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Reading lists for exam field preparations in  
**Early modern France and  
Early modern European cultural and intellectual 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 for discussions every other week or so.

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 bolded) or others that we agree upon. 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 French history--dictionaries and reference books

- Lucien Bely, Dictionnaire de l'Ancien Régime: royaume de France XVIe-XVIIIe (1996)  
François Bluche, Dictionnaire du grand siècle (1990)  
René and Suzanne Pillorget, France Baroque, France Renaissance (1995), vol. 1: récit; vol 2: dictionnaire  
Arlette Jouanna et al eds., La France de la Renaissance, histoire et dictionnaire (2001); and Histoire et Dictionnaire des Guerres de Religion (1998)

### French history surveys:

- David Potter, A History of France 1460-1560 (1995)  
Robin Briggs, Early modern France 1560-1715 (1977; new ed. 1998)  
William Beik, A social and cultural history of early modern France (2009)  
Frederic Baumgartner, France in the sixteenth century (1995)  
Yves-Marie Bercé, The Rise of Absolutism 1598-1661 (1996)  
Mack Holt ed., Renaissance and Reformation France 1500-1648. Oxford history. 2002.  
LeRoy Ladurie, The French Royal State 1460-1610 (1987)  
William Doyle ed., Old Regime France. Oxford history. (2001)  
Laurent Bourquin, La France au XVIe siècle (Collection Belin Sup, 1996); Robert Descimon and Christian Jouhaud, La France du premier XVIIe siècle 1594-1661 (1996); Michel Nassiet, La France du second XVIIe (1661-1715) (1997) [in French and not in HUL].

### Early modern European general history--ref. books and surveys

- Thomas Brady, Heiko Oberman, and James Tracy, eds., Handbook of European History 1400-1600,  
Robin Briggs, Oxford History of Europe (1999)  
Evan Cameron, Early Modern Europe: an Oxford History (1999)  
---. ed., The Sixteenth Century. Short Oxford History of Europe. 2006.  
Jonathan Dewald, ed., Europe 1450-1789: Encyclopedia of the Early Modern World, 6 vols.  
Richard Dunn, The Age of Religious Wars 1559-1715. Norton history. 1979.  
Longman Handbook of Early Modern Europe, 1453-1763 (2001)  
Geoffrey Parker, Europe in Crisis 1598-1648 (2nd ed. 2001)  
Eugene Rice, Foundations of early modern Europe 1460-1559. Norton history. New ed. 1994.  
Merry Wiesner-Hanks, Early Modern Europe 1450-1789. Cambridge series. 2006.

### Literary history surveys

- Antoine Adam, Histoire de la littérature française au XVIIe siècle (1997, first published 1962)  
Gerald Antoine and Robert Martin, eds., following Ferdinand Brunot, Histoire de la langue française. 3 vols. 1985.  
Cambridge History of early modern English literature (2002)  
Sarah Kay, Terence Cave, and Malcolm Bowie. A short history of French literature (2003)  
Neil Kenny, An introduction to sixteenth-century French literature and thought: other times, other places (2008)

### Economic history

Fernand Braudel, The Mediterranean and the Mediterranean World in the Age of Philip II (1972)  
Carlo Cipolla, Before the Industrial Revolution: European Society and Economy, 1000-1700. 3rd ed. Norton. 1994.

James Farr, Work of France : labor and culture in early modern times 1350-1800. 2008.

Philip T. Hoffman, Gilles Postel-Vinay, and Jean-Laurent Rosenthal, Priceless Markets: The Political Economy of Credit in Paris, 1660-1870 (2000)

E. P. Thompson. "Time, Work-Discipline, and Industrial Capitalism," Past and Present (1967) 38(1): 56-97.

### **Historical sociology**

Perry Anderson, Lineages of the Absolutist State (1974)

Michael Mann, The sources of social power. Cambridge University Press, 1986-1993.

### **Other countries**

Patrick Collinson, ed., The sixteenth century, 1485-1603 (2002) [textbook on British history]

Jenny Wormald, ed., The seventeenth century (2008) [textbook on British history]

J.H. Elliott, Imperial Spain 1469-1716 (1963)

---, "The Decline of Spain," Past and Present (1961)

Henry Kamen, Spain 1469-1714 (3rd ed. 2005)

---, "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

R.J.W. Evans, The Making of the Habsburg Monarchy, 1550-1700 (1979)

Thomas Brady, German histories in the age of Reformations, 1400-1650 (2009)

Jonathan Israel, The Dutch Republic: Its Rise, Greatness and Fall 1477-1806 (1995)

Geoffrey Parker, The Dutch Revolt (1977; revised ed. 2002)

Eric Cochrane, Florence in the Forgotten Centuries, 1527-1800 (1973)

Gregory Hanlon, Early Modern Italy 1550-1800 (2000)

John Marino, Early modern Italy: 1550-1796. Short Oxford history. 2002.

