

## **MST3241S: Everyday life in medieval Europe**

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What did medieval people do for a living, and where did they do it? What did they eat and wear, in what sort of homes did they live? What sort of family lives did they have? How were their communities organised, and what was the place of those who didn't fit within those communities: the criminals and rebels, the poor, the old, the sick, and the dead? The purpose of this course is to survey the ways in which historians have tried to address these kinds of questions, in brief, to understand: how did ordinary medieval people live? The focus will be on the lives of the medieval 90%. One of the problems such a focus poses is that of the sources, since the bulk of our source material concerns the lives of the medieval 10%, and among our topics of discussion throughout will be the potentials and problems of the various kinds of sources that have been used to understand everyday life in the middle ages. A further question to be raised concerns the nature of 'history from below': is it simply the history of the 'lower classes', or is it also a means of understanding the extent to which historical change takes place from the bottom up?

Through this course, students will gain an introduction to some of the landmarks of scholarship and major debates in a number of fields of social and cultural history that fall within the broad umbrella of the history of everyday life. These include the history of the family, the history of sexuality, women's history, popular religion, the history of the poor and marginalised, and the history of crime. No prior knowledge of any of these subjects is required.

All students will be required to read some of the major contributions to the main debates on medieval social history and the history of everyday life. Although the course is not based around prescribed primary source readings, students are encouraged to read some suggested primary sources in translation to allow them to gain some familiarity with the nature of the sources available for the history of everyday life.

### **Assessment**

#### 50% Final essay (due on May 1).

The final essay (*c.*10,000 words) may be either a historiographic review, or a research paper based on primary sources. Students should submit a one-page outline along with a preliminary bibliography no later than the class in week 11 (March 26) and will receive feedback by the last class (April 2); students are encouraged to discuss essay topics as early as possible.

#### 30% Seminar presentations

Three or four critical summaries (the exact number will depend on enrolment) of a selection of articles or a book chosen from a particular week's readings, to be circulated by email in advance; students will be expected to be prepared to answer questions regarding the readings. These should include the following: geographical and temporal scope; theoretical or methodological approach; detailed summary and critique of the argument. These assignments should be in the range of 2,000–3,000 words.

#### 20% Participation

Discussion based on a close reading of required texts, some familiarity with additional readings, and engagement with handouts and presentations.

*Week 1: Introduction (January 8)*

Suggested readings:

C. Dyer, *Standards of Living in the Later Middle Ages*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edn (1998). [VIC STL]

D. Youngs, *The Life-Cycle in Western Europe* (2006). [VIC STL]

Suggested primary sources

E. Amt (ed. and trans.), *Women's Lives in Medieval Europe: A Sourcebook*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edn (2010). [VIC STL]

M. Bailey (ed. and trans.), *The English Manor, c.1200–c.1500* (2002). [VIC STL]

S. Cohn (ed. and trans.), *Popular Protest in Late-Medieval Europe* (2004). [VIC STL]

T. Dean (ed. and trans.), *The Towns of Italy in the Later Middle Ages* (2000). [VIC STL]

G. Duby, *Rural Economy and Country Life in the Medieval West*, vol. 2 (1968). [VIC STL]

P. J. P. Goldberg (ed. and trans.), *Women in England c.1275–1525* (1995). [VIC STL]

M. Goodich (ed. and trans.), *The Other Middle Ages: Witnesses at the Margins of Medieval Society* (1998).  
[PIMS/ROBA/TRIN]

K. L. Jansen, J. H. Drell, F. Andrews, (eds and trans.), *Medieval Italy: Texts in Translation* (2009).  
[ROBA/SMC]

M. Kowaleski (ed. and trans.), *Medieval Towns: A Reader* (2006). [VIC STL]

J. Murray, *Love, Marriage, and Family in the Middle Ages: A Reader* (2001). [PIMS/ROBA/SMC]

A. Musson and E. Powell, *Crime, Law, and Society in the Later Middle Ages* (2009).

S. McSheffrey, *Love and Marriage in Late-Medieval London* (1995). [PIMS/ROBA/SMC]

J. R. Marcus (ed. and trans.), *The Jew in the Medieval World: A Sourcebook* (rev. edn 1999). [VIC STL]

U. Nonn (ed. and trans.), *Quellen zur Alltagsgeschichte im Früh- und Hochmittelalter*, 2 vols (2003) [primary sources in Latin with German translations]. [ROBA]

