *Essays on New France*, 79-95

Thomas Eliot Norton, *The Fur Trade in Colonial New York*, 60-82

Warfare and Diplomacy

Heidi Bohaker, "Nindoodemag: The Significance of Algonquian Kinship Networks in the Eastern Great Lakes Region, 1600-1701," *William and Mary Quarterly*, 3rd ser., 63 (2006), 23-52

José Antônio Brandão, "*Your Fyre Shall Burn no More*": Iroquois Policy toward New France and Its Native Allies to 1701, 117-31

Gilles Havard, *The Great Peace of Montreal of 1701: French-Native Diplomacy in the Seventeenth Century*, 160-83

Daniel K. Richter, *The Ordeal of the Longhouse: The Peoples of the Iroquois League in the Era of European Colonization*, 190-214

Brett Rushforth, "Slavery, the Fox Wars, and the Limits of Alliance," *William and Mary Quarterly*, 3rd ser., 63 (2006), 53-80

Alan Taylor, *The Divided Ground: Indians, Settlers, and the Northern Borderland of the American Revolution*, 14-45

FEB. 7 - INDIAN GIVERS

Core reading: Gregory Evans Dowd, *War Under Heaven: Pontiac, The Indian Nations & The British Empire*

Secondary reading:**Overviews**

Philip D. Morgan, "Encounters between British and 'indigenous' peoples, c. 1500-c. 1800," in Martin Daunton and Rick Halpern, eds., *Empire and Others: British Encounters with Indigenous Peoples, 1600-1850*, 42-78 [M]

Neal Salisbury, "Native people and European settlers in eastern North America, 1600-1783," in Bruce G. Trigger and Wilcomb E. Washburn, eds., *The Cambridge History of the Native Peoples of the Americas*, vol. 1: *North America*, part 1, 399-460

Amerindians and Imperial Warfare

Colin Calloway, *New Worlds for All: Indians, Europeans, and the Remaking of Early America*, 152-77

Linda Colley, *Captives: Britain, Empire and the World, 1600-1850*, 168-202 [M]

Daniel K. Richter, *Facing East from Indian Country: A Native History of Early America*, 151-88

Armstrong Starkey, *European and Native American Warfare, 1675-1815*, 83-110

Backcountry Interactions

Gregory E. Dowd, *A Spirited Resistance: The North American Indian Struggle for Unity, 1745-1815*, 23-45

Eliga H. Gould, "Zones of Law, Zones of Violence: The Legal Geography of the British Atlantic, circa 1772," *William and Mary Quarterly*, 3rd ser., 60 (2003), 471-510

Eric Hinderaker, *Elusive Empires: Constructing Colonialism in the Ohio Valley*, 3-45

Warren R. Hofstra, *The Planting of New Virginia: Settlement and Landscape in the Shenandoah Valley*, 17-49 [G]

Michael N. McConnell, *A Country Between: The Upper Ohio Valley and Its Peoples, 1724-1774*, 89-112

James Merrell, *Into the American Woods: Negotiators on the Pennsylvania Frontier*, 225-52

Jane Merritt, *At the Crossroads: Indians & Empires on a Mid-Atlantic Frontier, 1700-1763*, 264-308

Peter C. Mancall, *Deadly Medicine: Indians and Alcohol in Early America*, 155-67

Ian K. Steele, *Betrayals: Fort William Henry & the "Massacre"*, 109-28

The Seven Years War

Fred Anderson, *Crucible of War: The Seven Years' War and the Fate of Empire in British North America, 1754-1766*, 535-53

Colin G. Calloway, *The Scratch of a Pen: 1763 and the Transformation of North America*, 66-91

David Dixon, *Never Come to Peace Again: Pontiac's Uprising and the Fate of the British Empire in North America*, 244-75

Jack P. Greene, "The Seven Years' War and the American Revolution: the Causal Relationship Reconsidered," in Peter Marshall and Glyn Williams, eds., *The British Atlantic Empire Before the American Revolution*, 85-105

Francis Jennings, *Empire of Fortune: Crowns, Colonies & Tribes in the Seven Years War in America*, 438-53

Timothy J. Shannon, *Indians and Colonists at the Crossroads of Empire: The Albany Congress of 1754*, 117-40

II. SEVENTEENTH-CENTURY FOUNDATIONS OF ANGLO-AMERICA**FEB. 14 - HIVINGS OUT**

Core reading: Alison Games, *Migration and the Origins of the English Atlantic World*

