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**Grande Prairie Regional College
History 1110
The Early Modern World
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This course is designed as an introductory survey of "global history". It covers the major political, cultural, intellectual and economic developments of the world from the 15th century through the 18th century. Its goal is to provide a foundation for advanced study in history and related fields.

Basic Required Readings:

Phillip J. Adler, World Civilizations Vol. II (1996)

David McComb (ed.), World History 1500 to the Present Vol. II (4th edition, 1996)

Additional readings may be assigned and be placed on reserve in the LRC.

Requirements and Grading:

- I) Mid - term exam: written on Oct. 15 - 30%
- II) Major essay (approx. 2000 words in length): due Nov. 10 - 40%
- III) End of term exam (written in Dec) - 30%

Late essays will be penalized one stanine grade for each week they are late unless there is a compelling reason for the tardiness

Topics and Schedule

Sept.

3 Introduction

8 Europe in Transition: The Renaissance

Readings: Adler, Chap. 27.

10 Europe in Transition: The Reformation

Readings: Adler, Chap. 29; World History (WH), Article 1

15 Europe in Transition: The Counter Reformation

17 Europe in Transition: Economic Growth and Voyages of Discovery

Readings: Adler, Chap. 28; WH, Article 14.

21 The New World: Spain and its Rivals in the Americas Part I

Readings: WH, Articles 15 and 16.

23 The New World: Spain and its Rivals in the Americas Part II

Readings: WH, Article 17

25 Trans Atlantic Connections: Africa and the Slave Trade

Readings: WH, Article 18

29 The Hapsburg Empire: Charles V and Phillip II of Spain

Oct. 1 The Rise of Parliamentary Power in England

Readings: Adler, Chap. 30

6 Absolute Monarchy in France

8 The Thirty Years War and the Germanies

Readings: Adler, Chap. 31

13 Colonial Rivalries in the 1600 and 1700's

Readings: Chap. 33

15 Mid - term test

20 The Emergence of Russia

Readings: Review Chap. 31

22 Europe and the Middle East

Readings: Adler, Chap. 42

27 Europe and Asia

Readings: Adler, Chap. 40 and 41; WH, Article 19

29 Europe's Old Regime: A Social Overview Part I

Nov. 3 Europe's Old Regime: A Social Overview Part II

5 The Enlightenment: The Scientific Revolution

Readings: Adler, Chap. 32

10 The Enlightenment: The Philosophes (Essay due)

Readings: WH, Article 2

17 The French Revolution Part I

Readings: Adler, Chapter 34 (Also review Chap. 33)

19 The French Revolution Part II

Readings: WH, Article 4

24 Napoleonic Rule Part I

Readings: Adler, Chap. 35

26 Napoleonic Rule Part II

Dec. 1 The Emergence of a New Europe.

3 Review and Recapitulation