History 3010
Reading lists for exam field preparations in
Early modern France and
Early modern intellectual and cultural history
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This document offers a master reading list from which students will draw up individualized (and much shorter!) reading lists in preparing exams in two different but overlapping graduate fields in history--known in the books as France 1461-1789 and Intellectual History of Western and Central Europe 1500-1800 and which I call early modern France and early modern European intellectual and cultural history. As this joint document suggests, I typically combine the students preparing these two fields into one group which meets 13 times for two hours (once every other week over two semesters or once per week during one semester if I am on leave in one semester that year). The discussion at each session is split about evenly between material relevant to each of the two fields (when they are distinct).

Some weeks' readings are clearly divided into two tracks--early modern intellectual cultural and early modern France--but in many weeks the syllabus is common to both tracks, or with an additional set of readings for the French angle. Students will form their personal reading lists for their general exam field by selecting from and adding to the readings for each week according to their interests; borrowings from the other track are always welcome. The majority of the readings are secondary sources; if you have no experience with primary sources in these areas, please familiarize yourself with some of the primary sources on the list (these are highlighted) or others that we agree on. Starred items are particularly important. Please read the starred items relevant to your track and 1-3 other items which can be read more cursorily; students will learn about further books on the list through hearing the reports from others in the group. Meetings will be run as discussions, with students responsible for oral presentations on one or more books at each session. Please bring the books you report on to the meeting (insofar as possible). Feedback is always welcome!
GENERAL REFERENCE

Early modern intellectual history:
Cambridge History of Renaissance Philosophy (1988); includes two useful appendices: brief entries on Renaissance thinkers and on the rediscovery of ancient authors. Cambridge History of Seventeenth-Century Philosophy (1998)

Early modern French history
Lucien Bely, Dictionnaire de l'Ancien Régime: royaume de France XVle-XVIIIe (1996)

Early modern European general history
Handbook of European History 1400-1600, ed. Thomas Brady, Heiko Oberman and James Tracy
Longman Handbook of Early Modern Europe, 1453-1763 (2001)
Euan Cameron, Early Modern Europe: an Oxford History (1999)
Merry Wiesner-Hanks, Early Modern Europe 1450-1789 (2006)
Robin Briggs, Oxford history of Europe (1999)
Geoffrey Parker, Europe in Crisis 1598-1648 (2nd ed 2001)
Fernand Braudel, The Mediterranean and the Mediterranean World in the Age of Philip II (1972)

Textbooks in French history
Frederic Baumgartner, France in the sixteenth century (1995)

Textbooks for other countries:
J.H. Elliott, Imperial Spain 1469-1716 (1963)
Henry Kamen, Spain 1469-1714 (3rd ed 2005)
Henry Kamen, "The decline of Spain: an historical myth?" Past and Present (1978)
Hajo Holborn, A history of modern Germany (1982); vol 1: the Reformation; vol 2: 1648-1840
Gregory Hanlon, Early Modern Italy 1550-1800 (2000)
Professional resources
International Society for Intellectual history (ISIH)
Journal of the History of Ideas
www.fas.harvard.edu/~earlymod
Sixteenth Century Studies
Renaissance Society of America
French Historical Studies
SESSION I : HISTORIOGRAPHY

General: Companion to Western Historical Thought, ed Lloyd Krane and Sarah Maza (2002); articles on microhistory, histoire totale etc.

EARLY MODERN INTELLECTUAL
Donald Kelley, "What is Happening to the History of Ideas?" Journal of the History of Ideas (1990)-
*Robert Darnton, "Intellectual and cultural history" in his The Kiss of Lamourette (1990)
Dominick Lacapra, Rethinking Intellectual History: Texts, Contexts, Language (1983)

Skinner school:
James Tully, Meaning and context: Quentin Skinner and his Critics (1988)

Cultural history
Ginzburg, "The Inquisitor as Anthropologist" in his Clues, Myths and the Historical method (1992), pp. 156-164
*Peter Burke, What is Cultural History? (2004); Varieties of Cultural History (1997)

EARLY MODERN EUROPE (in common)
Jack Goldstone, "The problem of the 'early modern' world," Journal of Economic and Social History of the Orient (1998)--on the applicability of "early modern" beyond Europe