J. Rodriguez (ed. and trans.), *Muslim and Christian Contact in the Middle Ages: A Reader* (2015).  
[ROBA/SMC/TRIN/ONLINE]

J. Shinnars (ed. and trans.), *Medieval Popular Religion: A Reader* (2006). [VIC STL]

*Week 2: Making a living in the middle ages (January 15)*

Required reading:

C. Dyer, *Making a Living in the Middle Ages* (2002), chapters 1–2, 4–6, 9–10. [VIC STL]

Additional reading:

G. Bois, *The Crisis of Feudalism: Economy and Society in Eastern Normandy c.1300–1550* (1984).

B. M. S. Campbell, 'The Agrarian Problem in the Early Fourteenth Century', *Past and Present* 188 (2005), 3–70.

P. J. P. Goldberg, *Women's Work and Life Cycle in a Medieval Economy* (1992).

P. Górecki, *Economy, Society, and Lordship in Medieval Poland, 1100–1250* (1992), chapter 1–3.

B. Hanawalt, *The Ties that Bound* (1986), chapters 7–10.

R. C. Hoffmann, 'Fishers in Late Medieval Rural Society around Tegernsee: A Preliminary Sketch', in E. B. DeWindt (ed.), *The Salt of Common Life* (1995), pp. 371–408.

- *An Environmental History of Medieval Europe* (2014), chapters 4–8.

M. Howell, *Women, Production and Patriarchy in Late Medieval Cities* (1986).

S. Hutton, *Women and Economic Activities in Late Medieval Ghent* (2011).

- 'Organizing Specialized Production: Gender in the Medieval Flemish Wool Cloth Industry (c.1250–1384)', *Urban History* 45 (2018), 382–403.

R. M. Karras, 'The Regulation of Brothels in Later Medieval England', *Signs* 14 (1989), 399–433.

J. Laughton, *Life in a Medieval City: Chester 1275–1520* (2008), chapter 7.

- A. S. Melo, 'Women and Work in the Household Economy: The Social and Linguistic Evidence from Porto, c.1340–1450', in C. Beattie, A. Maslakovic, and S. Rees Jones (eds), *The Medieval Household in Christian Europe* (2003), pp. 249–70.
- C. Rawcliffe, 'A Marginal Occupation? The Medieval Laundress and Her Work', *Gender and History* 21 (2009), 147–69.
- W. Rösener, *Peasants in the Middle Ages* (1992), chapters 2, 7–8, 10, 12.
- G. Rosser, 'Crafts, Guilds, and the Negotiation of Work in the Medieval Town', *Past and Present* 154 (1997), 3–31.
- H. Swanson, *Medieval Artisans: An Urban Class in Late Medieval England* (1989).

*Week 3: Material culture and standards of living (January 22)*

Required readings:

C. Dyer, *Standards of Living in the Later Middle Ages* (1998), chapters 5–7, 10; [VIC STL]

OR

W. Rösener, *Peasants in the Middle Ages* (1992), chapters 3–6. [VIC STL  
PIMS/ROBA/DOWNSVIEW]

Additional readings:

