Spring 2013
Class Time: Tuesdays & Thursdays 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM
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Course Objective and Description:
This course explores the ideas and art forms of the Post-Renaissance and Baroque worlds from the mid-17th century to the present. Special attention will be given to western and non-western cultures, including the interrelated elements of art, literature, architecture, music, philosophy, religion, and politics. Each of the cultural elements will be examined for evidence of primary themes, values, and ideas present in the selected societies. We will also look at the presence or potential application of historical value systems in the modern world. This is a Gordon Rule class.

Note: Florida’s Gordon Rule (as applied at UCF) requires a passing score (60% or >) on a minimum of four papers per class. Additionally, students must earn at least a C- in the class as a whole for Gordon Rule credit.

Required Texts (please obtain all required text by the end of the first week):


Book 4 Faith, Reason, and Power in the Early modern World

Book 5 Romanticism, Realism, and the Nineteenth-Century World

Book 6 Modernism, Postmodernism, and the Global Perspective

*PDF files* will be distributed by the instructor via the UCF Webcourse2 throughout the semester. Please make sure you check your Webcourse2 regularly for updated materials and announcements.

*MLA Format and Citation Guidelines* may be obtained from the Webcourse’s Content Section.

Note: As of 2009, Knightsmail is the only official student email at UCF. Class rosters list Knightsmail addresses rather than external email addresses, and all official class communications will be sent only to the Knightsmail addresses. Students are responsible for checking their Knightsmail accounts regularly. See www.knightsemail.ucf.edu for further information.
Important dates to remember:

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*All dates are subject to change based on professor’s discretion. Any changes will be announced in class, and students will be given an updated syllabus.

Grading Criteria:

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100 points + 5 points extra credit

Assignments and Details:

(All written assignments must follow the MLA Format and Citation Guidelines on Webcourse2)

1. Attendance and Participation (20 points = 10+5+5; see details below)

   Attendance: 10 points
   Class Participation: 5 points
   Reading Questions/Discussion Topics: 5 points

   Attendance: You lose 1 point on your overall grade every time you miss a class—unless you have a medical excuse supported with a doctor’s note, signed and dated. Please email me if you are ill and will not be attending class. You are asked not to come to class if you are feeling sick. You may present the doctor’s note to me later. Please note that if you come to class just to sign-in and leave before the end of the class, you will lose the attendance point of the day.

   Class Participation: You may earn 5 points with active participation in class discussions.

   Reading Questions: You are asked to prepare 2 questions/topics for discussion during each lecture. Please print these questions/topics out and bring them to class. You may earn 5 points by engaging the class with one of the 2 questions/topics. You will then be placed in a group during each lecture to work together than then share their findings with the class and get the 5 points.

2. Three In-Class + Take-home Exams (45 points = 15 x 3 points each)

   You will have one week to complete each one of the three in-class + take-home exams—e.g. questions will be handed to you on a Thursday, after taking the multiple choices portion in-class, you MUST submit A HARD COPY of your two short essay answer to me in class by the following Thursday. There will be NO MAKE UP EXAMS. Each exam is worth 15 points, and each is consisted of “in-class” multiple choices questions (5 points), and “take-home” two short essay questions (10 points). These short essay questions require you to reflect on the readings and class discussions while comparing and contrasting varying viewpoints, including your own. You should be able to define, describe, and discuss some of the new terms and ideas we learn in class. You MUST reflect carefully, and specifically, on the readings to get a good grade. Your answer must be well written, follows the MLA Format and...
Citation Guidelines, which may be obtained from your Webcourse2’s Content Section. Once again, I only grade hard copy of your exam, but I DO need you to submit an electronic copy of your essay via Webcourse2.

Exam 1 Questions will be handed out on Sept 19, 2013 and will be due on Sept 26, 2013. Exam 2 will be handed out on Oct 17, 2013 and will be due on Oct 24, 2013. Exam 3 will be handed out on Nov 14, 2013 and will be due on Nov 21, 2013. (Meets the standards for Gordon Rule)

3. Research Paper (15 points, see details below)

Further details will be distributed in a separate handout. This assignment will be handed out on Sept 26, 2013. Each of you must prepare a one page research paper proposal for peer review in class on Oct 8, 2013 (bring 5 hard copies). You will receive feedbacks from your peers on Oct 10, 2013.

