West Virginia University at Parkersburg

HIST 465 Renaissance and Reformation

Credit Hours: 3

Scheduled hours per week

Lecture: 3 Lab: 0

Other: 0

Catalog Course Description The impact of the Renaissance upon economic and political developments in the 15th and 16th centuries. A study of the growth of the Protestant movement and the influence of the movement upon the New and Old World.

Pre-requisites: N/A

Co-requisites: N/A

Course Learning Outcomes:

- Describe European history from the Black Plague to the creation of various Protestant faiths.
- Define interrelationships between Europe and surrounding cultures.
- Explain the reasons for and the impact of the Renaissance.
- Identify the social, political, religious and economic goals of Europe and its surrounding cultures during the Renaissance and Reformation.
- Describe the rise of Protestantism and how it affected the known world.
- Define the effect of Plague and its impact on Europe and the surrounding cultures.
- Identify the major European and religious leaders.

Topics to be studied:

- The political and social effect of the Black Plague
- The Arts during the Renaissance
- The lives of major contributors to the Renaissance
- The development of Protestantism
- The development of the Protestant Church
- Fashion and other social conventions
- Law and order in the Renaissance
- Cultural perceptions
- Science, technology and medicine of the Renaissance
- The life of Martin Luther
- Islam's continual expansion and conquests
- Spanish Inquisition
- Politics and violence in the Renaissance (especially the Italian States)
- The end of Roman Catholic dominance
- The rise of the Tudors and Stuarts
- Literature, art and culture of the Renaissance
- Italian society and the Holy Land
- The beginnings of the Scientific Revolution
- Europe and its conquests

Relationship of Course to Discipline Learning Outcomes	
Define key actors and events in an historic period.	Х
Distinguish major social, economic, political, and religious movements and their impact and influence.	Х
Illustrate appropriate skills in citing sources using The Chicago Manual of Style.	х
Identify the constituencies affected by competing ideologies.	Χ
Associate the interrelationship of nations and the results of competing national interests.	Χ
Examine the plight and evolving status of oppressed peoples, including African- Americans, women, Native Americans, Hispanics, and immigrants.	Х
Develop sound research practices that reflect the standards in the field of history.	х
Recognize the continuity of history and the influence of historic eras on succeeding eras.	Х

Relationship of Course to General Education Learning Outcomes:	
Composition and Rhetoric Students illustrate a fundamental understanding of the best	х
practices of communicating in English and meet the writing standards of their college or	
program-based communication requirements.	
Science & Technology Students successfully apply systematic methods of analysis to the	
natural and physical world, understand scientific knowledge as empirical, and refer to	
data as a basis for conclusions.	
Mathematics & Quantitative Skills Students effectively use quantitative techniques and	
the practical application of numerical, symbolic, or spatial concepts.	
Society, Diversity, & Connections Students demonstrate understanding of and a logical	х
ability to successfully analyze human behavior, societal and political organization, or	
communication.	
Human Inquiry & the Past Students interpret historical events or philosophical	Х
perspectives by identifying patterns, applying analytical reasoning, employing methods	
of critical inquiry, or expanding problem-solving skills.	
The Arts & Creativity Students successfully articulate and apply methods and principles	
of critical and creative inquiry to the production or analysis of works of art.	

Special requirements of the course:

N/A

Additional information:

N/A

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