Secondary reading:**Overview**

Nicholas Canny, "English Migration into and across the Atlantic during the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Centuries," in *idem, Europeans on the Move: Studies on European Migration, 1500-1800*, 39-75 [M]

African Diasporas

Michael A. Gomez, *Exchanging our Country Marks: The Transformation of African Identities in the Colonial and Antebellum South*, 114-53

James Sweet, *Recreating Africa: Culture, Kinship, and Religion in the African-portuguese World, 1441-1770*, 13-58 [M,C]

John Thornton, *Africa and Africans in the Making of the Atlantic World, 1400-1680*, 152-82 [M, UGR]

John Thornton, "The Coromantees: An African Cultural Group in Colonial North America and the Caribbean," *Journal of Caribbean History* 32 (1998), 161-178

Founding New England

Virginia Anderson, *New England's Generation: The Great Migration and the Formation of Society and Culture in the Seventeenth Century*, 177-221

David Grayson Allen, *In English Ways: The Movement of Societies and the Transferal of English Local Law and Custom to Massachusetts Bay in the Seventeenth Century*, 55-81

James F. Cooper, *Tenacious of Their Liberties: The Congregationalists in Colonial Massachusetts*, 23-45

Gloria L. Main, *Peoples of a Spacious Land: Families and Culture in Colonial New England*, 38-61

David Jaffee, *People of the Wachusett: Greater New England in History & Memory 1630-1860*, 1-22

Migrations

Bernard Bailyn, *The Peopling of British North America: An Introduction*, 1-43

Carl Bridenbaugh, *Vexed and Troubled Englishmen, 1590-1642*, 394-433

David Cressy, *Coming Over: Migration and Communication between England and New England in the Seventeenth Century*, 235-62

J.H. Elliott, *Empires of the Atlantic World: Britain and Spain in America 1492-1830*, 29-56

David Hackett Fischer and James C. Kelly, *Bound Away: Virginia and the Westward Movement*, 12-73

Planting Virginia

Stephen Adams, *The Best and Worst Country in the World: Perspectives on the Early Virginia Landscape*, 110-55

David Hackett Fischer, *Albion's Seed: Four British Folkways in America*, 240-80

James Horn, *Adapting to a New World: English Society in the Seventeenth-Century Chesapeake*, 78-120

James R. Perry, *The Formation of a Society on Virginia's Eastern Shore, 1615-1655*, 28-69

Darrett B. and Anita H. Rutman, *A Place in Time: Middlesex County, Virginia, 1650-1750*, 36-60

FEB. 21 - THE FIRST ATLANTIC SETTLEMENT

Core reading: Carla Gardina Pestana, *The English Atlantic in an Age of Revolution, 1640-1661*

Secondary reading:**Imperial Governance and Commerce**

- Charles Andrews, *The Colonial Period of American History*, vol. 4: *England's Commercial and Colonial Policy*, 1-21
- Michael J. Braddick, "The English Government, War, Trade, and Settlement, 1625-1688," in Nicholas Canny, ed., *The Oxford History of the British Empire: Volume I: The Origins of Empire: British Overseas Enterprise to the Close of the Seventeenth Century*, 286-308
- Wesley Frank Craven, *The Colonies in Transition 1660-1713*, 32-68
- Eliga H. Gould, "Revolution and Counter-Revolution," in David Armitage and Michael J. Braddick, eds., *The British Atlantic World, 1500-1800*, 196-213
- Jack P. Greene, "Negotiated Authorities: The Problem of Governance in the Extended Polities of the Early Modern Atlantic World," in *idem*, *Negotiated Authorities...*, 1-24
- T.O. Lloyd, *The British Empire 1558-1995*, 30-61
- J[ack] M. Sosin, *English America and the Restoration Monarchy of Charles II: Transatlantic Politics, Commerce, and Kinship*, 5-23
- Stephen Saunders Webb, *The Governors-General: The English Army and the Definition of the Empire, 1569-1681*, 57-100
- Nuala Zahedieh, "Economy," in David Armitage and Michael J. Braddick, eds., *The British Atlantic World, 1500-1800*, 51-68 [M]

