History 373-01: English History to 1660

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MWF
MHRA Rm 2209

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August 25 Introduction


August 29 Prehistoric Britain. “Beginnings/Conquest!” (VH 9310)

September 1 Labor Day Holiday. No Class.

September 3 Roman Britain. S: 26-44.

September 5 Roman Britain.

September 8 Rise of Christianity


September 15 Feudalism

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September 19 The Norman Conquest. S: 66-68.


September 26 QUIZ I (Required: bring your own blank blue book).

September 29 Henry II. S: 121-153.

October 1 Henry II. “Dynasty/Nations” (VH 9311)


October 6 Magna Carta.
October 8  “State Opening of Parliament”
October 10 “State Opening of Parliament”
October 15 The Black Death and Its Consequences.  S: 222-244.  “King Death/Burning Convictions” (VH 9312)
October 17 Religious Crisis of the Late Middle Ages.
October 20 Fall Break. No Class.
October 22 “The Luttrell Psalter” (VH 4010)
October 24 Richard II and the Lancastrians.  S: 244-266.
October 29 War of the Roses and Henry VII.
October 31 QUIZ II (Required: bring your own blank blue book).

November 5 Henry VIII. “A Man for All Seasons” (VH 268)
November 7 Dissolution of the Monasteries.
November 10 Dissolution of the Monasteries.
November 19 Reign of Elizabeth, First Half. “Virgin Queen” (first half)
November 26 Thanksgiving Holiday. No Class.
November 28  Thanksgiving Holiday.  No Class.

December 1  Reign of Elizabeth, Second Half.

December 3  James I and Charles I

December 5  Interregnum and Charles II.  “Cromwell”

December 8  Final In-Class Examination – QUIZ III (Required: bring blank blue book).

Office hours: by appointment only.  Attendance policy: Lectures are an integral part of this course. You are allowed four absences with no distinction made between excused and unexcused. After the fourth absence, you must drop the course.  Grading policy: For each quiz and the final exam, each student will receive a numerical and a letter grade. The numerical grades will be arranged according to a method of statistical probability known as the bell curve, and a letter grade will be assigned accordingly. After the final exam, an average grade will be figured and a final letter grade assigned according to the bell curve. In each instance, 8-10 grades will be ‘A’s, the next cluster ‘B’s, etc. This method encourages and rewards improvement during the semester. If you happen to do poorly on a quiz but study hard and make better grades, your semester’s average will improve.