Religious Studies 80B
IV Theatre 2, MWF 10-10.50am

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Course Description
Religion was one of the most important elements of medieval and early modern European politics, society, culture. In this course we will investigate the history of Christianity during this period. More specifically, we will examine the origin of Christianity, we will analyze some of the theological, ecclesiological and cultural features of the medieval Church, and we will explain some of the causes and some of the consequences of the Reformation.

WAIT LIST: NEW POLICY
Please note that the Religious Studies Department has implemented a new policy to manage the wait list for this class. If you want to crash this course, please go to the Department webpage (http://www.religion.ucsb.edu) and follow the directions to add to the online waiting list. DO NOT email the professor or the TAs, as we simply cannot manage the wait list.

Course Requirements
This course is composed of weekly lectures and weekly discussion sessions. Attendance to discussion sessions is mandatory: your grade will reflect the extent and the quality of your participation in the discussion. There will be a mid-term and a final exam: both will be in-class exams. In addition, there will be a take-home exam, due on the end of Week IX (March 5th). Please note that all the assignments have to be fulfilled in order to pass this class. Also, there will not be early exams or make-up exams: so please plan your schedule accordingly.

The course will be graded in the following manner:
- Section attendance and participation: 15%
- Midterm (essay questions): 20%
- Take-Home Final (essay questions, 1,800 words): 30%
- Final (essay questions): 35%
Course material
The items marked with an asterisk have been collected and bound together into a course reader, which will be available for purchase at the A.S. Publication Service window. The following books have been ordered and are available for purchase:


Schedule of Lectures

Week I
READING: J.H.Lynch, The Medieval Church, pp.1-115, selected passages from the Rule of S.Benedict*
Jan 4: Introduction
Jan 6: the beginning of the medieval Church
Jan 8: the Carolingian reformation

Week II
READING: J.H.Lynch, The Medieval Church, pp.116-182, Dictatus Papae*
Jan 11: the Church in the year 1000: spiritual reformation
Jan 13: the Church in the year 1000: ecclesiological reformation
Jan 15: The Church after the year 1000: doctrinal issues

Week III
READING: J.H.Lynch, The Medieval Church, pp.197-238; 256-335, selected passages from the Inquisitor Bernard of Gui’s work on heresis*
Jan 18: NO CLASS
Jan 20: The Church after the year 1000: The Church and its enemies
Jan 22: (MOVIE)

Week IV
READING: Erasmus from Rotterdam, Praise of Folly, Penguin 1994
Jan 25: (MOVIE)
Jan 27 Pope & Emperor
Jan 29: Christian Humanism and Erasmus from Rotterdam

Week V
Feb 1: MIDTERM
Feb 3: The Fundamentals
Feb 5: The Reformation: political and religious background
Week VI
READING: P.Collinson, The Reformation, pp.65-102, 123-143, selected writings from Calvin*, and the Thirty-Nine Articles*
Feb 8: Luther & Zwingli
Feb 10: Calvin
Feb 12: The English Reformation

Week VII
READING: G.R.Elton, Introduction to The new Cambridge Modern History, the Reformation*
Feb 15: NO CLASS
Feb 17: Review of the Reformation
Feb 19: MOVIE (Luther)

Week VIII
P.Collinson, The Reformation, pp.103-122; selected canons of the Council of Trent*
Feb 22: MOVIE (Luther)
Feb 24: The Catholic Church before Trent
Feb 26: The Council of Trent

Week IX
March 1: The Catholic Church after Trent
Mar 3: The Society of Jesus
Mar 5: The Autobiography of Loyola (TAKE-HOME EXAM DUE)

Week X
READING: Either L.Blissett, Q; or U.Eco, The name of the rose (NB: these are recommended, not required, readings)
Mar 8: Religious and persecution
Mar 10: Conclusion of the Course

Exam Week: FINAL EXAM