

Grande Prairie Regional College

History 1110

The early Modern World

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This course is designed as an introductory survey of global history. It covers the major political, cultural, intellectual and economic developments of the world from the 15th century through the 18th century. Its goal is to provide a foundation for advanced study in history and related fields.

Basic Required Readings:

Craig, Graham, Kagan, Ozment, Turner, *The Heritage of World Civilizations Volume 11: Since 1500*. (5th edition, 2000)

Additional readings will be assigned and placed on reserve in the LRC.

Requirements and Grading:

- i) Mid – term exam: October 22 – 30%
- ii) Major essay (approx. 2000 words in length) due Nov. 7 – 40%*
- iii) End of term exam (written in December) – 30%

*Late essays will be penalized one stanine grade for each week they are late unless there is a compelling reason for the tardiness.

Topics and Schedule

September

5 Introduction

10 Europe in Transition: The Renaissance

Readings: Text Chap. 17 pp. 449 – 454

12 Europe in Transition: The Reformation

Readings: Text Chap. 17 pp. 454 – 470

LRC Reserve: Article One: Richard Ostling, *Luther: Giant of His Time and Ours*

17 Europe in Transition: The Counter – Reformation

19 Europe in Transition: Economic Growth and Voyages of Discovery

Readings: Text pp. 488 – 491 (Comparative Technology and Civilizations)

Chapter 19 pp.519 – 22.

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24 The New World: Spain and its Rivals in the Americas Part 1

Readings Text Chap. 19 pp 522 – 530

LRC Reserve: Article Two; Charles L. Mee, *That Fateful Moment When Two Civilizations Came Face to Face*

26 The New World: Spain and its Rivals in the Americas Part 11

Readings: Text pp. 530 – 535

LRC Reserve: Article Three Alfred W. Crosby, *The Potato Connection*

October

1 Trans Atlantic Connections: Africa and the Slave Trade

Readings : Text Chap. 18 pp.495 – 517; Chap 19 pp. 535 – 541

LRC Reserve: Article Four Elikia M'Bokolo, *Who was Responsible?*

3 The Hapsburg Empire: Philip 11 and Charles V of Spain

Readings: Text Chap. 17 pp. 473 – 476

8 The Rise of Parliamentary Power in England

Readings Text Chap. 21 pp. 585 – 593

10 Absolute Monarchy in France

Readings: Text; Chap. 17 pp.471 – 473; Chap. 21 pp. 593 – 598.

15 The Thirty Years War and the Germanies

Readings: Text Chap. 17 pp.476 – 478; Chap.21 pp. 601 – 605.

17 Colonial Rivalries in the 1600 and 1700's

Readings Text: Chap. 21 pp.605 – 611; Chap.25 pp. 689 – 692.

22 Mid – term test

24 The Emergence of Russia

Readings Text: Chap. 21 pp. 599 – 603; Chap. 24 pp. 679 – 683

29 Europe and the Middle East

Readings: Text Chap. 23 pp.637 – 648

November

5 Europe and Asia

Readings: Text Chap. 20 pp.546 – 558; Chap.20 pp.558 - 563

LRC. Article Five: Paul Gillingham, *The Mccartney Mission to China, 1792 - 94*

7 Europe's Old Regime: A Social Overview (**Essay due**)

Readings: Text Chap.22 pp.613 – 635

12 The Enlightenment: The Scientific Revolution and the Philosophes

Readings: Chap. 24 pp.663 – 676

LRC Reserve: Article Six William A. Wallace, *Galileo's Science and the Trial of 1633*

14 The French Revolution Part 1

Readings: Text Chap.25 pp.692 – 701

19 The French Revolution Part 11

LRC: Article Seven Keith Michael Baker, *A World Transformed*

21 Napoleonic Rule Part 1

Readings: Text Chap. 25 pp.702 – 708

26 Napoleonic Rule Part 11

28 The Emergence of a New Europe

December

3 Recapitulation and Review