- N. W. Alcock, 'The Medieval Peasant at Home: England, 1250–1550', in C. Beattie, A. Maslakovic, and S. Rees Jones (eds), *The Medieval Household in Christian Europe* (2003), pp. 449–68.
- A. Appadurai, 'Introduction: Commodities and the Politics of Value', in A. Appadurai (ed.), *The Social Life of Things* (1986), pp. 3–63.
- J. Birrell, 'Peasants Eating and Drinking', *Agricultural History Review* 63 (2015), 1–18.
- M. Champion, *Medieval Graffiti: The Lost Voices of England's Churches* (2015).
- J. Coomans, 'The King of Dirt: Public Health and Sanitation in Late Medieval Ghent', *Urban History* 35 (2019), 82–105.
- C. Dyer, *An Age of Transition?* (2005), chapter 4.
- 'The Material World of English Peasants, 1200–1540: Archaeological Perspectives on Rural Economy and Welfare', *Agricultural History Review* 62 (2014), 1–22.
- J.-L. Flandrin and M. Montanari (eds), *Food: A History* (2013), chapters 14–27.
- V. Garver, 'Material Culture and Social History in Early Medieval Western Europe', *History Compass* 12 (2014), 784–93.
- T. Hamling and C. Richardson (eds), *Everyday Objects: Medieval and Early Modern Material Culture and its Meaning* (2010).
- R. C. Hoffmann, *An Environmental History of Medieval Europe* (2014), chapters 1, 2, 4, 8–10.
- M. Howell, 'Fixing Movables: Gifts by Testament in Late Medieval Douai', *Past and Present* 150 (1996), 3–45.
- *Commerce before Capitalism* (2010), chapter 4.
- D. Keene, 'Shops and Shopping in Medieval London', in L. M. Grant (ed.), *Medieval Art, Architecture, and Archaeology in London* (1990), pp. 29–40.
- M. Kowaleski and P. J. P. Goldberg, *Medieval Domesticity: Home, Housing and Household in Medieval England* (2008).
- J. Loughton, *Life in a Medieval City: Chester 1275–1520* (2008), chapters 3 and 4.
- M. Montanari, *Medieval Tastes: Food, Cooking, and the Table* (2015).
- K. L. Pearson, 'Nutrition and the Early-Medieval Diet', *Speculum* 71 (1997), 1–32.
- N. J. G. Pounds, *Hearth and Home: A History of Material Culture* (1989), 1, 4–7, 8–9.
- S. Rees Jones, 'Women's Influence on the Design of Urban Homes', in M. C. Erler and M. Kowaleski (eds), *Gendering the Master Narrative: Women and Power in the Middle Ages* (2003), pp. 190–211.

- S. Rees Jones et al, 'The Later Medieval English Urban Household', *History Compass* 5 (2007), 112–58.
- P. Trio, 'The Challenge for a Medieval Center of Industrial Growth: Ypres and the Drinking-Water Problem', in C. Kosso and A. Scott (eds), *The Nature and Function of Water* (2009), pp. 381–404.
- C. M. Woolgar, D. Serjeantson, and T. Waldron (eds), *Food in Medieval England* (2006).

*Week 4: Family life (January 29)*

Required reading:

B. Hanawalt, *The Ties that Bound: Peasant Families in Medieval England* (1986); [VIC STL]

OR

D. Herlihy and C. Klapisch-Zuber, *Tuscans and Their Families: A Study of the Florentine Catasto of 1427* (1985); [PIMS/ROBA/SMC/TRIN/CRRS/ONLINE]

OR

D. Nicholas, *The Domestic Life of a Medieval City: Women, Children, and the Family in Fourteenth-Century Ghent* (1985). [PIMS/ROBA/OISE/ONLINE]

Additional reading:

E. Baumgarten, *Mothers and Children: Jewish Family Life in Medieval Europe* (2004).

J. M. Bennett, 'Medieval Peasant Marriage: An Examination of Marriage Licence Fines in the *Liber Gersumarum*', in J. A. Raftis (ed.), *Pathways to Medieval Peasants* (1981), pp. 193–246.

- 'Spouses, Siblings, and Surnames: Reconstructing Families from Medieval Village Court Rolls', *Journal of British Studies* 23 (1983), 26–46.

- 'The Tie that Binds: Peasant Marriages and Families in Late Medieval England', *Journal of Interdisciplinary History* 15 (1984), 111–29.

J. Goody, *The Development of the Family and Marriage in Europe* (1983).

B. Hanawalt, *Growing up in Medieval London* (1993).

- 'Medievalists and the Study of Childhood', *Speculum* 77 (2002), 440–60.

M. Howell, *Commerce before Capitalism* (2010), chapter 2.

R. M. Karras, 'The History of Marriage and the Myth of Friedelehe', *Early Medieval Europe* 14 (2006), 119–51.

C. Klapisch-Zuber, *Women, Family, and Ritual in Renaissance Italy* (1985), chapters 1, 2, 4, 5.

S. McSheffrey, *Marriage, Sex, and Civic Culture in Late Medieval London* (2006)

S. Olson, 'Family Linkages and the Structure of the Local Elite in the Medieval and Early Modern Village', *Medieval Prosopography* 12 (1992), 53–82.