FRANCE
Early modern France
*Peter Burke, French historical revolution: the Annales School 1929-89 (S)(1990)
Stuart Clark, ed. The Annales School. Critical assessments, 4 vols. e.g. vol. 1 Lynn Hunt "Rise and Fall of the Annales Paradigm" (vols. 1-2 on general issues; vol. 3 on Braudel; vol. 4 on specific historians, e.g. Febvre, Bloch, Goubert) (1999)
Browse one of these classics of histoire totalePierre Goubert, Beauvais et le Beauvaisis (1960)
Pierre Deyon, Amiens, capitale provinciale (1967)
Biographies of annales historians:
Georges Duby, History continues (Histoire continue) (1997)
French national identity:
Pierre Nora, Realms of Memory vol 1 (conflict and divisions), e.g. Chartier on St-Malo-Geneva line; vol. 2 (traditions): on specific books and monuments
David Bell, The Cult of the nation in France: inventing nationalism 1680-1800 (2001)
Peter Sahlins, Unnaturally French: foreign citizens in the Old Regime and after (2004); see also his Boundaries on the Pyrenees (1659-1870)--under Louis XIV.
SESSION II INTELLECTUAL HISTORY: ARISTOTELIANISM AND THE UNIVERSITIES

Medieval background
Colish, Marcia, Medieval Foundations of the Western Intellectual Tradition (1997)
Jacques Verger, Men of Learning in Europe at the End of the Middle Ages (2000)
The Medieval theologians, ed. G.R. Evans (2001)
F. Wippel, "The condemnations of 1270 and 1277" Journal of medieval and Renaissance studies (1977)
**Primary**: Condemnations of 1210 and 1277 in Edward Grant, A Sourcebook in Medieval Science, pp. 42-50.

Early modern universities
Laurence Brockliss, French Higher Education in the 17th and 18th centuries (1987)

Renaissance Aristotelianism
SESSION II FRENCH HISTORY: SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC STRUCTURES OF EARLY MODERN FRANCE

*Pierre Goubert, Ancien Regime (1969): intro and primary sources

**Peasants**
Jonathan Dewald and Liana Vardi, "The peasants of France 1400-1789" in Tom Scott ed., The Peasantries of Europe from 14th to 18th Ct (1998)
OR Pierre Goubert, French Peasantry in the Seventeenth Century (1986)

**Family and demographic history**
Jean Louis Flandrin, Families in Former Times: kinship, household, and sexuality (1979)
Philippe Ariès, Centuries of Childhood (1962)
Browse Louis Henry, Manuel de démographie historique (1967)

**Urban history**
Orest Ranum, Paris in the Age of Absolutism (1968)

**Nobility--robe and sword**
Ellery Schalk, From Valor to Pedigree: Ideas of Nobility in France in the 16th and 17th Centuries (1986)
Jonathan Dewald, Aristocratic Experience and the Origins of Modern Culture in France 1500 to 1715 (1993)
George Huppert, Le bourgeois gentilhomme: an essay on the definition of elites in Renaissance France, (1977)
Davis Bitton, The French Nobility in Crisis 1560-1640 (1969)

**Primary**
Loyseau, Charles A Treatise of Orders and Plain Dignities (1994).
SESSION III INTELLECTUAL: RENAISSANCE HUMANISM

*Charles Nauert, Humanism and the Culture of Renaissance Europe (1995)
Ronald Witt, In the footsteps of the ancients: the origins of humanism from Lovato to Bruni (2000).

FOR REFERENCE

Baron Thesis
Hans Baron, "Leonardo Bruni: 'Professional Rhetorician' or 'Civic Humanist'?" Past and Present 36 (1967): 21-37

Humanist education
Robert Black, Humanism and education in medieval and Renaissance Italy (2001)
Grafton and Jardine, From Humanism to the Humanities (1986)
Paul Grendler, Schooling in Renaissance Italy: literacy and learning 1300-1600 (1989)

Humanism and natural history
Paula Findlen, Possessing Nature: museums, collecting and scientific culture in early modern Italy (1994)

Renaissance philosophy: Platonism and anti-Aristotelianism
James Hankins, Plato in the Renaissance (1994)
Brian Copenhaver and Charles Schmitt, Renaissance Philosophy (1992)
*Kristeller, Eight philosophers of the Italian Renaissance (1964)
Cassirer et al eds., Renaissance Philosophy of Man: primary source selections in translation
Hilary Gatti, Giordano Bruno and Renaissance Science (1999)