### **Professional resources**

[www.fas.harvard.edu/~earlymod](http://www.fas.harvard.edu/~earlymod)

Sixteenth Century Studies

Renaissance Society of America

French Historical Studies

## SESSION I : HISTORIOGRAPHY

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

\*Randolph Starn, "Review article: the early modern muddle," Journal of Early Modern History 6:3 (2002), pp. 296-307 (on-line)

### FRANCE

#### Early modern France

André Burguière, The Annales school: An intellectual history (2009)

\*Peter Burke, French historical revolution: the Annales School 1929-89 (1990)

Philippe Poirrier, Les enjeux de l'histoire culturelle (2004)

Stuart Clark, ed. The Annales School. Critical assessments, 4 vols. e.g. vol. 1 Lynn Hunt "Rise and Fall of the the Annales Paradigm" (vols. 1-2 on general issues; vol. 3 on Braudel; vol. 4 on specific historians, e.g. Febvre, Bloch, Goubert) (1999)

Roger Chartier, "The Two Frances: The History of a Geographical Idea," Cultural History: Between Practices and Representations (1988) (photocopy).

Browse one of these classics of histoire totale:

Pierre Deyon, Amiens, capitale provinciale (1967)

Pierre Goubert, Beauvais et le Beauvaisis (1960)

Biographies of historians:

Natalie Zemon Davis, A Passion for History. Conversations with Denis Crouzet ---, "A Life of Learning" ACLS Haskins lecture (available on-line through Google)

Georges Duby, History continues (1997)

Pierre Goubert, Un parcours d'historien: souvenirs 1915-1995 (1996)

Emmanuel Le Roy Ladurie, L'historien, le chiffre et le texte (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

\*Fernand Braudel, The Identity of France, vol. 1 (1988)

Colette Beaune, Naissance de la nation France, in English: The birth of an ideology: myths and symbols of nation in late medieval France (1991)

Alain Tallon, Conscience nationale et sentiment religieux en France au XVIe siècle. Essai sur la vision gallicane du monde (2002)

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.

### EARLY MODERN INTELLECTUAL

Donald Kelley, "What is Happening to the History of Ideas?" Journal of the History of Ideas (1990)  
---. The descent of ideas: the history of intellectual history (2002)  
\*Robert Darnton, "Intellectual and Cultural History" in The Kiss of Lamourette (1990)  
Dominick Lacapra, Rethinking Intellectual History: Texts, Contexts, Language (1983)

### **Skinner school:**

Quentin Skinner, "Meaning and understanding in History of Ideas," History and Theory 8 (1969), 1-53  
---, "The limits of historical explanation," Philosophy 41 (1966), 199-215  
---, "Motives, Intentions and the interpretation of Texts," New Literary History 3 (1972), 393-408.  
James Tully, Meaning and context: Quentin Skinner and his Critics (1988)  
Kari Palonen, Quentin Skinner: History, Politics, Rhetoric (2003)

### **EARLY MODERN CULTURAL**

Carlo Ginzburg, "The Inquisitor as Anthropologist" in Clues, Myths and the Historical method (1992), pp. 156-164  
\*Peter Burke, What is Cultural History? (2004)  
---. Varieties of Cultural History (1997)  
Philippe Poirrier, Les enjeux de l'histoire culturelle (2004)  
Lynn Hunt, ed., The New Cultural History (1989)

## **SESSION II: SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC STRUCTURES OF EARLY MODERN FRANCE**

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

primary: Manor life in old France from the journal of the sire de Gouberville, 1549-62, ed.

Katharine W. Fedden (1933), pdf

### **Peasants**

Jonathan Dewald and Liana Vardi, "The peasantries of France 1400-1789" in Tom Scott ed., The peasantries of Europe from 14th to 18th Ct (1998)

Antoine Follain, Le village sous l'Ancien Régime (2008)

Emmanuel LeRoy Ladurie, The Peasants of Languedoc (1974) abridged from Paysans du Languedoc (rev. ed. 1985). Most recent: Histoire des paysans français de la peste noire à la Révolution (2002)

LeRoy Ladurie, "In Normandy's Woods and Fields," in The Territory of the Historian (1979), 133-73 (pdf)

Pierre Goubert, French Peasantry in the Seventeenth Century (1986); "The French Peasantry of the Seventeenth Century," in Past and Present (1956)

Philip Hoffman, Growth in a Traditional Society: the French Countryside, 1450-1815 (1996)

Emmanuel Le Roy Ladurie, "L'histoire immobile," Annales 1974: 673-92.

