This introductory course surveys the history of Europe during the formative period of the modern era from 1500 to 1800. It focuses on the crucial episodes of religious and political conflict in these centuries, while also highlighting key intellectual, cultural, and economic developments: the Protestant Reformation and Catholic Reformation, the rise of capitalism and plantation slavery, the scientific revolution, the English civil war, court culture, the Enlightenment, and the French Revolution. Required for the European History concentration, this course also provides essential historical grounding for any student interested in study abroad or in modern culture and politics.

Assignments

All assigned reading is required and must be completed by the time the class meets. The class format consists of lectures, with the opportunity to comment and raise questions, and four discussion sessions (Feb. 5, Feb. 26, April 2, April 16). Attendance at discussion sessions is required and students taking the course pass-fail will not get credit for the course unless they are present at all sessions. When discussion sessions are scheduled, the class will be divided into two groups, one to arrive at 2:40 pm and the other at 3:20 pm; there is also a short written exercise to prepare for discussion sessions in which a paper is not due. There will be a midterm and final test, both of which may include a map test. Two 3-page papers on assigned readings are scheduled; the first is due on course Moodle by 12 noon on Feb. 5 and the second is due on course Moodle by 12 noon on April 16. (See below for late paper penalties). Students taking the course pass-fail must receive a C- or better to earn credit for their work. For University policies on students with disabilities please see the course Moodle.

Deadline Policy

No late papers are permitted. Late papers will incur a grade penalty of one step per day. No papers will be accepted after seven days. Students who take the course pass-fail will not receive credit for late papers.
Readings

Readings are of two main types: (1) primary sources available on course Moodle (M on the course syllabus) listed by title, pp. 6-7; and (2) books listed below and by author and title on syllabus. There are also occasional handouts (indicated by the letter H). All readings on the syllabus are required. Books may be purchased at Broad Street Books and are also on library reserve. While it is recommended that you have your own copy of the three textbooks used in the course, you will find it essential to be able to read and refer to your personal copy of the primary sources, including the books by Luther, Locke, Voltaire, and Hunt as indicated below.

I strongly urge you to make your own printouts of the Moodle readings; readings should be brought to the relevant class as indicated on the syllabus.

Books available at Broad Street Books:

Primary Sources:
Martin Luther, Christian Liberty (Grimm ed.)
John Locke, Second Treatise of Government (Peardon ed.)
Voltaire, Letters on England (Tancock ed.)
Lynn Hunt, ed., The French Revolution and Human Rights

Textbooks:
Mark Kishlansky, A Monarchy Transformed: Britain 1603-1714 (1996)

Maps

Required maps will be available on the History 202 Moodle.

Grading

Discussions - 10 %; Two papers - 30 %; Midterm and final tests - 60%.

Office Hours (x2382)

41 Wyllys (Squash) C313: Mondays & Wednesdays, 2:45-4:05
Schedule of Lectures, Discussions, and Assignments

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Jensen, *Reformation Europe*, 229-235, 241-245
Kishlansky, *A Monarchy Transformed*, pp. 55-64 and ch. 3
(M) King Henry IV, *Speech* (1598)
(M) King James I, *Speech* (1610)

Feb. 26  Discussion: Bodin and Absolutism

(M) Bodin, *Six Books of the Commonwealth*, excerpts (1576)

Feb. 28  Commercial Capitalism and the Emergence of Plantation Slavery

(M) Father Antonio Vieira, Sermon (c. 1650)
(M) Selected laws of the colony of Virginia (1630-91)
(M) Father J. B. Labat, *New Voyage to the Islands of America* (c. 1700)

March 5  Midterm Test

March 7  Galileo and the Beginnings of the Scientific Revolution

Jensen, *Reformation Europe*, 375-384
(M) Galileo, *The Starry Messenger*, (1610)
(M) Galileo, *Letter to the Grand Duchess Christina* (1615)

Spring Break

March 26  The Outbreak of Civil War in England (1637-1644)

Kishlansky, *A Monarchy Transformed*, chs. 5, 6
(M) Root and Branch Petition (1640)
(M) Parliament, *The 19 Propositions* (1642)
(M) King Charles I, *Answer to the 19 Propositions* (1642)

March 28  Civil War and Revolution in England (1644-1660)

Kishlansky, *A Monarchy Transformed*, chs. 7, 8
(M) *An Agreement of the People* (1647)
(M) *The Putney Debates*, Day 2 (1647)
(M) George Fox, *Journal*, excerpt from 1646 to 1648

April 2  Discussion: Who Should Govern?
(M) *The Putney Debates*, Day 2 (29 Oct. 1647)
April 4  The "Glorious Revolution" and John Locke
Kishlansky, *A Monarchy Transformed*, chs. 11, 12