Each of you will give a presentation on of your research paper on one of the following days:

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All paper due on the date of your presentation. This paper is worth 15 points. This assignment replaces classes that are cancelled due to my being on academic conferences or research trips. (Meets the standards for Gordon Rule)

4. Final Exam (20 points, see details below)

We will meet DURING EXAM TIME 10:00 p.m. - 12:50 p.m. on December 10, 2013. You will take the multiple choice questions in class. The essay portions will be handed out to you on .

5. Extra credits (+5 points, see details below)

Students have the option of creating, or writing a 1-2 page paper on a small course related topic. You may earn up to 5 points as extra credits.

NOTES:
1. Incomplete in this course is not an option unless it is absolutely unavoidable. You must have a legitimate reason.
2. Please keep a copy of all papers you turn in to me.
3. I only accept hard copies of your paper that are present to me no later than its due day, UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED. Electronic copies of your issue paper WILL NOT be graded.
4. I would like to see students in this class on an individual basis from time to time so that I can help you with problem areas. Since this class deals with many difficult issues, one can easily feel conflicted and uncomfortable. You should feel free to express these feelings.
5. No assignments will be accepted after Nov 26th, 2013. NO EXCEPTIONS!
6. We will meet on our regularly scheduled exam day, please come to class during the final exam time, NOT REGULAR CLASS TIME.
7. Late papers are not advisable. Each assignment will be graded on a point system, depending on the percentage of your grade. (For example, if a paper is worth 20% of your grade, you will get somewhere between 0 and 20 points.) Five points will be taken off your grade each day a paper is turned in late. Please do not put late papers under my office door. Instead, take them to the office staff in Philosophy and ask someone who works in the office to date and initial the paper. If this is not done, I will count the paper late based on the day that I receive it.
8. Attendance is important. Please try not to miss classes, especially the guest lectures.
9. Plagiarism is a very serious matter and will be dealt with accordingly.

For your information: A+=98-100 points (while the University of Central Florida does not have “A+” on its grading scale, you’ll be invited to compete for a full scholarship to study Chinese language and cultures in the metropolis harbor city Guangzhou for one semester or to one year (two of my students won full scholarships in Spring 2012); A= 93-97 points; A- =90-92 points; B+=87-89; B= 83-86; B- =80-82; C+=77-79; C=73-76; C- =70-72; D+=67-69; D=63-66; D- =60-62, and anything lower than 60 is an F. Grades will reflect the plus and minus system.
Class Schedule:

You should be prepared to discuss your reading assignments in class. You are expected to know the contents and think critically. You are expected to come to class with two questions/topics prepared to share and discuss with the class. This will earn you 5 points, which will be added to your attendance and class participation (see Assignments Section). You will be called upon randomly at least once during the semester.

A rough draft or outline of your project/presentation may be turned in advance for critical feedback from your peers (see schedule). I want you to have plenty of time to make any changes.

Note: You must check your Webcourse2 on a regular basis for updated materials and announcements.

Aug 20, 2013  Tuesday  Introduction
Assignment: Read the following material for Thursday’s discussion
Chapter 20

Aug 22, 2013  Thursday  Lecture 1  Discuss Chapter 20
Assignment: Read the following materials for next Tuesday’s discussion
Chapter 20
Chapter 22  The Baroque in the Protestant North (ca. 1550–1750)

Aug 27, 2013  Tuesday  Lecture 2  Discuss Chapters 20 and 22
Assignment: Read the following material for Thursday’s discussion
Chapter 21  Absolute Power and the Aristocratic Style (ca. 1550–1750)

Aug 29, 2013  Thursday  Lecture 3  Discuss Chapter 21 Part I
Assignment: Read the following materials for next Tuesday’s discussion
Chapter 21  Absolute Power and the Aristocratic Style (ca. 1550–1750)
Chapter 23  The Scientific Revolution and the New Learning (ca. 1550–1750)