Northern humanism--esp. Erasmus
James Tracy, *Erasmus* (1972) and *The Politics of Erasmus* (1979)
Margaret Mann Phillips, *Erasmus and the Northern Renaissance* (1949) [easy biography]
Bruce Mansfield, *Phoenix of his Age: interpretations of Erasmus 1550-1750* (1979)
SESSION III FRANCE: FRENCH RENAISSANCE MONARCHY

French humanism
Augustin Renaudet, Préréforme et humanisme à Paris pendant les premières guerres d'Italie (1494-1517) (1916)
Gerald Sandy, The classical heritage in France (2002)
Grafton on Guillaume Budé in Commerce with the Classics (1995).
primary: Budé, "On establishing the study of letters" and Rabelais, from Gargantua and Pantagruel, in The Northern Renaissance, ed. Lewis Spitz, pp. 48-72.

French Renaissance kingship
J. Russell Major, From Renaissance Monarchy to Absolute Monarchy: French kings, nobles and estates (1994)
---, Society and Institutions in Early Modern France (1991)

Rituals and culture
Ralph Giesey, Royal Funeral Ceremony in Renaissance France (1960)
Lawrence Bryant, The King and the City in the Parisian Royal Entry Ceremony: Politics, Ritual and Art in the Renaissance (1986).
Michael Wintroub, A savage mirror: power, identity and knowledge in early modern France (2006)

Monarchs
Anne-Marie Lecoq, François Ier imaginaire (1987)

FOR REFERENCE
Ernst H. Kantorowicz, The King's Two Bodies: A study in Mediaeval Political Theology. (1957)
Marc Bloch, The Royal Touch: monarchy and miracles in France and England (1961, tr'n of Roi thaumaturge)
Gaston Zeller, Les institutions de la France au 16e siècle (1948)
SESSION IV : PRINTING (in common)

*session held at Houghton Library*

**Beginnings and impact of printing:**
*Lucien Febvre and Henri-Jean Martin, The Coming of the Book (1976)*
Rudolf Hirsch, Printing, Selling and Reading 1450-1550 (1967)
Adrian Johns, The Nature of the Book, introduction (for a shortcut to this book, see the selection by Adrian Johns in The Book History Reader, ed. David Finkelstein and Alistair McCleery)
*AHR Forum: Eisenstein and Adrian Johns in American History Review (Feb 2002)*

**Book culture**
*Roger Chartier, The Order of Books: readers, authors and libraries in Europe form fourteenth to eighteenth century (1994)*
Guglielmo Cavallo and Roger Chartier, eds A History of Reading in the West, esp. chs. on early modern
Peter Burke, A social history of knowledge (2000)

**Books and Enlightenment**

for more references, consult reading lists for Hist 1318 and for the exam field in History of the Book, accessible from my website
SESSION V: REFORMATIONS

*James Tracy, Europe's Reformations, 1450-1650 (1999)

LUTHERANISM (intellectual/cultural)
*Steven Ozment, The Age of Reform 1250-1550: an intellectual and religious history of late medieval and reformation Europe (1980)
---. The Reformation in the Cities (1975).
The German Reformation (1986), For the Sake of Simple Folk (1994).
Bernd Moeller, Imperial cities and the Reformation: three cities (1972)
Thomas Tentler, Sin and Confession on the Eve of the Reformation (1977)

ENGLAND--a few pointers (intellectual/cultural)
Richard Rex, Henry VIII and the English Reformation (Palgrave, 2005)

CATHOLICISM (in common)
*R. Hsia, World of Catholic Renewal (1998)
Jean Delumeau, Catholicism Between Luther and Voltaire: a new view of the counter-reformation. (1977)
John O'Malley, Trent and All That; renaming Catholicism in the early modern era (2000)
Peter Burke, "How to become a Counter-Reformation Saint" in The Counter-Reformation: The Essential Readings, ed. David M Luebke (1999)
Gigliola Fragnito ed., Church, censorship and culture in early modern Italy (2001)

CALVINISM (in common)
David Steinmetz, Calvin in context (1995)
François Wendel, Calvin: origins and development of his religious thought (1987)
Philip Benedict, Christ's Churches purely reformed: a social history of Calvinism (2002)
Robert Kingdon, *Geneva and the Coming of the Wars of Religion in France, 1555-1563* (1956);
*Geneva and the Consolidation of the French Protestant Movement, 1564-1572.* (1967)