Liberties, Rights, and Freedoms

- David Armitage, "Empire and Liberty: A Republican Dilemma," in *idem*, *Greater Britain, 1516-1776: Essays in Atlantic History*,
- Michael J. Guasco, "Settling with Slavery: Human Bondage in the Early Anglo-Atlantic World," in Robert Applebaum and John Wood Sweet, eds., *Envisioning an English Empire*, 236-53
- Edmund S. Morgan, *Inventing the People: The Rise of Popular Sovereignty in England and America*, 78-93
- Edmund S. Morgan, "Slavery and Freedom: The American Paradox," *Journal of American History*, 59 (June, 1972), 5-29
- J. P. Sommerville, *Royalists and Patriots: Politics and Ideology in England 1602-1640*, 2nd ed., 134-74 [M]

Religion in England and the Colonies

- Francis J. Bremer, *Congregational Communion: Clerical Friendship in the Anglo-American Puritan Community, 1610-1692*, 152-74
- J. C. D. Clark, *The Language of Liberty 1660-1832: Political discourse and social dynamics in the Anglo-American world*, 20-45
- Stephen Foster, *The Long Argument: English Puritanism and the Shaping of New England Culture, 1570-1700*, 138-74
- Philip Gura, *A Glimpse of Zion's Glory: Puritan Radicalism in New England, 1620-1660*, 215-34
- Andrew Murphy, *Conscience and Community: Revisiting Toleration and Religious Dissent in Early Modern England and America*, 75-122 (WHS, M)
- Kevin Phillips, *The Cousins' Wars: Religion, Politics, & the Triumph of Anglo-America*, 35-77

FEB. 28 - MASTER CLASS

Core reading: Richard Dunn, *Sugar and Slaves: The Rise of the Planter Class in the English West Indies, 1624-1713*

Secondary reading:**Piracy**

B. R. Burg, *Sodomy and the Perception of Evil: English Sea Rovers in the Seventeenth-century Caribbean*, 69-106 [M]

Angus Konstam, *Blackbeard: America's Most Notorious Pirate*, 93-122

Kris E. Lane, *Pillaging the Empire: Piracy in the Americas, 1500-1750*, 96-130 [M]

Marcus Rediker, *Between the Devil and the Deep Blue Sea: Merchant Seamen, Pirates, and the Anglo-American Maritime World, 1700-1750*, 254-87

Robert C. Ritchie, *Captain Kidd and the War Against the Pirates*, 1-26

The English West Indies

Hilary McD. Beckles, "The Hub of Empire': the Caribbean and Britain in the Seventeenth Century," in Wm. Roger Louis, et al., *The Oxford History of the British Empire*, 1.218-40 [M]

Carl Bridenbaugh, *No Peace Beyond the Line: The English in the Caribbean, 1624-1690*, 129-61

Larry Gragg, 'Englishmen Transplanted': *The English Colonization of Barbados 1627-1660*, 58-87 [M]

Karen Kupperman, *Providence Island, 1630-1641: The Other Puritan Colony*, 50-80

Matthew Mulcahy, *Hurricanes and Society in the British Greater Caribbean, 1624-1783*, 65-93 [G]

Gary Puckrein, *Little England: Plantation Society and Anglo-Barbadian Politics, 1627-1700*, 22-39

Planter Society and Culture

Trevor Burnard, *Mastery, Tyranny, & Desire: Thomas Thistlewood and His Slaves in the Anglo-Jamaican World*, 101-36

Michael Craton, "Reluctant Creoles: The Planters' World in the British West Indies," in Bernard Bailyn and Philip D. Morgan, eds., *Strangers within the Realm*, 314-62

Derrick Knight, *Gentlemen of Fortune: the Men Who Made Their Fortunes in Britain's Slave Colonies*, 20-35

David Lambert, *White Creole Culture, Politics and Identity During the Age of Abolition*, 10-40 [G]

Michael Mullin, *Africa in America: Slave Acculturation and Resistance in the American South and the British Caribbean, 1736-1831*, 77-114 [WHS, I]

Sugar and Slaves

Virginia Bernhard, *Slave and Slaveholder in Bermuda 1616-1782*, 94-147 [M]

Philip D. Curtin, *The Rise and Fall of the Plantation Complex: Essays in Atlantic History*, 73-97 [M, C]

Nathalie Dessens, *Myths of the Plantation Society: Slavery in the American South and the West Indies*, 55-97

John J. McCusker and Russell R. Menard, "The Sugar Industry in the Seventeenth Century: A New Perspective on the Barbadian 'Sugar Revolution'," in Stuart B. Schwartz, ed., *Tropical Babylons: Sugar and the Making of the Atlantic World, 1450-1680*, 289-330

