

THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN
Department of History

Semester II Year 1983-1984

<u>COURSE NO.</u>	<u>COURSE TITLE</u>	<u>INSTRUCTOR</u>
335	The Catholic Reformation	Kingdon

COURSE DESCRIPTION

History 335 is the second half of a two-semester sequence on the history of Europe during the Reformation period. It may be taken either as a sequel to History 334 (the Protestant Reformation) or as an independent course.

The course begins with an analysis of the challenges posed to the Roman Catholic Church by the growth of Protestantism. Examples of these challenges will be drawn from the history of England, a geographic area not covered in History 334. The course continues with an analysis of the Catholic Reformation proper, a movement for internal reform within the Roman Catholic Church, involving attempts to initiate moral reforms, define doctrines more precisely, and deepen spiritual life. Examples of these developments will be drawn primarily from the history of Italy and Spain. The course concludes with an analysis of the Counter Reformation, a movement to use force either to limit or to eliminate Protestantism. Examples of these uses will be drawn from the history of Britain, France, the Low Countries, and Germany. Lectures will develop each of these analyses in turn.

LECTURES

There will be two lectures a week for all students. A separate discussion section may be created for graduate students, if there are enough to warrant it.

WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS and EXAMINATIONS

All students will be asked to write three examinations, two during the term, the third at the end of the semester. Those students taking the course for four credits will also be asked to consult with the instructor periodically to work on research projects which will lead to some panel discussions and a written term paper.

GRADING SYSTEM

For three credits: 25% for each midterm test; 50% for final examination

For four credits: 25% for term paper; 19% for each midterm test; 37% for final examination

For graduates: a separate cycle of oral reports and papers.

REQUIRED READINGS

A. G. Dickens, ENGLISH REFORMATION

A. G. Dickens, COUNTER REFORMATION

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