Sept 2, 2013  Monday  Labor Day

Sept 3, 2013  Tuesday  Lecture 4  Discuss Chapters 21 Part II and 23
Assignment: Read the following materials for Thursday’s discussion: Chapter 24

Sept 5, 2013  Thursday  Lecture 5  Discuss Chapters 23 and 24
Assignment: Read the following materials for next Tuesday’s discussion: Chapter 25

Sept 10, 2013  Tuesday  Lecture 6  Discuss Chapter 25
Assignment: Chapter 26

Sept 12, 2013  Thursday  Lecture 7  Discuss Chapter 26 Part I
Assignment: Chapter 26 Part II

Sept 17, 2013  Tuesday  Lecture 8  Discuss Chapter 26 Part II
Assignment: Review 20-26  Film in Class

Sept 19, 2013  Thursday  Lecture 9  Review Chapters 20-26
Assignment: PDF File  Exam 1 Essay Questions will be handed out to you (Chapters 20-26)

Sept 24, 2013  Tuesday  Lecture 10  PDF file/Film Discussion
Assignment: Chapter 27  Exam 1 Multiple Choice Portion in Class
Sept 26, 2013    Thursday    Lecture 11    Discuss Chapter 27
   Due: Exam 1 Essay Portion (hard copy & in class)  Research Paper Handout
Assignment: Chapter 28

Oct 1, 2013    Tuesday    Lecture 12    Discuss Chapter 28
Assignment: Chapter 29

Oct 3, 2013    Thursday    Lecture 13    Discuss Chapter 29
Assignment: Chapter 30

Oct 8, 2013    Tuesday    Lecture 14    Discuss Chapter 30
   Due: Research Paper Peer Review (bring 5 hard copies)
Assignment: Chapter 31

Oct 10, 2013    Thursday    Lecture 15    Discuss Chapter 31
   Research Paper Peer Review Feedbacks in Class
Assignment: Review 27-31

Oct 15, 2013    Tuesday    Lecture 16    Research Paper Presentations Group I a
   Review Chapters 27-31
Assignment: Chapter 32

Oct 17, 2013    Thursday    Lecture 17    Research Paper Presentations Group I b
   Review 27-31, Discuss Chapter 32
   Exam 2 Essay Questions will be handed out to you
Assignment: Chapter 33

Oct 22, 2013    Tuesday    Exam 2 Multiple Choice Portion in Class
   Lecture 18    Discuss Chapter 33
Assignment: Chapter 34

Oct 24, 2013    Thursday    Lecture 19    Discuss Chapter 34
   Due: Exam 2 Essay Portion (hard copy & in class)
Assignment: Chapter 35

Oct 29, 2013    Tuesday    Research Paper Presentations Group I a
Assignment: Chapter 35-36

Oct 31, 2013    Thursday    Research Paper Presentation Group I b
Assignment: Chapter 36

Nov 5, 2013    Tuesday    Research Paper Presentations Group II a
   Discuss Chapters 35-36
Assignment: Chapter 37

Nov 7, 2013    Thursday    Research Paper Presentations Group II b
   Discuss Chapter 37
Assignment: Chapter 38

Nov 11, 2013    No Class    V-Day

Nov 12, 2013    Tuesday    Lecture 22    Discuss Chapter 38
   Assignment: Review Chapters 32-38

Nov 14, 2013    Thursday    Lecture 23    Reviews Chapters 32-38
   Exam 3 Questions will be handed out (Chapters 32-38)
   Assignment: Review Chapters 32-38

Nov 19, 2013    Tuesday    Exam 3 Multiple Choice Portion in Class
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**Review for Final Exam (Chapters 20-38)**  
Due: Exam 3 Essay Portion (hard copy & in class) |
| Nov 26, 2013 | Tuesday   | Last Day for THIS CLASS  
**Review for Final Exam (Chapters 20-38)**  
Final Exam Essay Questions (Part III) will be handed out |
| Nov 28, 2013 | No Class  | Thanksgiving Starts |
| Dec 2, 2013 | Monday    | Last Day of Class |
| Dec 10, 2013 | Tuesday   | Final Exam from 10:00-12:50 (Don’t be late)  
Due: Final exam Essay Portion (Part III)  
In class: Final exam Part I & Part II |