Roderick A. McDonald, *The Economy and Material Culture of Slaves: Goods and Chattels on the Sugar Plantations of Jamaica and Louisiana*, 16-49

James E. McWilliams, *A Revolution In Eating: How the Quest for Food Shaped America*, 19-53 [M]

Sidney Mintz, *Sweetness and Power: the Place of Sugar in Modern History*, 20-73 [C]

III. SLAVERY AND SOCIETY**MARCH 7 - THINKING DECISION**

Core reading: Anthony Parent, *Foul Means: The Formation of a Slave Society in Virginia, 1660-1740*

Secondary reading:**The Origins of Slavery**

Kathleen M. Brown, *Good Wives, Nasty Wenches, & Anxious Patriarchs: Gender, Race, and Power in Colonial Virginia*, 107-36

April Hatfield, *Atlantic Virginia: Intercolonial Relations in the Seventeenth Century*, 137-68

Winthrop Jordan, *White Over Black: American Attitudes Toward the Negro, 1550-1812*, 44-98

Peter Kolchin, *Unfree Labor*, 1-46

Chris Smaje, "Re-thinking the 'Origins Debate': Race Formation and Political Formations in England's Chesapeake Colonies," *Journal of Historical Sociology*, 15(2002), 192-219 [M, I]

Patriarchy

Rhys Isaac, *Landon Carter's Uneasy Kingdom: Revolution and Rebellion on a Virginia Plantation*, 37-54

Cynthia A. Kierner, *Beyond the Household: Women's Place in the Early South, 1700-1835*, 36-68, 212-18

Kenneth A. Lockridge, *On the Sources of Patriarchal Rage: The Commonplace Books of William Byrd and Thomas Jefferson and the Gendering of Power in the Eighteenth Century*, 75-102

Philip Morgan, *Slave Counterpoint: Black Culture in the Eighteenth-Century Chesapeake & Lowcountry*, 257-317

Mary Beth Norton, *Founding Mothers & Fathers: Gendered Power and the Forming of American Society*, 96-137

Slave Law

Jonathan A. Bush, "The British Constitution and the Creation of American Slavery," in Paul Finkelman, ed., *Slavery and the Law*, 379-418

David Barry Gaspar, "'Rigid and Inclement': Origins of the Jamaica Slave Laws of the Seventeenth Century," in Christopher L. Tomlins and Bruce H. Mann, eds., *The Many Legalities of Early America*, 78-96

Malick W. Ghachem, "The Slave's Two Bodies: The Life of an American Legal Fiction," *William and Mary Quarterly*, 3rd ser., 60 (2003), 809-842

Thomas D. Morris, *Southern Slavery and the Law 1619-1860*, 17-36

Philip J. Schwarz, *Slave Laws in Virginia*, 13-34, [WHS, Law]

Alan Watson, *Slave Law in the Americas*, 63-82

Social and Political Conflict

Bernard Bailyn, "Politics and Social Structure in Virginia," in James Morton Smith, ed., *Seventeenth-Century America*, 90-115

Allan Kulikoff, *Tobacco and Slaves: The Development of Southern Cultures in the Chesapeake, 1680-1800*, 78-117

Edmund S. Morgan, *American Slavery, American Freedom: The Ordeal of Colonial Virginia*, 250-92

Peter Thompson, "The Thief, the Householder, and the Commons: Languages of Class in Seventeenth-century Virginia," *William and Mary Quarterly*, 3rd ser., 63 (2006), 253-280

Stephen Saunders Webb, *1676: The End of American Independence*, 66-83

MARCH 14 - FAMILY BONDS

Core reading: James Brooks, *Captives & Cousins: Slavery, Kinship, and Community in the Southwest Borderlands*

Secondary reading:**Gender, Honor and Authority**

- Juliana Barr, "From Captives to Slaves: Commodifying Indian Women in the Borderlands," *Journal of American History*, 92 (June, 2005), 19-46
- Ramón Gutiérrez, *When Jesus Came the Corn Mothers Went Away*, 207-26
- Orlando Patterson, *Slavery and Social Death: A Comparative Study*, 77-101 [M, UGR]
- Richard C. Trexler, *Sex and Conquest: Gendered Violence, Political Order, and the European Conquest of the Americas*, 64-81