- "'Families Have their Fate and Periods": Varieties of Family Experience in the Pre-Industrial Village', in E. B. DeWindt (ed.), *The Salt of Common Life* (1995), pp. 409–48.

N. Orme, *Medieval Children* (2001).

F. Riddy, 'Looking Closely: Authority and Intimacy in the Late Medieval Urban Home', in M. C. Erler and M. Kowaleski (eds), *Gendering the Master Narrative: Women and Power in the Middle Ages* (2003), pp. 212–28.

W. Rösener, *Peasants in the Middle Ages* (1992), chapter 10.

S. Shahar, *Childhood in the Middle Ages* (1990).

Michael Sheehan, 'The Formation and Stability of Marriage in Fourteenth-Century England: Evidence of an Ely Register', *Mediaeval Studies* 33 (1971), 228–63, repr. in J. K. Farge (ed.), *Marriage, Family, and Law in Medieval Europe. Collected Studies* (1996), pp. 38–76.

- 'Theory and Practice: Marriage of the Unfree and Poor in Medieval Society', *Mediaeval Studies* 50 (1971), 457–87, repr. in J. K. Farge (ed.), *Marriage, Family, and Law in Medieval Europe. Collected Studies* (1996), pp. 38–76.

D. Youngs, *The Life-Cycle in Western Europe* (2006), pp. 39–125.

*Week 5: Love and sex (February 5)*

Required reading:

J. A. Brundage, *Law, Sex, and Christian Society in Medieval Europe* (1987);  
[PIMS/ROBA/SMC/TRIN/ONLINE]

OR

R. M. Karras, *Sexuality in Medieval Europe* (2<sup>nd</sup> edn 2012). [VIC STL]

Additional reading:

J. M. Bennett, 'Lesbian-Like and the Social History of Lesbianisms', *Journal of the History of Sexuality* 9 (2000), 1–24.

J. Boswell, *Christianity, Social Tolerance, and Homosexuality: Gay People in Western Europe from the Beginning of the Christian Era to the Fourteenth Century* (1980).

- *Same-Sex Unions in Premodern Europe* (1994).

J. A. Brundage, 'Playing by the Rules: Sexual Behaviour and Legal Norms in Medieval Europe', in K. Eisenbichler and J. Murray (eds), *Desire and Discipline: Sex and Sexuality in the Premodern West* (1996), pp. 23–41.

V. L. Bullough and J. A. Brundage (eds), *Handbook of Medieval Sexuality* (1996).

D. Elliott, *Spiritual Marriage: Sexual Abstinence in Medieval Wedlock* (1993).

R. M. Karras, *Common Women: Prostitution and Sexuality in Medieval England* (1996).

- 'Women's Labors: Reproduction and Sex Work in Medieval Europe', *Journal of Women's History* 15 (2004), 153–8.

- *Unmarriages: Women, Men, and Sexual Unions in the Middle Ages* (2012).

M. Kuefler (ed.), *The Boswell Thesis: Essays on Christianity, Social Tolerance, and Homosexuality* (2006).

T. Linkinen, *Same-Sex Sexuality in Later Medieval English Culture* (2016).

J. Murray, 'Hiding behind the Universal Man: Male Sexuality in the Middle Ages'; and 'Twice Marginal and Twice Invisible: Lesbians in the Middle Ages', both in V. L. Bullough and J. A. Brundage (eds), *Handbook of Medieval Sexuality* (1996), pp. 123–52; 191–222.

J. Murray and K. Eisenbichler (eds), *Desire and Discipline: Sex and Sexuality in the Pre-Modern West* (1996).

S. McSheffrey, *Marriage, Sex, and Civic Culture in Late Medieval London* (2006).

*Week 6: Women in the middle ages (February 12)*

Required reading:

J. M. Bennett, *Women in the Medieval English Countryside: Gender and Household in Brigstock before the Plague* (1987); [PIMS/ROBA/SMC/VIC/ONLINE]

OR

P. J. P. Goldberg, *Women's Work and Life Cycle in a Medieval Economy* (1992). [VIC STL]

Additional reading:

C. Barron, 'The "Golden Age" of Women in Medieval London', *Reading Medieval Studies*, 15 (1989), 35–58.

J. M. Bennett, 'Widows in the Medieval Countryside', in L. Mirror (ed.), *Upon my Husband's Death: Widows in the Literature and Histories of Medieval Europe* (1992), pp. 69–114.