**FRANCE**

*Mark Greengrass, The French Reformation*

Philip Hoffman, *Church and Community in the Diocese of Lyon, 1500-1784* (1984)
Francis Higman, *Censorship and the Sorbonne* (1979)
SESSION VI: SCEPTICAL CRISIS AND WARS OF RELIGION

SCEPTICISM, LIBERTINISM, "ATHEISM" (intellectual)
*Richard Popkin, History of skepticism from Erasmus to Spinoza (1979)
*Alan Kors, Atheism in France 1650-1729 (1990)

Rabelais and the problem of unbelief (in common)
*Lucien Febvre, The problem of unbelief in the 16th-century, the religion of Rabelais (1942; 1982, English); a classic to browse
Michael Hunter and David Wootton eds., Atheism from Renaissance to Enlightenment (1992)

HISTORICAL THOUGHT
primary: Bodin, Method for the easy comprehension of history, chs 1-3 and browse the rest

POLITICAL THEORY (in common)
*Quentin Skinner, The Foundations of Modern Political Thought (1978), vol. 2, part 3 (on Calvinist resistance theory); the rest is excellent too, to read depending on your interests
Jean Bodin, Six Books of the Commonwealth (1576, Latin 1586; English 1606), facsimile of 1995 includes best biographical overview by Kenneth MacRae; also English abridgment by Tooley.
Gerhard Oestreich, Neostoicism and the early modern state (1982)
William F. Church, Richelieu and Reason of State (1973)
J.H. Burns ed., The Cambridge history of political thought 1450-1700 (1991). e.g. article by Peter Burke on tacitism.

MONTAIGNE (in common)
I.D. MacFarlane and Ian Maclean, eds Montaigne: essays in memory of Richard Sayce--useful introduction to Montaigne
George Hoffmann, Montaigne's Career
primary source: Essays to the reader, I, 31 (Of cannibals); II, 11 (Of cruelty); II, 32 (Defense of Seneca and Plutarch); III, 6 (Of coaches); III, 11 (Of cripples).
FRANCE: WARS OF RELIGION

Brad Gregory, Salvation at Stake: Christian martyrdom in early modern Europe (1999)
Barbara Diefendorf, Beneath the Cross: Catholics and Huguenots in 16th-century Paris (1991)
Philip Benedict, Rouen during the Wars of Religion. (1981)
SESSION VII : POPULAR CULTURE (in common)

*Peter Burke, Popular Culture in Early Modern Europe (1978)
Carlo Ginzburg, The Cheese and the Worms: the cosmos of a 16th century Miller (1980); review by Sam Cohn, Journal of Interdisciplinary History (1982); primary source: Domenico Scandella, known as Menocchio: his trials before the Inquisition (1996)
*Natalie Zemon Davis, Society and culture in early modern France (select two articles; themes includes gender, printing, religion)

Witchcraft
*Brian Levack, The witch-hunt in early modern Europe (1987) (S)
Keith Thomas, Religion and the Decline of Magic (1972)
(??) Robin Briggs, Witches and neighbors: the social and cultural context of European witchcraft (1996)
Jonathan Klaits, Servants of Satan: the age of witch hunts (1985)
Bengt Ankarloo ed., Early Modern European Witchcraft: centres and peripheries (1990)--good geographical diversity

Popular print culture
Roger Chartier, ed. The Cultural uses of print in Early Modern France (1987)
Geneviève Bollème, La bibliothèque bleue: litterature populaire en France du XVIIe au XIXe siecle. (1971)

Literacy
R.A. Houston, Literacy in early modern Europe: culture and education 1500-1800 (1988)
David Cressy, Literacy and the social order: reading and writing in Tudor and Stuart England (1980); or "Literacy in Context: meaning and measurement in early modern England," in John Brewer and Roy Porter eds., Consumption and the World of Goods
Istvan Toth, Literacy and Written Culture in early modern central Europe (2000)

Gender:
SESSION VIII INTELLECTUAL: SCIENTIFIC REVOLUTION

General:
Cambridge History of Early Modern Science (2006)-- including (among many other articles) *Ann Blair, "Natural philosophy"
Ann Blair "Science and Religion," forthcoming in Cambridge History of Christianity (typescript)
Roy Porter, ed., The Scientific Revolution in national context
Steven Shapin, The Scientific Revolution
Peter Dear, Revolutionizing the Sciences (2001)

On "revolution" and the history of science:

