HSTR 101H.01: Western Civilization I

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Requirements. Attend the lectures, participate in the class discussions, and complete the readings and the assignments. There will be one midterm examination and a final exam.

Please be courteous to your classmates. Please turn off your cellphone. Notes should be taken, not borrowed. Good notes will help you master the material. Lectures may NOT be recorded.

Please come prepared to discuss the readings intelligently.

Grades are based on a 100 point scale. 93 for an A, 90 for an A-, 87 B+, 83 B, 80B-, 77 C+, 73 C, 70 C-, 67D+, 63 D, 60 D-, below 60 F. Participation 10%, midterms 40%, and the final 50%. Makeup examinations will not be given, except in rare instances.

Grading Options. According to University policy: "Courses taken to satisfy General Education Requirements must be taken for a traditional letter grade. Courses required for the student’s major or minor must be taken for a traditional letter grade."

Plagiarism or cheating means not just failure of the specific assignment but failure in the class.

Textbooks
Mark Kishlansky, et al. Civilization in the West
Sophocles, Antigone
Einhard, Life of Charlemagne available http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/basis/einhard.asp
The other assigned readings are available on e reserve at the library. The password is the course number.

Course Schedule
Week I May 28
Kishlansky Chapter 1 and 2.

Kishlansky, Chapter 3; Antigone, How did Creon and how did Antigone justify their actions?

Week II June 3
Kishlansky, Chapter 4; Thucydides, Melian Dialogue

Kishlansky Chapter 5; Tacitus, Agricola
Http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/ancient/tacitus-agricola.asp How does Tacitus view Agricola?

Kishlansky, Chapter 6 and 7

Week III June 10
Midterm June 11 tentative
Kishlansky Chapter 8; Charlemagne How does Einhard depict Charlemagne?
Http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/basis/einhard.asp

Kishlansky Chapters 9 and 10

Week VIII October 15-19 Kishlansky Chapter Chapters 11 and 12 Petrarch, Letters, selections How would you describe Petrarch after reading his letters?

Week IV June 17
Kishlansky Chapter 13 up to page 400 Chapter Erasmus, Letters, selections. How would you depict Erasmus after reading his letters?

Kishlansky Chapter 13 pp. 400-407

Kishlansky, Chapters 14

Week V June 24

Kishlansky, Chapter 15. Galileo Galilei, letter to the Grand Duchess Christina of
How does Galileo reconcile religion and science?

Kishlansky Chapter 16

Final June 27