- *Ale, Beer and Brewsters in England: Women's Work in a Changing World, 1300–1600* (1996).

- 'Women and Poverty: Girls on Their Own in England before 1348', in M. Kowaleski, J. Langdon, and P. R. Schofield (eds), *Peasants and Lords in the Medieval English Economy* (2015), pp. 299–323.

S. Cohn, *Women in the Streets: Essays on Sex and Power in Renaissance Italy* (1996), chapter 2.

- S. Federico, 'The Imaginary Society: Women in 1381', *Journal of British Studies* 40 (2001), 159–83.
- K. L. French, 'Women in the Late Medieval English Parish', in M. C. Erler and M. Kowaleski (eds), *Gendering the Master Narrative: Women and Power in the Middle Ages* (2003), pp. 156–73.
- 'Well-Behaved Women Can Make History: Women's Friendships in Late Medieval Westminster', in C. N. Goldy and A. Livingstone (eds), *Writing Medieval Women's Lives* (2012), 247–66.
- B. Hanawalt (ed.), *Women and Work* (1986).
- M. Howell, *Women, Production and Patriarchy in Late Medieval Cities* (1986).
- S. Hutton, *Women and Economic Activities in Late Medieval Ghent* (2011).
- R. M. Karras, *Common Women: Prostitution and Sexuality in Medieval England* (1996).
- 'The Regulation of Brothels in Later Medieval England', *Signs* 14 (1989), 399–433.
- 'Women's Labors: Reproduction and Sex Work in Medieval Europe', *Journal of Women's History* 15 (2004), 153–8.
- M. K. McIntosh, *Working Women in English Society, 1300–1620* (2005).
- A. S. Melo, 'Women and Work in the Household Economy: The Social and Linguistic Evidence from Porto, c.1340–1450', in C. Beattie, A. Maslakovic, and S. Rees Jones (eds), *The Medieval Household in Christian Europe* (2003), pp. 249–70.
- S. Olson, 'Women's Place and Women's Space in the Medieval Village', in A. Classen (ed.), *Rural Space in the Middle Ages and Early Modern Times* (2012), pp. 209–25.
- C. Rawcliffe, 'A Marginal Occupation? The Medieval Laundress and Her Work', *Gender and History* 21 (2009), 147–69.
- F. Riddy, 'Looking Closely: Authority and Intimacy in the Late Medieval Urban Home', in M. C. Erler and M. Kowaleski (eds), *Gendering the Master Narrative: Women and Power in the Middle Ages* (2003), pp. 212–28.
- S. Shahar, *The Fourth Estate: A History of Women in the Middle Ages* (2<sup>nd</sup> edn 2003), chapters 2, 4, 6, 7.
- A. F. Sutton, *Wives and Widows of Medieval London* (2016).
- S. H. Wright, 'Medieval Women and Their Historians: A Historiography with a Future?', *History Compass* 16 (2008).

## READING WEEK

*Week 7: Neighbours and community (February 26)*

### Required readings:

G. Rosser, *The Art of Solidarity in the Middle Ages: Guilds in England 1250–1550* (2015);  
[ROBA/ONLINE]

OR

P. Schofield, *Peasant and Community in Medieval England, 1200–1500* (2003). [ROBA/SMC/VIC]

### Readings:

D. J. F. Crouch, *Piety, Fraternity and Power: Religious Guilds in Late Medieval Yorkshire, 1389–1547* (2000).

K. L. French, *The People of the Parish: Community Life in a Late Medieval Parish* (2000).

J. Goering, 'The Changing Face of the Village Parish II: The Thirteenth Century', in J. A. Raftis (ed.), *Pathways to Medieval Peasants* (1981), pp. 323–33.

L. Kuchenbuch, 'Links within the Village: Evidence from Fourteenth-Century Eastphalia', in D. Sweeney (ed.), *Agriculture in the Middle Ages* (1995), 138–62.

S. Olson, 'Family Linkages and the Structure of the Local Elite in the Medieval and Early Modern Village', *Medieval Prosopography* 12 (1992), 53–82.

