

Georgia Institute of Technology
School of History, Technology, and Society
HTS 1031, Europe since the Renaissance

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Course Requirements and Grading

1. Five reading quizzes.(50%)
2. Midterm. (20%)
3. Final exam. (30%)

Midterm and final examinations cover lectures and readings. The format for the exams is essay and identification. Reading quizzes are identifications of a reading topic from the additional reading and/or short answer questions from the textbook and lectures. The weeks for these quizzes are indicated in the syllabus - always on Thursdays unless I notify you otherwise.

Attendance: I won't take attendance, but the papers and tests reward students who come to class and take notes.

Other: No laptops, recording devices, or other electronics can be used in class. You must take notes by hand. The purpose of this requirement is to ensure a good learning environment.

Reading

Required reading at the bookstores:
John Merriman, *A History of Modern Europe*.

Other required readings, songs, and short films on-line:

Martin Luther, *Freedom of a Christian*,

<http://www.wsu.edu/~dee/REFORM/FREEDOM.HTM>

Galileo Galilei, *Starry Messenger*,

<http://www.historyguide.org/earlymod/starry.html>

and *Letter to GD Christina*,

<http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/mod/galileo-tuscany.html>

Voltaire, *Philosophical Dictionary*, selections on "Love," "Religion."

<http://history.hanover.edu/texts/voltaire/volindex.html>

The Marseillaise.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4K1q9Ntcr5g>

Adam Smith, *The Wealth of Nations*.

<http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/mod/adamsmith-summary.html>

Parliamentary Papers, selection on women miners.

<http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/mod/1842womenminers.html>

Parliamentary Papers, selection on Sadler Committee investigation.

<http://www.victorianweb.org/history/workers1.html>

Karl Marx and Frederick Engels, *The Manifesto of the Communist Party*,

http://www.wsu.edu:8080/~wldciv/world_civ_reader/world_civ_reader_2/marx.html

The Internationale.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Internationale

John Hobson, *Imperialism*,

<http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/mod/1902hobson.html>

Shell Shock.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RRv56gsqkzs&feature=related>

Gas.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L4QxvFzK2R0&feature=related>

Wilfred Owen, *Dulce et Decorum Est*.

<http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/mod/1914warpoets.html>

Mussolini, *What Is Fascism?*

<http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/mod/mussolini-fascism.html>

Hitler Speech.

<http://video.google.com/videoplay?docid=-11746012802428229&q=hitler%20speech&hl=en>

Yalta Conference,

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ybnzMnFEWJY&feature=related>

Winston Churchill, *Iron Curtain* speech.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jvax5VUvjWQ&feature=related>

Interview with Sam Cohen, inventor of neutron bomb.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z_QFXGxw6Tk&feature=related

Ronald Reagan, Tear Down This Wall.

<http://video.google.com/videoplay?docid=6500246417134354527&q=reagan+berlin+wall&ei=Xm8PSJKIMpLMrAKxutCpBA>

Fall of the Berlin Wall.

<http://video.google.com/videoplay?docid=6500246417134354527&q=reagan+berlin+wall&ei=Xm8PSJKIMpLMrAKxutCpBA>

Print out the selections (when they are readings) and bring to class.

Weekly Schedule

Week 1. The Renaissance

Reading: Merriman, chs. 1-2.

Week 2. The Reformation

Reading: Merriman, chs. 3-4.

Luther

Quiz #1.

Week 3. Discovery and Conquest

Reading: None

Week 4. The Decline of Spain and The Rise of England

Reading: Merriman, chs. 5-6.

Week 5. The Scientific Revolution

Reading: Merriman, ch. 8.

Galileo

Quiz #2.

Week 6. Absolutism and Enlightenment

Reading: Merriman, chs. 7, 9-11.

Voltaire

Week 7. The French Revolution and Napoleon

Reading: Merriman, chs. 12-14.

Marseillaise

Midterm.

Week 8. Industrialization

Reading: Merriman, chs. 15-16.

Smith, Parliamentary Papers

Week 9. Revolutionary Europe

Reading: Merriman, ch. 17.

Marx

Quiz #3.

Week 10. Nationalism
Reading: Merriman, chs. 18-21.

Week 11. Imperialism and World War One
Reading: Merriman, ch. 22.
Hobson, Shell Shock, Gas, Owen

Quiz #4.

Week 12. The Russian Revolution and Stalinism
Reading: Merriman, chs. 23.
The International

Week 13. Fascism and Nazism
Reading: Merriman, chs. 24.
Mussolini, Hitler Speech

Week 14. Spanish Civil War and World War II
Reading: Merriman, chs. 25-26.

Quiz #5.

Week 15. The Cold War and Decolonization
Reading: Merriman, chs. 27-28.
Yalta, Churchill, Cohen

Week 16. The Recovery of Europe.
Reading: Merriman, chs. 29-30.
Reagan, Berlin Wall

Final Exam

Note: Students are expected to abide by the Georgia Tech Honor Code.