

## History 104: Western Heritage (Fall 2009)

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This course focuses on the development of political cultures in Western Europe before 1600. Its purpose is to acquaint students with the historical roots of the Western heritage and to explore the ways in which modern man is indebted to Greco-Roman culture and the Judeo-Christian tradition.

### Readings:

*Western Heritage: A Reader.*

Marvin Perry, *Western Civilization: A Brief History*, 6<sup>th</sup> ed.

Bring your *Reader* to class with you every day.

You will write three papers and three exams for the course. There may be occasional quizzes. Exams will determine half of your grade for the course, papers will determine the other half. Class participation and quiz performance will be a final factor in the determination of your course grade.

Reading assignments will be given at the conclusion of each class.

Read *carefully*. Make sure that you *think* about what you read, that you understand the author's argument, his purpose, his words. Raise any and all questions that you have about the reading at the beginning of class.