Indian Slavery

- William Brandon, *Quivira: Europeans in the Region of the Santa Fe Trail, 1540-1820*, 96-102, 146-56
- Alan Gallay, *The Indian Slave Trade: The Rise of the English Empire in the American South, 1670-1717*, 288-314
- Sondra Jones, "'Redeeming' the Indian: the Enslavement of Indian Children in New Mexico and Utah," *Utah Historical Quarterly*, 67 (1999), 220-241
- Russell M. Magnaghi, "Intertribal Slaving on the Great Plains in the Eighteenth Century," in *idem*, ed., *From the Mississippi to the Pacific*, 43-55
- Brett Rushforth, "'A Little Flesh We Offer You': The Origins of Indian Slavery in New France," *William and Mary Quarterly*, 3rd ser., 60 (2003), 777-808
- Claudio Saunt, "'The English Has Now a Mind to Make Slaves of Them All': Creeks, Seminoles, and the Problem of Slavery," *American Indian Quarterly*, 22 (1998), 157-180
- Stephen P. Van Hoak, "And Who Shall Have the Children? The Indian Slave Trade in the Southern Great Basin, 1800-1865," *Nevada Historical Society Quarterly*, 41 (1998), 3-25

The Spanish and the Amerindians

- James Axtell, *The Indians' New South: Cultural Change in the Colonial Southwest*, 25-44
- John Francis Bannon, *The Spanish Borderlands Frontier 1513-1821*, 92-107 [M]
- Donald Chipman, *Spanish Texas, 1519-1821*, 147-70
- Steven W. Hackel, *Children of Coyote, Missionaries of Saint Francis: Indian-Spanish Relations in Colonial California, 1769-1850*, 65-122
- Elizabeth John, *Storms Brewed in Other Men's Worlds*, 58-98 [WHS, E]
- Kristine Z. Jones, "Comparative Raiding Economies: North and South," in Donna J. Gray and Thomas E. Sheridan, eds., *Contested Ground: Comparative Frontiers in the Northern and Southern Edges of the Spanish Empire*, 97-114 [M]
- John L. Kessell, *Spain in the Southwest: A Narrative History of New Mexico, Arizona, Texas, and California*, 223-51
- Andrew L. Knaup, *The Pueblo Revolt of 1680: Conquest and Resistance in Seventeenth-century New Mexico*, 136-51
- Edward Spicer, *Cycles of Conquest*, 281-333 [M]
- David J. Weber, *Bárbaros: The Spaniards and Their Savages in the Age of Enlightenment*, 52-90
- David Weber, *The Spanish Frontier in North America*, 122-46

MARCH 21 - CONSPIRACY THEORY

Core reading: Jill Lepore, *New York Burning: Liberty, Slavery, and Conspiracy in Eighteenth-Century Manhattan*

Secondary reading:**African American Communities**

- Ira Berlin, *Many Thousands Gone: The First Two Centuries of Slavery in North America*, 177-94
 Timothy Breen and Stephen Innes, "Myne Own Ground": Race & Freedom on Virginia's Eastern Shore, 1640-1676, 68-109
 Marvin L. M. Kay and Lorin L. Cary, *Slavery in North Carolina, 1748-1775*, 153-72
 Leslie M. Harris, *In the Shadow of Slavery: African Americans in New York City, 1626-1863*, 11-47
 Gary B. Nash, *Forging Freedom: The Formation of Philadelphia's Black Community 1720-1840*, 8-38
 Sterling Stuckey, "African Spirituality and Cultural Practice in Colonial New York, 1700-1770," in Carla Gardina Pestana and Sharon V. Salinger, eds., *Inequality in Early America*, 160-81
 Lorena S. Walsh, *From Calabar to Carter's Grove: The History of a Virginia Slave Community*, 81-108
 Philip Morgan, *Slave Counterpoint: Black Culture in the Eighteenth-Century Chesapeake & Lowcountry*, 441-97

The New York Conspiracy

- Thomas J. Davis, *A Rumor of Revolt: the "Great Negro Plot" in Colonial New York*, 250-63
 Andy Doolen, "Reading and Writing Terror: the New York Conspiracy Trials of 1741," *American Literary History*, 16 (2004), 377-406 [M, Internet]
 Thelma Wills Foote, *Black and White Manhattan: The History of Racial Formation in Colonial New York City*, 159-86
 Graham Russell Hodges, *Root & Branch: African Americans in New York and East Jersey, 1613-1863*, 69-99
 Peter Charles Hoffer, *The Great New York Conspiracy of 1741: Slavery, Crime, and Colonial Law*, 51-66 [L]
 Eric W. Plaag, "New York's 1741 Slave Conspiracy in a Climate of Fear and Anxiety," *New York History*, 84 (2003), 275-299
 Walter C. Rucker, *The River Flows On: Black Resistance, Culture, and Identity Formation in Early America*, 59-90