- *A Chronicle of All that Happens: Voices from the Village Court in Medieval England* (1996).

- *A Mute Gospel: The People and Culture of the Medieval English Common Fields* (2009).

- W. Rösener, *Peasants in the Middle Ages* (1992), chapters 9–11.  
 G. Rosser, *The Art of Solidarity in the Middle Ages: Guilds in England 1250–1550* (2015).  
 M. Rubin, *Charity and Community in Medieval Cambridge* (1987).  
 P. Schofield, ‘The Social Economy of the Medieval Village in the Early Fourteenth Century’,  
*Economic History Review* 61 (2008), 38–63.  
 N. Terpstra, *Lay Confraternities and Civic Religion in Renaissance Bologna* (1995).  
 A. Thompson, *Cities of God: The Religion of the Italian Communes, 1125–1325* (2005), chapters 2 and 4.  
 R. F. E. Weissman, *Ritual Brotherhood in Renaissance Florence* (1982).  
 C. Wickham, *Community and Clientele in Twelfth-Century Tuscany* (1998).

*Week 8: Popular religion (March 5)*

Required readings:

B. Filotas, *Pagan Survivals, Superstitions, and Popular Cultures* (2005); [PIMS/ROBA/SMC/ONLINE]  
 OR

R. Swanson, *Religion and Devotion in Europe* (1995). [PIMS/ROBA/SMC/UTM]

Additional readings:

- A. Appleford, *Learning to Die in London, 1380–1540* (2014), pp. 18–54, 98–180.  
 A. Brown, *Civic Ceremony and Religion in Medieval Bruges* (2011).  
 - ‘Civic Religion in Late Medieval Europe’, *Journal of Medieval History* 42 (2016), 338–56.  
 P. Brown, *The Ransom of the Soul* (2015).  
 C. Burgess, ‘“By Quick and by Dead”: Wills and Pious Provision in Late Medieval Bristol’, *English Historical Review* 102 (1987), 837–58.  
 C. Burgess and B. Kümin, ‘Penitential Bequests and Parish Regimes in Late Medieval England’,  
*Journal of Ecclesiastical History* 44 (1993), 610–30.  
 C. W. Bynum, *Wonderful Blood: Theology and Practice in Late Medieval Northern Germany and Beyond* (2007).  
 - *Christian Materiality: An Essay on Religion in Late Medieval Europe* (2011).  
 N. Z. Davis, ‘Some Tasks and Themes in the Study of Popular Religion’, in C. H. Trinkhaus and H. Oberman (eds), *The Pursuit of Holiness in Late Medieval and Renaissance Religion* (1974), pp. 307–36.  
 J. van Engen, *Sisters and Brothers of the Common Life* (2008).  
 E. Gertsman, *The Dance of Death in the Middle Ages* (2010).  
 K. L. French, *The People of the Parish: Community Life in a Late Medieval English Diocese* (2000).  
 J. Goering, ‘The Changing Face of the Village Parish II: The Thirteenth Century’, in J. A. Raftis (ed.), *Pathways to Medieval Peasants* (1981), pp. 323–33.  
 M. Harvey, *Lay Religious Life in Late Medieval Durham* (2006).  
 M. Howell, ‘Fixing Movable: Gifts by Testament in Late Medieval Douai’, *Past and Present* 150 (1996), 3–45.  
 J. Henderson, *Piety and Charity in Late-Medieval Florence* (1994).  
 L. Little, *Religious Poverty and the Profit Economy in Medieval Europe* (1978).  
 E. Muir, *Civic Ritual in Renaissance Venice* (1981), pp. 185–249.  
 M.-H. Rousseau, *Saving the Souls of Medieval London: Perpetual Chantries at St. Paul’s Cathedral, c.1200–1548* (2011).  
 N. Terpstra, *Lay Confraternities and Civic Religion in Renaissance Bologna* (1995).  
 A. Thompson, *Cities of God: The Religion of the Italian Communes, 1125–1325* (2005), chapters 3, 5, 6–10, epilogue.

