

Department of History, University of Manitoba,  
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**AN INTRODUCTION TO THE HISTORY OF WESTERN CIVILIZATION**  
**Class HIST 1350 (Section A01)**

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**Course Description**

This course is an introductory survey of the history of the Western world from the civilizations of the ancient Middle East and classical Antiquity through the European Middle Ages to the beginning of the early modern period in Europe. Emphasis will be placed on how ideas, concepts, and political, economic, and social structures came into being that today shape societies around the globe. We will discuss key developments in each epoch, and we will examine a wide variety of original documents. The objective of this course is to lay the ground for a better understanding of the world we live in.

**Course Format**

Lecture and in-class discussion groups.

**Required Texts**

L. Hunt et al., *The Making of the West* (3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, or 5<sup>th</sup> edition), vol. 1, to 1750, and  
K. Lualdi, *Sources of the Making of the West*, (4<sup>th</sup> edition), vol. 1, to 1750.

These two texts are available in the UofM bookstore as one package, containing the 5<sup>th</sup> edition of the textbook (Hunt) and the 4<sup>th</sup> edition of the source collection (Lualdi).

Students are welcome to use the 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> edition of the textbook, but they are urged to use the 4<sup>th</sup> edition of the source collection and not an earlier one.

**Required Readings**

Assignments in the textbook and source collection.

<b>Assignments and Final Grade</b>	<b><u>Due Date</u></b>	<b><u>Percentage of Final Grade</u></b>
Map test	Jan. 28	5
Document analysis (6 - 8 pages, or 1,500-2,000 words)	Feb. 25	30
Library assignment	March 8	5
Bibliographical Essay (6 - 8 pages, or 1,500-2,000 words)	March 29	30
Final Examination	Scheduled by Registrar's Office	30

Please note that there will be no class on March 1, due to the absence of the instructor.

Since this is a course that meets the University Senate's W requirement, students must complete both essay assignments with a passing grade to pass the course.

Evaluative feedback on written assignments will be provided prior to the voluntary withdrawal date (March 18, 2016).

Essay questions on the final examination will be selected from review topics distributed in the last class of the semester.

### **Late Assignments and Missed Tests**

Late assignments will be accepted after the due dates with a penalty of one grade-point out of 100, per assignment, per day that the assignment is late, including weekends, unless a written request (with serious reasons) has been submitted in advance of the due date and written permission has been granted by the instructor.

There will be no make-up exams for the map test unless a written excuse with documentation of serious reasons for missing the test has been received by the instructor within one week of the test.

### **The Grade Distribution for this course is as follows**

A+	96 - 100%	C+	66 - 70 %
A	86 - 95 %	C	56 - 65 %
B+	81 - 85 %	D	50 - 55 %
B	71 - 80 %	F	0 - 49 %

### **Appealing Grades**

Students who wish to appeal a grade given for term work must do so within 10 working days after the grade for the term work has been made available to them.

### **Uncollected Term Work**

If a student does not pick up term work within four (4) months following the end of the course, the assignment becomes the property of the Faculty of Arts and will be subject to confidential destruction.

### **Academic Integrity**

The University's regulations re plagiarism, cheating and impersonation found in the section on "Academic Integrity" of the General Academic Regulations in the online Academic Calendar, and Catalog and the Faculty of Arts regulation (online at [http://umanitoba.ca/faculties/arts/student\\_resources/student\\_responsibilities.html](http://umanitoba.ca/faculties/arts/student_resources/student_responsibilities.html)) which reads

*The common penalty in Arts for plagiarism on a written assignment is a grade of F on the paper and a final grade of F (DISC) (for Disciplinary Action) for the course. For the most serious acts of plagiarism, such as purchase of an essay*

*and repeat violations, this penalty can also include suspension for a period of up to five (5) years from registration in courses taught in a particular department/program in Arts or from all courses taught in this Faculty. The Faculty also reserves the right to submit student work that is suspected of being plagiarized to Internet sites designed to detect plagiarism or to other experts for authentication.*

*The common penalty in Arts for academic dishonesty on a test or examination is F for the paper, F (DISC) for the course, and a one-year suspension from courses acceptable for credit in the Faculty. For more serious acts of academic dishonesty on a test or examination, such as repeat violations, this penalty can also include suspension for a period of up to five years from registration in courses taught in a particular department or program in Arts or from all courses taught in or accepted for credit by this Faculty.*

### **Student Resources**

You have access to several important resources to help you navigate your classes and university life more generally. There are writing tutors available to help you with your essays through the Academic Learning Centre (ALC): <http://umanitoba.ca/student/academiclearning/>

The ALC page also has resources to help you with study skills, organization, as well as assistance for students using English as an Additional Language (EAL). Other issues, including accessibility services, workshops, and tips about academic integrity are addressed at the Student Advocacy Services webpage ([http://umanitoba.ca/student/resource/student\\_advocacy/](http://umanitoba.ca/student/resource/student_advocacy/)). The History department has also made a writing tutor available exclusively to History students in the department on two days of the week. Her schedule is Monday 12:00-1:00 and Wednesday 9:00-10:00 am in 407 Fletcher Argue. Students can book an appointment through the Academic Learning Centre schedule by choosing the History Department option.

<https://manitoba.mywconline.com/>

All of the above services can also be accessed under the heading of Student Resources on the Student Affairs website: <http://umanitoba.ca/student/studentlife/index.html>

History students can also take advantage of the huge range of academic materials (including primary and secondary sources, as well as pages to help with writing and referencing) made available by the History subject librarian, Kyle Feenstra, tailored just for you! They are available on the Libraries page at this link: <http://libguides.lib.umanitoba.ca/content.php?pid=219304>

**CLASS SCHEDULE AND WEEKLY READINGS – TBA by the first day of classes.**