Jonathan Dewald, Pont-St-Pierre, 1398-1789: lordship, community, and capitalism in early modern France (1987)

### **Family and demographic history**

Julie Hardwick, Family business: litigation and the political economies of daily life in early modern France (2009)

Jean Louis Flandrin, Families in Former Times: kinship, household, and sexuality (1979)

Philippe Ariès, Centuries of Childhood (1962)

Hervé Le Bras, The nature of demography (2008)

For historical interest browse Louis Henry, Manuel de démographie historique (1967)

David Sabeau, Kinship in Neckarhausen, 1700-1870 (1998)

Christopher Johnson and David Sabeau, eds., Sibling relations and the transformations of European kinship, 1300-1900 (2011)

### **Urban history**

Stephen Epstein, Freedom and Growth. The Rise of States and Markets in Europe 1300-1750 (2000)

J. de Vries, European Urbanization 1500-1800 (1984)

Orest Ranum, Paris in the Age of Absolutism (1968; rev and expanded ed. 2002)

David Garrioch, Neighbourhood and community in Paris, 1740-1790 (1986)

---, The Making of Revolutionary Paris (2002)

Philip Benedict, ed., Cities and Soc Change in Early Modern France (1989)

---, "More than Market and Manufactory: The Cities of Early Modern France," French Historical Studies, 20 (1997), 511-38.

### **Nobility--robe and sword**

\*Ralph Giesey, "Rules of inheritance and strategies of mobility in prerevolutionary France," AHR (1977)

\*J.H.M. Salmon, Society in Crisis: France in the 16th Century (1975), part I, pp. 13-113.

Robert Descimon, "Chercher de nouvelles voies pour interpréter les phénomènes nobiliaires dans la France moderne. La noblesse, 'essence' ou rapport social?" Revue d'histoire moderne et contemporaine 46 (1999): 5-21. Also in same volume: P. Hamon's "la chute de la maison de Thou"

Descimon, "The Birth of the Nobility of the Robe: Dignity versus Privilege in the Parlement of Paris, 1500-1700," in Changing Identities in Early Modern France, ed. by Michael Wolfe. Durham: Duke University Press, 1996.

Jay Smith. The Culture of Merit: Nobility, Royal Service and the Making of Absolute Monarchy in France 1600-1789 (1996)

Ellery Schalk, From Valor to Pedigree: Ideas of Nobility in France in the 16th and 17th Centuries (1986)

Jouanna, Arlette. L'idée de race en France au XVIe me siecle et au début du XVIIeme siecle: 1498-1614 (1976, 1981)

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**

Charles Loyseau, A Treatise of Orders and Plain Dignities (1994)

## SESSION II INTELLECTUAL HISTORY: ARISTOTELIANISM AND THE UNIVERSITIES

### Medieval background

\*Edward Grant, "Aristotelianism and the Longevity of the Medieval World View," History of Science 16 (1978), 93-106.

Pearl Kibre and Nancy Siraisi, "The Institutional Setting: the Universities," in Science in the Middle Ages, ed. David Lindberg (1978) OR Roger Ariew and Alan Gabbey, "The Scholastic Background," in The Cambridge History of Seventeenth-Century Philosophy, ed. Daniel Garber and Michael Ayers, 2 vols (1998), I, pp. 425-53

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.

Edward Grant, Planets, Stars and Orbs: the Medieval Cosmos 1200-1687 (1994)

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)

G. R. Evans, ed., The Medieval theologians (2001)

Hilde de Ridder-Symoens, ed. Universities in the Middle Ages (1992)

H. Rashdall, F. Powicke et al., The Universities of Europe in the Middle Ages (1987)

William Courtenay, Teaching Careers at the University of Paris in the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries (1988)

### Early modern universities

Gascoigne on early modern universities in Reappraisals of the Scientific Revolution, ed. David Lindberg and Robert Westman (1990)

William Clark, Academic Charisma and the Origins of the Research University (2006)

A History of the University in Europe, vol. II: Universities in Early Modern Europe (1500-1800), ed. Hilde de Ridder-Symoens (1996)

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

### Renaissance Aristotelianism

\*Charles Schmitt, Aristotle and the Renaissance

---, "Aristotle as a cuttlefish: the origin and development of a Renaissance image," Studies in the Renaissance 12 (1965), pp. 60-72.