*Week 9: The lives of the poor (March 12)*

Required reading:

M. Mollat, *The Poor in the Middle Ages* (1986). [VIC STL]

Additional readings:

- J. M. Bennett, 'Women and Poverty: Girls on Their Own in England before 1348', in M. Kowaleski, J. Langdon, and P. R. Schofield (eds), *Peasants and Lords in the Medieval English Economy* (2015), pp. 299–323.
- C. Dyer, 'Poverty and Its Relief in Late Medieval England', *Past and Present* 216 (2012), 41–78.
- S. Farmer, 'The Beggar's Body: Intersections of Gender and Social Status', in S. Farmer and B. H. Rosenwein (eds), *Monks and Nuns, Saints and Outcasts* (2000), pp. 153–71.
- *Surviving Poverty in Medieval Paris* (2002).
- Bronislaw Geremek, *The Margins of Society in Late Medieval Paris* (1987), pp. 167–210.
- B. Hanawalt, 'Reading the Lives of the Illiterate: London's Poor', *Speculum* 80 (2005), 1067–86.
- J. Henderson, *Piety and Charity in Late Medieval Florence* (1994), pp. 241–409.
- E. W. Moore, 'Aspects of Poverty in a Small Medieval Town', in E. B. DeWindt (ed.), *The Salt of Common Life* (1995), pp. 117–56.
- P. Schofield, 'Approaching Poverty in the Medieval Countryside', in C. Kosso and A. Scott (eds), *Poverty and Prosperity in the Middle Ages and Renaissance* (2012), pp. 95–112.
- A. Scott (ed.), *Experiences of Poverty in Late Medieval and Early Modern England and France* (2012).
- A. Scott (ed.), *Experiences of Charity, 1250–1650* (2015).

*Week 10: Liminal lives: religious minorities (March 19)*

Required readings:

E. Baumgarten, *Mothers and Children: Jewish Family Life in Medieval Europe* (2004). [VIC STL]

OR

M. Meyerson, *The Muslims of Valencia in the Age of Fernando and Isabel* (1991).

[PIMS/ROBA/SMC/ONLINE]

Additional readings:

- R. I. Burns, 'Muslims in the Thirteenth-Century Realms of Aragon', in J. M. Powell (ed.), *Muslims under Latin Rule* (1990), pp. 57–102.
- B. Catlos, *Muslims of medieval Latin Christendom* (2014).
- R. Chazan, *The Jews of Medieval Western Christendom, 1000–1500* (2006).
- E. Cohen, *The Crossroads of Justice: Law and Culture in Late Medieval France* (1993), pp. 85–133.
- R. Lee, 'Medieval History from the Margins', *History Compass* 13 (2015), 512–20.
- V. D. Lipman, *The Jews of Medieval Norwich* (1967).
- A. Metcalfe, *The Muslims of Medieval Italy* (2009).
- M. Meyerson, *Jews in an Iberian Frontier Kingdom: Society, Economy and Politics in Morvedre, 1248–1391* (2004).
- R. I. Moore, *The Formation of a Persecuting Society: Power and Deviance in Western Europe* (2<sup>nd</sup> edn 2007).
- 'Anti-Semitism and the Birth of Europe', *Studies in Church History* 29 (1992), 33–57.
- D. Nirenberg, *Communities of Violence: Persecution of Minorities in the Middle Ages* (1996), chapters 4, 5, 7.
- K. Stow, 'Hatred of Jews or Love of the Church: Papal Policy Toward the Jews in the Middle Ages', in S. Almog (ed.), *Antisemitism through the Ages* (1988), 71–89.

*Week 11: Criminals and rebels (March 26)*

Required readings:

S. Cohn, *Lust for Liberty: The Politics of Social Revolution in Medieval Europe* (2006); [PIMS/ROBA/SMC/ONLINE]

OR

Bronislaw Geremek, *The Margins of Society in Late Medieval Paris* (1987); [PIMS/ROBA/SMC]

OR

R. H. Hilton, *Bond Men Made Free* (2<sup>nd</sup> edn 2003). [VIC STL]

Additional readings:

S. Blanshei, 'Crime and Law Enforcement in Medieval Bologna', *Journal of Social History* 16 (1982), 121–38.

G. Brucker, 'The Ciompi Revolution', in N. Rubinstein (ed.), *Florentine Studies* (1988), pp. 314–56.

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