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EUS 346 (36297)
TTH 11:00-12:30

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TUDOR ENGLAND, 1485-1603

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This lecture course explores the most significant political, religious, social, economic and cultural developments in sixteenth-century England. The main themes of the course are the development of the modern state, the Protestant Reformation, the emergence of a capitalist society, and the growth of political and religious divisions during the reigns of Queen Mary I (1553-1558) and Queen Elizabeth I (1558-1603). The lectures are topical and therefore do not follow a strict chronological order.

REQUIRED READING:

Roger Lockyer, *Tudor and Stuart Britain, 1485-1714* (3rd ed, Longman)
Christopher Haigh, *English Reformations* (Oxford)
Thomas More, *Utopia*, trans. & ed. R. Adams (3rd ed.) (Norton)
Colin Martin and Geoffrey Parker, *The Spanish Armada* (rev. ed. Manchester)

SCHEDULE OF LECTURES:

THE EARLY TUDORS AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE MODERN STATE

1. The Battle of Bosworth Field (Aug. 25)
2. Henry VII and the Nobility (Aug. 30)
3. Law and Order (Sept. 1)
4. The Monarchy, Parliament and the Constitution (Sept. 6)

THE REFORMATION

5. The English Church Before the Reformation (Sept. 8)
6. The Divorce (Sept. 13)
7. The Break from Rome (Sept. 15)
8. The Dissolution of the Monasteries (Sept.20)

A CHANGING SOCIETY

9. Social Structure and Social Mobility (Sept. 27)
10. Marriage, Sexuality and the Family (Sept. 29)
11. Agrarian Society and Enclosures (Oct. 4)
12. The Peerage (Oct. 6)
13. Humanism (Oct. 11)
14. More's *Utopia* (Oct. 18)
15. Witchcraft (Oct. 20)
16. Architecture (Oct. 25)

THE REIGNS OF EDWARD VI, MARY I AND ELIZABETH I

17. The Mid-Tudor Crisis (Nov. 1)
18. Religion and Politics in the Reign of Mary (Nov. 3)
19. Queen Elizabeth I: A Portrait (Nov. 8)
20. Mary Queen of Scots (Nov. 10)
21. Elizabethan Puritanism (Nov. 15)
22. The Catholic Problem (Nov. 17)
23. The War with Spain (Nov. 22)
24. Elizabeth and Parliament (Nov. 29)
25. The Legacy of the Tudors (Dec. 1)

EXAMINATIONS

There will be two 75-minute exams and a take-home final. The first 75-minute exam will be held on Thursday, September 22, and will cover the following material:

- Lectures 1-8
- Lockyer, *Tudor and Stuart Britain*, chapters 1-4
- Haigh, *English Reformations*, pp. 1-167.

The second 75-minute exam will be held on Thursday, October 27, and will cover the following material:

- Lectures 9-16
- Lockyer, *Tudor and Stuart Britain*, Chapter 6
- More, *Utopia*, and essays by Chambers, Hexter, Fox, Elliott, and Lewis

Each of the first exams will consist of six or seven short essay questions, of which you must answer five (10 points each), and one longer essay question (50 points). The essay question will be selected from a set of three or four questions that will be distributed in advance. The grade for each of the mid-semester exams will count for roughly 25% of the course grade.

The take-home final, which will be due at noon on December 13 (the day for which a final is scheduled for this course), will be divided into two parts. The first part will cover the following material:

- Lectures 17-25
- Lockyer, *Tudor and Stuart Britain*, chapters 5, 7-10.
- Haigh, *English Reformations*, pp. 168-295.
- Martin and Parker, *The Spanish Armada*

The first part will consist of four essay questions of which you must answer two. Each essay will be worth 50 points. The questions will be distributed on Tuesday, November 29. This portion of the final will count for roughly 25% of your course grade.

The second part of the final will be a final essay. The essay will consist of an answer to one of two or three questions that will be distributed on November 29. These essays will be comprehensive, in that they will cover the entire Tudor period. The purpose of the essay will be to develop your thoughts on one of the main developments with which the course is concerned. In preparing your essay you will be expected to draw selectively on

the lectures and required readings. You may also consult additional material, such as the recommended reading, but you will not be required to do so. The grade you receive for the essay or the paper will count for roughly 25% of the course grade.

Make-up exams. Regularly scheduled make-up exams are not given in this course. Students who miss an examination and do not have a legitimate excuse (e.g., a note from a doctor) will receive a failing grade for that examination. Students who have legitimate excuses must notify the instructor by e-mail *before* the exam will be given and should see the instructor the following class day to present written evidence to support their absence and make arrangements for a make-up. All make-ups will be given on Fridays in the room set aside for make-ups in all History courses.