Slave Revolts

- Laurent Dubois, *A Colony of Citizens: Revolution & Slave Emancipation in the French Caribbean, 1787-1804*, 85-123
 David Barry Gaspar, *Bondmen & Rebels: a Study of Master-slave Relations in Antigua, with Implications for Colonial British America*, 21-42
 David Richardson, "Shipboard Revolts, African Authority, and the Atlantic Slave Trade," *William and Mary Quarterly*, 58 (2001), 69-92
 Mark M. Smith, "Remembering Mary, Shaping Revolt: Reconsidering the Stono Rebellion," *Journal of Southern History*, 67 (2001), 513-534
 Walter Rucker, "Conjure, Magic, and Power: the Influence of Afro-Atlantic Religious Practices on Slave Resistance and Rebellion," *Journal of Black Studies*, 32 (2001), 84-103 [M, I]
 Peter Wood, *Black Majority: Negroes in Colonial South Carolina from 1670 through the Stono Rebellion*, 308-26

IV. ATLANTIC ECONOMIES**MARCH 28 - TRADING SPACES**

Core reading: Stephen J. Hornsby, *British Atlantic, American Frontier: Spaces of Power in Early Modern British America*

Secondary reading:**Agriculture**

- Allan Kulikoff, *From British Peasants to Colonial American Farmers*, 125-63
Virginia DeJohn Anderson, *Creatures of Empire: How Domestic Animals Transformed Early America*, 141-71
Lois Green Carr, et al., *Robert Cole's World: Agriculture & Society in Early Maryland*, 55-75
Judith A. Carney, *Black Rice: The African Origins of Rice Cultivation in the Americas*, 69-106

Extractive Industries

- Timothy Breen, *Imagining the Past: East Hampton Histories*, 143-205
Peter E. Pope, *Fish into Wine: The Newfoundland Plantation in the Seventeenth Century*, 349-406
Daniel Vickers, *Farmers & Fishermen: Two Centuries of Work in Essex County, Massachusetts, 1630-1850*, 143-203
Charles F. Carroll, *The Timber Economy of Puritan New England*, 75-97

Macroeconomic and Regional Approaches

- Mark Egnal, *New World Economies: The Growth of the Thirteen Colonies and Early Canada*, 142-65
David W. Galenson, "The Settlement and Growth of the Colonies: Population, Labor, and Economic Development," in Stanley L. Engerman and Robert E. Gallman, eds., *The Cambridge Economic History of the United States: 1: The Colonial Era*, 135-208
John J. McCusker and Russell Menard, *The Economy of British America 1607-1789*, 189-208
Douglas McManis, *Colonial New England: A Historical Geography*, 86-112
D. W. Meinig, *The Shaping of America: ... vol. 1: Atlantic America, 1492-1800*, 160-190
Russell R. Menard, "Economic and Social Development of the South," in Stanley L. Engerman and Robert E. Gallman, eds., *The Cambridge Economic History of the United States*, 1:249-96
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- Peter Benes, "Night Processions: Celebrating the Gunpowder Plot in England and New England," in Peter Benes, ed., *New England Celebrates...*, 9-28
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- Patricia U. Bonomi, *The Lord Cornbury Scandal: The Politics of Reputation in British America*, 99-127
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- Gordon Wood, *The Radicalism of the American Revolution: How a Revolution Transformed a Monarchical Society into a Democratic One Unlike Any That Had Ever Existed*, 57-92
- Michael P. Zuckert, *Natural Rights and the New Republicanism*, 150-83

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Secondary reading:**Overview**

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Carl J. Ekberg, *French Roots in the Illinois Country: The Mississippi Frontier in Colonial Times*, 5-30

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Secondary reading:**Anglicization**

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Richard Bushman, "American High-Style and Vernacular Cultures," in Jack P. Greene and J.R. Pole, eds., *Colonial British America*, 345-83

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Harry Stout, *The New England Soul: Preaching and Religious Culture in Colonial New England*, 127-47

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Joyce Appleby, "Modernization Theory and Anglo-American Social Theories," in *idem*, *Liberalism and Republicanism in the Historical Imagination*, 90-123

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Joyce E. Chaplin, *An Anxious Pursuit: Agricultural Innovation & Modernity in the Lower South, 1730-1815*, 1-20

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