The readings for this course have been arranged in weekly units. Students are expected to complete all of each week's reading before the first meeting of their discussion section each week.

All books will be available from the Reserve Room at the Eisenhower Library as well as for purchase at the Hopkins Bookstore. Since most of the readings are published in paperback, students are urged to buy books for their own use in class. A list of the most important readings to buy will be found at the end of the assignments. From time to time, the section instructor may suggest other reference works which can be consulted on aspects of the course.

There will be one mid-semester, a final examination and weekly writing assignments. Student participation in class discussions on the readings will be part of and count towards the final grade.

The use of electronic devices in class is forbidden, except for the purpose of taking notes. Please turn off your cell phones on entering the class. No twittering, text messaging or other forms of personal communication are allowed during class.

Week I: The Late Roman World and the Beginnings of Christianity

Hollister/Bennett, Medieval Europe, pp 4-27

New Testament: The Gospel according to St. Matthew
Epistle to the Romans
I Corinthians
Week II:  Christianity and Classical Culture –II
St.Augustine, The Confessions, Books 1-5

Week III:  Christianity and Classical Culture - II
St.Augustine, The Confessions, Books 6-9

Week IV:  The Germans
Tacitus, Germania

Week V:  Monasticism
The Rule of Saint Benedict
Bennett, Medieval Europe, pp. 40-50

Mid-Semester Exam

Week VI:  Manorialism and the Medieval Economy
Lynn White, Medieval Technology and Social Change, chapter 2
Bennett, Medieval Europe, pp. 131-150.

Week VII:  Carolingian Europe
Bennett, Medieval Europe, pp. 80-101
Lynn White, Medieval Technology and Social Change, chapter 1

Week VIII:  The Investiture Controversy
Mendenhall, Select Problems in Western Civilization; also goes by the title of
Ideas and Institutions in European History, depending on the edition. Read
the Sections on Papacy and Empire; The Road to Canossa
Bennett, Medieval Europe, pp. 167-189
Week IX:  
The Revival of Europe: Towns and Trade  
Baldwin, *The Scholastic Culture of the Middle Ages*, chapter 2

Week X:  
The Twelfth-Century Renaissance: Revival of Learning  
Baldwin, *Scholastic Culture of the Middle Ages*, chapters 3, 4

Week XI:  
The High Middle Ages: The New Piety  
Bennett, *Medieval Europe*, pp. 190-210

Week XII:  
Scholasticism  
Baldwin, *The Scholastic Culture of the Middle Ages*, chapters 5 and 6  
Bennett, *Medieval Europe*, pp. 269-96

Books to Buy

Judith Bennett, *Medieval Europe*

Saint Augustine, *The Confessions*

Tacitus, *Germania*

The Rule of Saint Benedict

Lynn White, *Medieval Technology and Social Change*

J. W. Baldwin, *The Scholastic Culture of the Middle Ages 1000-1300*. 