

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

H115

Medieval Europe

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Required Texts:

Edward Peters, *Europe and the Middle Ages* (Prentice Hall)

Alfred J. Andrea, *The Mediaeval Record: Sources of Mediaeval History* (Houghton Mifflin)

Course Requirements:

Three Credit Students: Three essay examinations (6 weeks, 12 weeks, Final, non-cumulative)

Four Credit Students: Three examinations plus one 5-6 pp. paper. Topic to be chosen in consultation with the teaching assistant.

Honors Students: Three examinations plus one 9-10 pp paper. Topic to be chosen in consultation with the Professor.

Papers due: November 30.

N.B. Regular attendance in class and discussion sections is expected. Excessive absence may negatively impact your final grade.

WEEKLY LECTURE AND READING SCHEDULE

9/2	Introduction Andrea, Prologue on Primary Sources (subsequent citations refer to specific sources, not chapters)
9/5	The Transformation of the Roman Empire Peters, ch. 1; Andrea, Sources 1-2
9/7-9	The Rise of Christianity Peters, ch. 2; Andrea, Sources 3-5
9/12-16	The Germanic Invaders Peters, chs. 3, 7; Andrea, Sources, 6-10
9/19-23	The Tripartite Mediterranean: Byzantium, Islam and the West Peters, chs. 4-5; Andrea, Sources 11-15
9/26-30	The Rise of Latin Christendom Peters, ch. 6; Andrea, Sources 17-23
10/3-7	The Carolingian Empire Peters, ch. 8; Andrea, Sources 24-29

10/10-12 Viking Expansion and the Emergence of Europe
Peters, ch. 9; Andrea, Sources 30-35

10/14 FRIDAY- SIX WEEKS EXAMINATION

10/17 Economic Growth
Peters, ch. 10; Andrea, Sources 44, 45, 49, 51

10/19-21 Lordship and Kingship
Peters, ch. 11; Andrea, Sources 30-37, 50, 52

10/24 Church Reform
Peters, ch. 12; Andrea, Sources 38,39, 62-65

10/26-28 Crusades
Andrea, Sources 72-75

10/31-11/4 Learning and Culture in the Twelfth Century
Peters, ch. 13; Andrea, Sources 53, 56-61

11/7-11 Challenges to Papal Authority
Peters, ch. 14; Andrea, Sources 40-43, 66, 76-78

11/14-16 The Consolidation of Royal Power
Peters, ch. 15; Andrea, Sources 63, 64, 68-71

11/18 FRIDAY-TWELVE WEEKS EXAMINATION

11/21-23 Reason and Imagination in the Gothic World
Peters, ch. 16; Andrea, Sources 54, 55

11/24-27 THANKSGIVING RECESS

11/30 FOURTH CREDIT AND HONORS PAPERS DUE

11/28-12/2 A Century of Woe: The Crises of the Fourteenth Century
Peters, ch. 17; Andrea, Sources 79, 80

12/5-9 The Decline of the Church
Peters, ch. 18; Andrea, Sources, 81, 82, 88

12/12-14 War and politics in the Late Middle Ages
Peters, chs. 19, 20; Andrea. Sources 83, 86, 90-92