Copernicus to Newton
Thomas Kuhn, The Structure of Scientific Revolution (1962)
--- "Mathematical vs experimental traditions in the development of physical science" in The Essential Tension (1977)
*Kuhn. The Copernican revolution (1957), ch 5 on Copernicus' innovation; primary Copernicus, preface to De revolutionibus (tr Edward Rosen)
Rob Iliffe, Newton, a very short introduction (forthcoming as of 2006)
Richard Blackwell, Galileo, Bellarmine and the Bible (1991)

Bacon and Baconianism
---. English Scientific Virtuosi in the 16th and 17th centuries (UCLA, 1979)
Steven Shapin, A Social History of Truth (1994)
Charles Webster, The Great Instauration (1975); summary version in his article in God and Nature, ed. Lindberg and Numbers
Stephen Gaukroger, Francis Bacon and the Transformation of Early Modern Philosophy (2001)
Cambridge Companion to Bacon (1996)

Life sciences
Nancy G Siraisi, Medieval and early Renaissance medicine: an introduction to knowledge and
practice (1990)
SESSION VIII FRANCE: ABSOLUTISM UNDER LOUIS XIII

William F. Church, Richelieu and Reason of State (1973)
Elizabeth Marvick, Louis XIII: the Making of a King (1986) [psychohistory]
Geoffrey Treasure, Richelieu and Mazarin (1998)
Joseph Bergin ed., Richelieu and his age (1992)
Sharon Kettering, Patrons, Brokers and Clients in 17th-century France (1986)
Sara Melzer and Kathryn Norberg eds., From the royal to the republican body: incorporating the political in 17th and 18th ct France (1998)
Jeffrey Sawyer, Printed poison: printed propaganda, faction politics and the public sphere in early 17th-century France (1990)

Taxes and finances

Resistances to absolutism
*Yves-Marie Bercé, The History of peasant revolts (1990)

Beyond France
Perez Zagorin, Rebels and Rulers 1500-1660 (1982)
H.G. Koenigsberger, Estates and revolutions (1971)
Geoffrey Parker, The Thirty Years' War (2nd ed 1997); Empire, war and faith in early modern Europe (2002)
John H Elliott, "A Europe of composite monarchies" Past and present (1992), pp. 48-71
J. H. Elliott, The Revolt of the Catalans
I.A.A.Thompson and Barleme Yun Casalilla, The Castilian Crisis of the 17th ct (1994)
Thomas Dandelet, Spanish Rome, 1500-1700 (2001)
Garrett Mattingly, Renaissance Diplomacy (1955)

The Fronde—a revolution?
Christian Jouhau, Mazarinades: la Fronde des mots (1985)
SESSION IX: 17TH CENTURY CULTURE (in common)

New institutions--academies
Roger Hahn, The anatomy of a scientific institution: the Paris Academy of Sciences, 1666-1803 (1971)
Daniel Roche, Le siecle des lumieres en province: academies et academiciens provinciaux 1680-1789 (1978)

New institutions--salons
Carolyn Lougee, Le paradis des femmes: women, salons and social stratification in 17th ct France (1976)
Elizabeth Goldsmith, Exclusive conversations: the art of interaction in 17th century France (1988)

Descartes and Cartesianism
*Cambridge Companion to Descartes: articles by Roger Ariew (Descartes' life in context) and Nicholas Jolley (reception of Descartes)
Desmond Clarke, Descartes: a biography (2006)
Stephen Gaukroger, Descartes: an intellectual biography (1997)
Thomas Lennon, Battle of the Gods and the Giants (on gassendists vs cartesians) (1993)
Roger Ariew, Descartes and the last scholastics (1999) [difficult!]
Erica Harth, Cartesian women: versions and subversions of rational discourse in the old regime (1992)

Other science:
Peter Dear, Mersenne and the Learning of the Schools (1988)
Peter N. Miller, Peiresc's Europe: Learning and Virtue in the 17th century (2000)

Primary:
*Descartes, Discourse on Method
Fontenelle, Conversations on the plurality of worlds

