

**History 208: Early Modern Europe, 1300-1789**

**Fall 2010, Dr. Alisa Webb**

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**Content:**

History 208 examines the dynamic period from the late Middle Ages through to the French Revolution. Particular attention will be paid to the social, political, religious, economic, cultural, and intellectual transformations that occurred throughout Europe. Key topics will include the Renaissance, the Reformation, the Ancien Regime, the Scientific Revolution, and the Enlightenment. Overarching topics of consideration will include gender and state.

Emphasis in the course is placed on developing students oral and written skills. Students will be expected to read, discuss, and analyze primary and secondary sources. Active student participation is a fundamental part of the course, as reflected in the evaluation criteria.

**Grading:**

In-class Writing Assignment	10%
Primary Document Analysis	15%
Midterm Exam	20%
Historiography Essay	20%
Final Exam	20%
Participation	15%

**Texts:**

1. Brian Levack, *The Witch-Hunt in Early Modern Europe*, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, 2006
2. Machiavelli, *The Prince*
3. Online/reserve readings – weekly – of primary documents
4. Mary Lynn Rampolla, *Pocket Guide to Writing in History*, 4th ed.

**Prerequisites:** None