The University of Texas at Tyler Spring Semester 2024 HIST 5353 – Reformation Europe

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Course Overview and Objectives:

In our readings and discussions, we will be examining the shifting fortunes of the Spanish monarchy and its empire from the reign of Philip II (1556-1598) to the middle of the eighteenth century. We will examine the problems facing the Habsburg monarchs in Europe and across the globe and then examine the reconfiguration and revival of the monarchy and empire under the early Bourbon dynasty up to 1748.

Course Requirements and Grading Policy:

Your grade will be based mainly on written reviews of the books we are reading. Each paper is worth 10% of your total grade (six reviews totaling 60%), a comprehensive essay will be worth 30% and finally 10% for attendance and participation. Papers should be roughly 4-6 pages in length and should address the book's thesis and how well it proves its case. The comprehensive essay will be a retrospective comparison of all seven books. Late papers will not be accepted unless there is official documentation of a family or medical emergency.

Final Withdrawal Date: Monday, March 25.

Required Books:

J.H. Elliott, *Imperial Spain: 1469-1716*

Geoffrey Parker, Imprudent King: A New Life of Philip II

Anton Van Der Lem, Revolt in the Netherlands

Carla Rhan Phillips, Six Galleons for the King of Spain

J.H. Elliott, Richelieu and Olivares

Arturo Giraldez, The Age of Trade

Christopher Storrs, The Spanish Resurgence, 1713-1748

Calendar of Meetings and Assignments:

Jan. 17	Introduction
Jan. 24	Discussion of Elliott, Imperial Spain, pages 212-386.
Jan. 31	Discussion of Parker, pages, xiv-174.
Feb. 7	Discussion of Parker, pages 175-375. First book review due.
Feb. 14	Discussion of JSTOR articles on the Dutch Revolt and Eighty Years War.
Feb. 21	Discussion of Van der Lem. Second book review due.
Feb. 28	No meeting.
Mar. 6	Discussion of Phillips. Third book review due.
Mar. 13	Spring Break – No meeting.
Mar. 20	Discussion of Elliott, Richelieu and Olivares. Fourth book review due
Mar. 27	Discussion of JSTOR articles on the decline of the Spanish monarchy.
April 3	Discussion of Giraldez. Fifth book review due.
April 10	Discussion of JSTOR articles on the Spanish Netherlands.
April 17	Discussion of JSTOR articles on Spanish rule in Italy.
April 24	Discussion of Storrs. Sixth book review due.
May 1	Comprehensive Essay Due. No meeting, email as pdf.

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