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RECOMMENDED READING:

- J. Guy, *Tudor England* (1991)
 _____, *The Tudor Monarchy* (1997)
 J.R. Lander, *Government and Community: England 1450-1509* (1980)
 C. Ross, *Richard III* (1981)
 P. Williams, *The Tudor Regime* (1989)
 S.B. Chrimes, *Henry VII* (1972)
 M. Bennett, *The Battle of Bosworth* (1985)
 _____, *Lambert Simnel and the Battle of Stoke* (1987)
 G.R. Elton (ed.), *The Tudor Constitution* (1968)
 J.J. Scarisbrick, *Henry VIII* (1968)
 G.R. Elton, *The Tudor Revolution in Government* (1953)
 G.R. Elton, *Policy and Police* (1978)
 C. Coleman and D. Starkey (eds.) *Revolution Reassessed* (1986)
 J.H. Baker, *The Oxford History of the Laws of England, Vol. I: 1483-1558* (2003)
 K.J. Kesselring, *Mercy and Authority in the Tudor State* (2003)
 J. Guy, *The Cardinal's Court: the Impact of Thomas Wolsey in Star Chamber* (1977)
 D. Daniell, *William Tyndale: A Biography* (1994)
 D. MacCulloch, *Thomas Cranmer: A Life* (1996)
 E. Duffy, *The Stripping of the Altars* (1992)
 J.J. Scarisbrick, *The Reformation and the English People* (1984)
 C. Haigh (ed.), *The English Reformation Revised* (1987)
 R. Whiting, *The Blind Devotion of the People* (1989)
 E. Shagan, *Popular Politics and the English Reformation* (2003)
 S.E. Lehmborg, *The Reformation of Cathedrals: Cathedrals in English Society, 1485-1603*.
 1988.
 L. Solt, *Church and State in Early Modern England* (1990)
 C.J. Sommerville, *The Secularization of Early Modern England* (1992)
 A. Fox, *Thomas More: History and Providence* (1983)
 R. Marius, *Thomas More* (1985)

- G. Mattingly, *Catherine of Aragon* (1941)
- E. Ives, *Anne Boleyn* (1986)
- R. Warnicke, *The Rise and Fall of Ann Boleyn* (1989)
- M. Aston, *The King's Bedpost: Reformation and Iconography in a Tudor Group Portrait* (1993)
- A. Fletcher, *Tudor Rebellions* (1968)
- J. Cornwall, *The Revolt of the Peasantry 1549*
- S. Anglo, *Spectacle, Pageantry and Early Tudor Policy*
_____, *Images of Tudor Kingship* (1992).
- R. B. Outhwaite, *Inflation in Tudor and Stuart England* (1969)
- A. Macfarlane, *The Origins of English Individualism: The Family, Property and Social Transition* (1978).
- E. Challis, *The Tudor Coinage* (1978)
- J. Hatcher, *Plague, Population and the English Economy, 1348-1530* (1977)
- R. Porter, *Disease, Medicine and Society in England, 1550-1860* (1987)
- P. Slack. *The Impact of the Plague in Tudor and Stuart England* (1985)
- A. Appleby, *Famine in Tudor and Stuart England* (1978)
- R. H. Tawney, *The Agrarian Problem in the Sixteenth Century* (1971)
- M. Overton, *Agricultural Revolution in England: The Transformation of the Agrarian Economy 1500-1850* (1996)
- J. Thirsk, (ed.). *The Agrarian History of England and Wales IV: 1500-1640* (1967).
- D. C. Coleman, *The Economy of England, 1450-1750* (1977)
- P. Ramsey (ed.), *The Price Revolution in Sixteenth-Century England* (1971)
- W. G. Hoskins, *The Age of Plunder* (1976)
- W. K. Jordan, *Philanthropy in England, 1460-1660* (1959)
- J. Pound, *Poverty and Vagrancy in Tudor England* (1971)
- P. Slack, *Poverty and Policy in Tudor and Stuart England* (1988)
- K. Wrightson, and D. Levine, *Poverty and Piety in an English Village* (1979)
- J. Barry and C. Brooks (eds.), *The Middling Sort of People: Culture, Society and Politics in England, 1550-1800* (1994)
- I. W. Archer, *The Pursuit of Stability: Social Relations in Elizabethan London* (1991)
- D.H. Sacks, *The Widening Gate: Bristol and the Atlantic Economy* (1991)
- R. Brenner, *Merchants and Revolution: Commercial Change, Political Conflict, and London's Overseas Traders, 1550-1653* (1993).
- J. Barry (ed.). *The Tudor and Stuart Town, 1530-1688* (1990)
- P. Clark, and P. Slack, *English Towns in Transition, 1500-1700* (1976)
- L. Pollock, *Forgotten Children: Parent-Child Relations from 1500 to 1900* (1983)
- L. Stone, *The Family, Sex and Marriage in England, 1500-1800* (1977)
- S. Amussen, *An Ordered Society: Gender and Class in Early Modern England* (1988)
- L. Gowing, *Domestic Dangers: Women, Words, and Sex in Early Modern London* (1998)
- A. Erickson, *Women and Property in Early Modern England* (1993)
- A. Fletcher, *Gender, Sex and Subordination in England, 1550-1800* (1995)
- S. Mendelson and P. Crawford, *Women in Early Modern England* (1998)
- J. Bennett, *Ale, Beer and Brewsters in England* (1999)
- P. Crawford, *Women and Religion in England 1500-1720* (1993)
- B. J. Harris, *English Aristocratic Women, 1450-1550* (2002)
- K. Thomas, *Religion and the Decline of Magic* (1971)
- J. Sharpe, *Instruments of Darkness* (1991)

