

HONORS 1023:

Spring, 2015

1. Instructor: Doren Recker Office Hours:
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2. Description: Honors 1023 is an interdisciplinary, team-taught Humanities course covering central themes within the art, philosophy, literature, drama and history of Western culture during the Medieval & Early Renaissance periods.

3. Requirements: Students will be expected to attend class regularly, read the assignments *ON TIME (!)*, and participate in class discussions. Individual grades will be based on the following...

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| (a) 4 short [3-4 pp.] papers on assigned topics, each worth 100 pts. <i>Late papers will be docked 1 letter grade/day.</i> | [400 pts] |
| (b) In-class Midterm Examination, predominantly essay format (cf. daily schedule for date) | [100 pts] |
| (c) In-class comprehensive Final Examination, predominantly essay format (cf. daily schedule for date) | [200 pts] |
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| <u>700 pts</u> | |

4. Grading: A student's final grade will be based on his/her average at the end of the semester [90-100% = A; 80-89% = B, etc.

5. Attendance: Attendance will be taken regularly, both in small group discussions, and in large joint-sessions. *After 3 unexcused absences, a student will be docked 7 pts.* (1 percentage point) from his/her final point total for each additional unexcused absence.

'Good Attendance' (3 or fewer unexcused absences during the semester) will be used to determine borderline cases (final percentages within 1% of the next higher grade...89%; 79%, etc.). That is,...in such cases, a student *with* 'good attendance' will receive the higher grade, a student *without* good attendance will not.

6. Class Participation: Regular, active participation in class discussions will also be used to determine borderline cases. The instructor reserves the right to count this participation for as much as 1%. That is, *after* good or bad attendance is applied to determine a student's final point total, the instructor may elect to add or subtract *up to 7* additional points for active class participation *or* a noticeable *lack* of class participation (lesser numbers of points are also possible). This decision is irrevocably in the hands of the instructor. It is a *reward* or a *penalty* based on class participation, *not* automatic (not a 'right').

7. Plagiarism: See the 'OSU POLICIES' info on D2L for Academic Misconduct policies. I will, push for the harshest penalties if you are caught plagiarizing or cheating in any way. **You have been warned!**