Jansenism
Primary Blaise Pascal, Pensées, best English edition is by Roger Ariew (Hackett, 2005)
William Doyle, Jansenism: Catholic resistance to authority from the Reformation to the French revolution (2000)
Lucien Goldmann, The Hidden God (1964)--on Racine and Pascal [a classic, but dated]
French classical literature

primary: Corneille, le Cid; Molière, Tartuffe (among many others)
René Pintard, Le libertinage érudit (1943)
John Lough, Seventeenth-century French drama: the background (1979)
Alain Viala, La naissance de l'écrivain: la sociologie de la littérature à l'âge classique (1985)
Marc Fumaroli, L'âge de l'éloquence: rhétorique et "res litteraria" de la Renaissance au seuil de l'époque classique (1980)
C.E.J. Caldicott, La carrière de Molière (1998)
André LeGall, Pierre Corneille en son temps et en son oeuvre (1997)
Hélène Merlin, Public et littérature en France au XVIIe (1994)
for reference: Antoine Adam, L'âge classique (3 vols). (1968 -)

CONTACT WITH OTHER CULTURES

Frank Lestringant, Mapping the Renaissance World (1994), Le huguenot et le sauvage (1990)
Anthony Pagden, European Encounters with the New World, from Renaissance to Romanticism (2003)


Walter Mignolo, "On the Colonization of Amerindian Languages and Memories: Renaissance Theories of Writing and the Discontinuity of the Classical Tradition, Comparative Studies in Society and History 34 (1992), 301-30

New France
Marcel Trudel, The beginnings of New France 1524-1663 (1973)
Allan Greer, The People of New France (1997)

China
Michael Ryan, "Assimilating new worlds in the 16 and 17th ct" Comparative studies in society and history (1981), 519-36
David Mungello, Curious land: Jesuit accommodation and the origins of sinology (1989)

Overseas expansion:
Ralph Davis, The Rise of the Atlantic Economies (1973)
J. H. Parry, Trade and Dominion: the European overseas empires in the 18th century (1996)
Glenn Ames, Colbert, mercantilism and the quest for Asian trade (1996)
Anthony Pagden, Lords of all the world: ideologies of empire in Spain, Britain and France ca 1500-1800 (1995)
SESSION X INTELLECTUAL: PRE-ENLIGHTENMENT AND THE HAZARD THESIS
*Paul Hazard, The European Mind, 1680–1715 (1935; 1953 in English), only chs. 1-4
Lewis Beck, Early German Philosophy: Kant and his predecessors (1969) [starts in late Middle Ages]

Quarrel of ancients and moderns
La querelle des anciens et des modernes, ed. Anne-Marie Lecoq (2001): primary sources and a long preface by Marc Fumaroli.
Joseph Levine, Battle of the Books: History and literature of the Augustan Age (1991)

Origins of Enlightenment:
Alan Kors ed., Anticipations of Enlightenment in England, France and Germany, esp. article by
*Elisabeth Labrousse, "Reading Pierre Bayle in Paris"
Primary: Pierre Bayle, Historical and Critical Dictionary
Fontenelle, Conversations on the Plurality of Worlds

Biblical Criticism:
Richard Popkin, "Spinoza and biblical criticism" in Cambridge Companion to Spinoza
Hans W. Frei, The eclipse of biblical narrative: a study in 18th and 19th century hermeneutics (1974) [unusually difficult!]
Peter Byrne, Natural religion and the nature of religion: the legacy of deism (1981)

Political thought
Richard Tuck, Natural rights theories: their origin and development (1979)
Cambridge Companion to Locke (1994)

On Leibniz:
classic study by Couturat (1901); Cambridge Companion to Leibniz (1995)
Leroy Loemker, Struggle for synthesis: the 17th century background of Leibniz's synthesis of order and freedom (1972)
SESSION X FRANCE: LOUIS XIV

*Geoffrey Treasure, Louis XIV (Longman 2001) OR
Pierre Goubert, Louis XIV and Twenty Million Frenchmen (1966- French, 1970- English) [general history, esp. political]
*Peter Burke, The Fabrication of Louis XIV (1992)
Nancy Mitford, The Sun King (1966)
William Beik, Absolutism and society in 17th century France: state power and provincial aristocracy in Languedoc (1985)
Emmanuel Le Roy Ladurie, Saint-Simon and the court of Louis XIV (2001)
John Jeter Hurt, Louis XIV and the Parlements: the Assertion of Royal Authority (2002)

Primary: Saint-Simon, Memoirs

Military revolution:
Brian Downing, The Military Revolution and political change (1992)

Court society—Elias and his critics
Roger Chartier (in praise of Elias), in prefaces to Elias' works reprinted in On the Edge of the Cliff (1997)
Critiques:

Culture
Marc Fumaroli, The Poet and the king: Jean de La Fontaine and his century (2002)
Louis Marin, Portrait of the King (1988)
SESSION XI: ENLIGHTENMENT I (in common)