April 9  Absolutism Triumphant: Louis XIV
(M) Louis XIV, *Letters to Colbert* (1671-74)
(M) Louis XIV, *Reflections on Kingship* (1679)
(M) Duke of Saint-Simon, *Memoirs of the Court of Louis XIV* (c. 1700)

April 11  The Enlightenment
Doyle, *French Revolution*, ch. 2

April 16  Discussion: Voltaire (PAPER)

April 18  Crisis in the French Monarchy
Doyle, *French Revolution*, chs. 1, 3
Hunt, ed., *Human Rights*, 1-12

April 23  The Coming of the French Revolution
Doyle, *French Revolution*, ch. 4, 5, 7

April 25  The French Revolution continued: Constitutional Monarchy
Doyle, *French Revolution*, ch. 6, 8, and pp. 197-200
Hunt, ed., *Human Rights*, 16-31, 119-139

April 30  The French Revolution continued: The Jacobin Republic
Doyle, *French Revolution*, pp. 200-10 and ch. 10, 11, 12

May 2  The End of the Revolution

May 7  Final Test
Twelve Articles of the Peasants (Jan.-Feb. 1525)
Martin Luther, Admonition to Peace (April 1525)
   [E. Cochrane & J. Kirshner, The Renaissance, University of Chicago Readings in
   Western Civilization, vol. 5]

Thomas Müntzer (c.1489-1525), Sermon Before the Princes (1524)
   [G. H. Williams, ed., Spiritual and Anabaptist Writers]

Anabaptist documents (1524-1573)
   [H. Hillerbrand, ed., The Protestant Reformation]

Jean Calvin (1509-64), "Commentary on Genesis" (Sermon)
   [unpublished translation by Natalie Zemon Davis]

Jean Calvin (1509-64), The Institutes of the Christian Religion (1559)

Preface to the First Book of Common Prayer (1549)
   [The Book of Common Prayer]

John Stoinski (1590-1654), An Epitome of the History of the Origin of the Unitarians
   in Poland (c. 1630-50)
   [G. H. Williams, ed., History of the Polish Reformation]

George Schomann (1530-c. 1591), Last Will and Testament
   [G. H. Williams, ed., History of the Polish Reformation]

St. Ignatius of Loyola (1491-1556), The Spiritual Exercises (c. 1541)
   [A. Mottola, trans.]

St. Ignatius of Loyola (1491-1556), Letter on Obedience (1553)
   [W. J. Young, trans., Letters of St. Ignatius Loyola]

Decrees of the Council of Trent (1546, 1561)
   [E. Cochrane & J. Kirshner, The Renaissance, University of Chicago Readings in
   Western Civilization, vol. 5]

Theodore Béza (1519-1605), Right of Magistrates (1574)
   [J. Franklin, eds., Constitutionalism and Resistance in the Sixteenth Century]

Jean Bodin (1530-1596), Six Books of the Commonwealth (1576)
   [M. Tooley, trans.]
King Henry IV (Bourbon) of France (1553-1610), Speech (1598)  
[D. Buisseret, Henry IV]

King James I (Stuart) of England (1566-1625), Speech (1610)  
[D. Wootton, ed., Divine Right and Democracy]

Father Antonio Vieira (1608-1697), Sermon  
[R. E. Conrad ed., Children of God’s Fire]

Selected laws of the colony of Virginia (1630-1691)  
[W. L. Rose ed., A Documentary History of Slavery in North America]

Father Jean Baptiste Labat (1663-1738), New Voyage to the Islands of America  

Galileo Galilei (1564-1617), The Starry Messenger (1610)  
[S. Drake, Discoveries and Opinions of Galileo]

Galileo Galilei (1564-1617), Letter to the Grand Duchess Christina (1615)  
[S. Drake, Discoveries and Opinions of Galileo]

The Root and Branch Petition (11 December 1640)  
[J. P. Kenyon, ed., The Stuart Constitution]

Parliament, The Nineteen Propositions (1642)  
[J. P. Kenyon, ed., The Stuart Constitution]

King Charles I (Stuart) (1600-1649), Answer to the Nineteen Propositions (1642)  
[D. Wootton, ed., Divine Right and Democracy]

An Agreement of the People (1647)  
[D. Wootton, ed., Divine Right and Democracy]

The Putney Debates, Day 2 (29 October 1647)  
[G. Aylmer, ed., The Levellers in the English Revolution]

George Fox (1624-1691), Journal (1646-1648)  
[N. Penney, ed.]

Louis XIV (1638-1715), Letters to Colbert (1671-1674)  
[O. and P. Ranum eds., The Century of Louis XIV]

Louis XIV (1638-1715), Reflections on Kingship (1679)  
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Louis de Rouvroy, Duke of Saint-Simon (1675-1755), Memoirs of Court of Louis XIV  
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