

HISTORY 334
MWF 11:00
HUMANITIES 1271

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Reformation Europe

This course introduces students to one of the most dramatic periods of change, when the medieval consensus, which we now call the Medieval Church, shattered into many Churches, each claiming exclusive knowledge of the truth. The course will explore cultural, intellectual, and political dimensions of that shattering, which laid the foundations for the world as we now know it.

Requirements:

The *lectures* are intended to provide students with the narrative and analytic structure of the course. For those who wish more details, a number of textbooks are on reserve.

Students are expected to participate in *discussion* on Fridays, which focus on the *assigned reading*.

Students must complete *all written assignments* in the course: 2 *essays*, *midterm*, and *final*.

Books to be purchased at the University Bookstore:

Christopher Columbus, *The Four Voyages* (Penguin)

Thomas More, *Utopia* (Norton Critical Editions)

The Protestant Reformation, edited Hans J. Hillerbrand (Harper Torchbooks)

The Augsburg Confession (Fortress)

Ignatius Loyola, *The Spiritual Exercises* (Loyola)

Teresa of Avila, *The Life of Teresa of Jesus* (Image)

Jonathan Spence, *The Memory Palace of Matteo Ricci* (Penguin)

Michel de Montaigne, *An Apology for Raymond Sebond* (Penguin)

Blaise Pascal, *Pensées* (Penguin)

The *Course Reader* [CR], available at Bob's Copy Shop, University Square, contains the readings from *The Counter Reformation*, edited Martin D.W. Jones (Cambridge).

Lectures & Readings

Introductory

January 18 "Reformation"
January 20 1492

Reading: Columbus, *Four Voyages*, pp. 27-76, 115-123

A Changing Relation to the Past: The "Middle Ages" and the "Renaissance"

January 23 "Medieval" "Christendom"
January 25 The Dead Among Us: Holy Places and Holy Objects
January 27 discussion

Reading: More, *Utopia*

The Recovery of Christian Antiquity: Sacred Texts and Their Scholars

January 30 Erasmus of Rotterdam and the Philosophy of Christ
February 1 Martin Luther Reads Paul
February 3 discussion

Reading: Hillerbrand, Part I to p.63

The Culture of the Gospel

February 6 The Word Printed and Preached
February 8 "This Do"
February 10 meet in Special Collections

First paper due

Reading: CR: *The Counter Reformation*, pp. 15, 102-105

"Evangelicals"

February 13 Augsburg
February 15 Anabaptists & Revolutionaries
February 17 discussion

Reading: Hillerbrand, Part I, pp. 63-66, Parts II & III

Religion and Politics: The Case of the Holy Roman Empire

February 20 The Emperor
February 22 Princes & Prelates
February 24 The Cities

Reading: *The Augsburg Confession*

Religion and Politics: The Case of England

February 27 The Tudors and Reform
March 1 evangelicalism in the parishes

March 3 *midterm*

Reading: Hillerbrand, Part V

The Society of Jesus

March 6 Ignatius Loyola
March 8 The First Jesuits
March 10 discussion

Reading: Loyola, *The Spiritual Exercises*

Spring Break

A Church of Refuges: The Reformed Tradition

March 20 John Calvin
March 22 Confessions: Forming Churches “Under the Cross”
March 24 discussion

Reading: Hillerbrand, Part IV

“Catholicism” Exported and Translated

March 27 Spain: From Reconquista to Conquistadores
March 29 “New Worlds”: Catholic Missions in the Americas and Asia
March 31 Catholicism Translated: Churches in Lima and Goa, Manila and Munich

Reading: Jonathan Spence, *The Memory Palace of Matteo Ricci*, pp. 1-127

Instituting Reform: “Catholicism”

April 3 The Church Reformed in Head and Members: The Council of Trent
April 5 Vision in the service of faith
April 7 discussion

Second paper due

Reading: CR: *The Counter Reformation*, pp. 87-95, 112-115

Teresa of Avila, *The Life of Teresa of Jesus*, Chapters I-IV, VII-XI, XVIII, XX,
XXII, XXIV, XXVII-XIX

Religion and Politics: The Case of France

April 10 One Law, One Faith, One King
April 12 A House Divided: The Wars of Religion
April 14 discussion

Reading: Montaigne, *An Apology for Raymond Sebond*

Religion and Politics: The Thirty Years’ War

April 22 Cuius regio, eius religio: The Failure of Boundaries

April 24 The Map of Europe Redrawn: New States and Nations
April 26 discussion

Reading: The Peace of Westphalia

1648: New Boundaries and New Definitions

April 29 “Witchcraft”
May 1 “Religion” Redefined
May 3 discussion

Reading: CR: *The Counter Reformation*, Chapters 7 & 8

New Bearings

May 6 “Science”
May 8 “Superstition”
May 10 discussion

Reading: Blaise Pascal, *Pensées*:

Section One: I-VII, IX-XVIII, XXIII, XXVI-XXVII
Section Two: Series II-VIII, XI, XIX, XXV-XXVI
Section Three: entire

Final Exam