*Dorinda Outram, The Enlightenment
Norman Hampson, The Enlightenment (1968)
Roy Porter, The Enlightenment (2001) [only 90pp!]

edited volumes:
Dale van Kley and James Bradley eds., Religion and politics in Enlightenment Europe (2001)

Early Modern France general history:
Colin Jones, The Great Nation: France from Louis XV to Napoleon (2002)
William Doyle, The Ancien Regime (2001)
Peter Campbell, Power and Politics in Old Regime France 1720-45 (1996)
Steven Kaplan, Provisioning Paris: merchants and millers in the grain and flour trade during the 18th ct (1984)

Toward the French Revolution (brief pointers):

General French Enlightenment:
William Doyle, Enlightenment and revolution: essays in honor of Norman Hampson (2002)
Darnton "Social history of ideas" in his The Kiss of Lamourette (1990) (historiographical overview)
Daniel Roche, France in the Enlightenment (1998); Le siècle des Lumières en province (1978)

General non-French Enlightenment
Roy Porter, Enlightenment: Britain and the creation of the modern world (2000)
Ian Hunter, Rival Enlightenments: civil and metaphysical philosophy in early modern Germany (2001)
Frederick Beiser, The fate of reason: German philosophy from Kant to Fichte (1987)
Barbara Becker-Cantarino, German literature of the eighteenth century: enlightenment and sensibility (2005)
Benjamin Redekop, Enlightenment and Community: Lessing, Abbt and Herder and the quest for a German public (2000)

**Individual thinkers I:**

**Voltaire**
*Voltaire, Letters on England*
Haydn Mason, *Voltaire, a biography*

**Montesquieu**
SESSION XII: ENLIGHTENMENT II (in common)

*Kant, "What is Enlightenment?" (1784)

Postmodernism and Enlightenment:
Keith Michael Baker and Peter Hanns Reill, What's Left of Enlightenment, a postmodern question (2001)
primary sources: Foucault, Madness and Civilization; Horkheimer and Adorno, Dialectic of Enlightenment
Daniel Gordon, "Philosophy, Sociology and Gender in the Enlightenment Conception of Public Opinion, French Historical studies 1992, 17:4, p. 882-911. This is a special issue on the public sphere.
Noel Malcolm on the public sphere?

Religion:
Carl Becker, The Heavenly City of the Eighteenth-Century Philosophers (1932)
G. Cragg, the Church and the age of reason (1960)
Frank Manuel, The Eighteenth Century Confronts the Gods (1959)
Ole Grell, ed, Toleration in enlightenment Europe (2000)
Abraham Anderson ed., The treatise of the three impostors and the problem of the Enlightenment (1997)
J.B. Bury, The idea of progress: an inquiry into its origin and growth (1932)

History of sciences and social sciences:
Mary Terrall, The Man who flattened the earth: Maupertuis and the science in the enlightenment (2002)
François de Gandt, Cirey dans la vie intellectuelle: réception de Newton en France (2001)
Charles Gillispie, Science and Polity in France at the end of the Old Regime (1980)
Terence Glacken, Traces on the Rhodian shore: nature and culture in western thought (1967)
Anthony Pagden, The Fall of Natural Man (1982); "18th-century anthropology and the 'history of mankind,'" in Donald Kelley ed., History and the Disciplines (1997)
Emma Rothschild, Economic Sentiments: Adam Smith, Condorcet and the Enlightenment (2001)
Arnaldo Momigliano, Essays in ancient and modern historiography (1977)
Individual thinkers II:

On Diderot and the Encyclopédie:

Primary: Jean le Rond d'Alembert, Preliminary Discourse
Diderot, "Encyclopedia" article in the Encyclopédie in The Old Regime and the French Revolution ed. Keith Michael Baker

Edward Gibbon

La Mettrie
Kathleen Wellman, La Mettrie: Medicine, Philosophy and Enlightenment (1992)

D'Holbach:

Giambattista Vico
Grafton's edition of the New Science with a useful introduction
Isaiah Berlin, Against the current: essays in the history of ideas (on Hume, Vico, Montesquieu)
Joseph Levine, "Giambattista Vico and the Quarrel between the ancients and the moderns," JHI 52 (1991), 55-79

Kant:
Frederick Beiser, The Fate of Reason (1987)
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SESSION XIII: EXAM PREP
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