

The University of Texas at Tyler
Fall Semester 2016
HIST 3356 – Seventeenth Century Europe
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Course Overview and Learning Outcomes:

This course is an in-depth examination of European history from the late 1500s to the early 1700s. We will explore the impact of the Catholic and Protestant reformations and the resulting religious wars in Europe and the British Isles. We will analyze the rise of the Dutch Republic, the most dynamic society of the time, along with its overseas empire and its culture. Finally, we will examine the rise of autocratic monarchies at the opposite ends of Europe, France in the west and Russia in the East.

Course Requirements and Grading Policy:

There will be a midterm and a final exam, each worth 100 points. There will be a book analysis, also worth 100 points. The grading scale is based on the following:

270-300 points = A	210-239 points = C
240-269 points = B	180-210 points = D

Make-up exams will not be given nor will late papers be accepted. The only exceptions will be granted for *officially documented* family or medical emergencies.

Final Withdrawal Date: Monday, November 6

Required Books:

Richard Dunn, *The Age of Religious Wars* (Norton)
ISBN 9780393090215

Mariet Westerman, *A Worldly Art: the Dutch Republic* (Yale)
ISBN 9780300107234

Maurice Ashley, *Louis XIV and the Greatness of France* (Free Press)
ISBN 9780029010808

James Cracraft, *The Revolution of Peter the Great* (Harvard)
ISBN 9780674019843

Schedule of Reading and Assignments:

Aug. 29 – Introduction

Sept. 5 – The Legacy of the Reformation; Dunn

Sept. 12 – The Religious Wars in Europe and Britain; Dunn

Sept. 19 – The Habsburgs and Global Hegemony; Dunn

Sept. 26 – The Rise of the Dutch Republic, Westerman

Oct. 3 – The Dutch Overseas Empire; Society and Culture; Westerman

Oct. 10 – Midterm Exam

Oct. 17 – The Wars of Religion and the Revival of the French Monarchy; Ashley

Oct. 24 – Richelieu's France

Oct. 31 – No Meeting

Nov. 7 – France in the Reign of Louis XIV; Ashley

Nov. 14 – No Meeting; read Cracraft

Nov. 21 – No Meeting; read Cracraft

Nov. 28 – The Rise of the Russian Empire; Book Analysis Due

Dec. 5 – Russia under Peter the Great

Dec. 12 – Final Exam

Additional University Policies:

For a number of other important UT-Tyler policies, please see the following:

<http://www.uttyler.edu/academicaffairs/files/syllabuspolicy.pdf>