- B. Levack, *The Witch-Hunt in Early Modern Europe* (1995)
- D. Cressy, *Agnes Bowker's Cat: Travesties and Transgressions in Tudor and Stuart England* (2000)
- K. Thomas, *Man and the Natural World* (1983)
- R. Tittler and J. Loach, *The Mid-Tudor Polity c. 1540-1560* (1980)
- M. L. Bush, *The Government Policy of Protector Somerset* (1975).
- W. K. Jordan, *Edward VI: The Young King* (1968)
 _____, *Edward VI: The Threshold of Power* (1970)
- J. Loach, *Parliament and the Crown in the Reign of Mary Tudor* (1986).
- R. Tittler, *The Reign of Mary I* (1983).
- D.M. Loades, *The Reign of Mary Tudor* (1991)
- S. Frye, *Elizabeth I: The Competition for Representation* (1993).
- S. Doran, *Monarchy and Matrimony: The Courtships of Elizabeth I* (1996).
- J. Guy, *The Reign of Elizabeth I: Court and Culture in the Last Decade* (1995).
- H. Hackett, *Virgin Mother, Maiden Queen: Elizabeth I and the Cult of the Virgin Mary* (1995)
- C. Haigh (ed.), *The Reign of Elizabeth I* (1987).
- L. Hopkins, *Elizabeth I and her Court* (1990)
- C. Levin, *"The Heart and Stomach of a King": Elizabeth I and the Politics of Sex and Power* (1994).
- J.M. Walker, *Dissing Elizabeth: Negative Representations of Gloriana* (1998)
- M. Levine, *The Early Elizabethan Succession Question, 1558-1568* (1966)
- D. Dean, *Law-Making and Society in Late Elizabethan England: The Parliament of England, 1584-1601* (1996)
- W. MacCaffrey, *Elizabeth I: War and Politics, 1588-1603*, 1992.
 _____, *Queen Elizabeth and the Making of Policy, 1572-1588*. Princeton, 1981.
 _____, *The Shaping of the Elizabethan Regime* (1968).
- J. E. Neale, *Elizabeth I* (1934)
 _____, *The Elizabethan House of Commons* (1949)
 _____, *Elizabeth I and her Parliaments*. 2 vols. (1953, 1958)
- F. Yates, *Astraea: The Imperial Theme in the Sixteenth Century* (1975).
- L.B. Smith, *Treason in Tudor England: Politics and Paranoia* (1986).
- M.M. Knappen, *Tudor Puritanism* (1939)
- P. Collinson, *The Elizabethan Puritan Movement* (1967)
- J. Bossy, *The English Catholic Community* (1975)
- R. Strong, *The Cult of Elizabeth* (1977)
- C. Platt, *The Great Rebuilding of Tudor and Stuart England* (1994)
- J. Summerson. *Architecture in Britain, 1530 to 1830*. 5th ed. (1969)
- R. Tittler, *Architecture and Power The Town Hall and the English Urban Community, c. 1500-1640* (1991).
- N. Matar, *Turks, Moors and Englishmen in the Age of Discovery* (1999)
- K. R. Andrews, *Elizabethan Privateering* (1964).
- R. B. Wernham, *Before the Armada: The Emergence of the English Nation, 1485-1588*. (1966).
 _____, *After the Armada: Elizabethan England and the Struggle for Western Europe, 1588-1595* (1983).
- G. Mattingly, *The Armada* (1959)
- D. Howarth. *The Voyage of the Armada: The Spanish Story* (1981)

