

Summer Reading
List of Books We'll Be Reading Throughout the Academic Year

Highly Recommended (extra-credit)

Intellectuals, by Paul Johnson

ISBN-10: 0061253170 **ISBN-13:** 978-0061253171

In-Class Reading

1st term/9 wks.

The Prince, by Niccolo Machiavelli

ISBN-10: 0140449159 **ISBN-13:** 978-0140449150

The Babylonian Captivity of the Church, by Martin Luther

ISBN-10: 1506413471 **ISBN-13:** 978-1506413471

2nd term/9 wks.

Candide, by Voltaire

ISBN-10: 0486266893 **ISBN-13:** 978-0486266893

3rd term/9 wks.

On Liberty, John Stuart Mill

ISBN-10: 0486421309 **ISBN-13:** 978-0486421308

4th term/9 wks.

Nausea, by Jean Paul Sartre

ISBN-13: 978-0141185491 **ISBN-10:** 014118549X

The first two books we'll discuss in class are *The Prince* and *The Babylonian Captivity of the Church*.

We will spend about three days (roughly early September) discussing *The Prince*, followed by a quiz and a test on the material. The following week will follow the same program for *The Babylonian Captivity*. An important question to ponder as you read *The Prince* is, *who is the Prince Machiavelli is talking about? And why is this important for the development of the Italian Renaissance in the late 15th cent.?* As for *Babylonian Captivity*, *what are the basic differences between Roman Catholicism and Protestantism? In what ways, if any, does the Reformation depend on the Renaissance? How does the phrase, "Babylonian Captivity," apply to Rome?*

During the first week of class (either Tues. or Wed), there will be a test on the map of the Europe (nations and capitals). A map will be given on the very first day of class, but the student is encouraged to begin studying for this test before school begins.

Orientation Week: The Classical and Middle Ages (Friday, August 11 through Friday, August 18)

Friday (8/11/17): Handout and Read Syllabus; handout chapter on Middle Ages; handout chapter on European geography

Monday (8/14/17): Lecture on philosophy of history

Tuesday (8/15/17): Lecture on the phil. of hist. (cont.)

Wednesday (8/16/17): Lect. on phil. of hist. (cont.)

Thursday (8/17/17): Lecture on classical and medieval *chronology and geography*

Friday (8/18/17): Test on the Map of Europe; bonus questions taken from chap. on European Geography; handout/assign primary sources; continuing lecture on medieval chronology

NOTICE: Friday is the Final Day for Drop/Add

If we do not meet on Friday during that week, the map test will be on Thurs. If we do meet on Friday, then we will not meet on one of the days preceding that, in which case my lectures will change accordingly