Eckhard Kessler, "The transformation of Aristotelianism," in John Henry and Sarah Hutton eds., New Perspectives on Renaissance Thought (1990)



### **SESSION III INTELLECTUAL: RENAISSANCE HUMANISM**

Charles Nauert, Humanism and the Culture of Renaissance Europe (rev. ed. with a new chapter on women, 2006)

\*Stephen Menn, "The Intellectual Setting," in The Cambridge History of Seventeenth-Century Philosophy, ed. Daniel Garber and Michael Ayers, 2 vols. (1998), I, pp. 33-86. [dense; possible to postpone to exam review phase]

Paul O. Kristeller, Renaissance thought and its sources

---, "The place of Renaissance humanism in Renaissance thought," in Karl Dannenfeldt ed., The Renaissance: basic interpretations (1974)

Ronald Witt, In the footsteps of the ancients: the origins of humanism from Lovato to Bruni (2000)

#### **FOR REFERENCE**

James Hankins ed., Cambridge Companion to Renaissance Philosophy (2007)

Anthony Grafton and Glenn Most eds., The Classical Tradition (2010)

Charles Schmitt, ed., Cambridge History of Renaissance Philosophy (1988)

Jill Kraye, Cambridge Companion to Renaissance Humanism (1996)

#### **Baron Thesis**

Wallace K. Ferguson, "The Interpretation of Italian Humanist: The Contribution of Hans Baron," Journal of the History of Ideas 19 (1958): 14-25.

Hans Baron, "Moot Problems of Renaissance Interpretation: An Answer to Wallace K. Ferguson," Journal of the History of Ideas 19 (1958): 26-34.

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

James Hankins, "The 'Baron Thesis' after Forty Years and Some Recent Studies of Leonardo Bruni," Journal of the History of Ideas 56 (1995): 309-38

John Najemy, "Civic humanism and Florentine politics," in Renaissance Civic Humanism. Reappraisals and Reflections, ed. James Hankins (2000), pp. 75-104.

#### **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)

Rebecca Bushnell, A culture of teaching: early modern humanism in theory and practice (1996).

#### **Humanism and natural history**

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

Brian Ogilvie, The Science of Describing: natural history in Renaissance Europe (2006)

#### **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  
John M. Headley, Tommaso Campanella and the Transformation of the World (1997)  
Hilary Gatti, Giordano Bruno and Renaissance Science (1999)  
Martin L. Pine, Pietro Pomponazzi: Radical Philosopher of the Renaissance (1986).

**Northern humanism--esp. Erasmus**

Lisa Jardine, Erasmus Man of Letters (1993)  
James Tracy, Erasmus (1972)  
---, 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)  
Erika Rummel, The confessionalization of humanism in Reformation Germany (2000)  
Anthony Grafton, Commerce with the Classics (1995)  
---, Joseph Scaliger: a study in the history of classical scholarship (1983, 1993), esp. vol. 1 chs. 1-3.

## SESSION III: FRENCH RENAISSANCE MONARCHY

### French humanism

\*Mark Greengrass, The French Reformation, ch. 1.

Augustin Renaudet, Préréforme et humanisme à Paris pendant les premières guerres d'Italie (1494-1517) (1916); for a short version in English see Werner Gundersheimer, French Humanism (1969), pp. ??

Gerald Sandy, The classical heritage in France (2002)

Gilbert Gadoffre, La révolution culturelle dans la France des humanistes : Guillaume Budé et François Ier. 1997.

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

Anne-Marie Lecoq, "The symbolism of the state: images of the monarch from the early Valois kings to Louis XIV," in Pierre Nora, Rethinking France, vol. 1.

J. Russell Major, From Renaissance Monarchy to Absolute Monarchy: French kings, nobles and estates (1994); but see also William Beik, "The absolutism of Louis XIV as social collaboration," (a review essay) Past and Present (2005), 195-224.

Sarah Hanley, "Engendering the state: family formation and state building in early modern France," French Historical Studies (1989), pp. 4 -27.

\*Ralph Giesey, Rulership in France 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> cities (2004)

**primary:** Claude de Seyssel, The Monarchy of France (1981).

James Smither, "The St. Bartholomew's Day Massacre and Images of Kingship in France, 1572-1574," The Sixteenth Century Journal XXII, 1 (Spring 1991): 27-46.

### Rituals and culture

Ralph Giesey, Royal Funeral Ceremony in Renaissance France (1960)

Sarah Hanley, Lit de Justice of the Kings of France: Constitutional Ideology in Legend, Ritual and Discourse (1983)

Knecht, "Francis I and the lit de justice--a legend defended," French History (1993), pp. 53-83.

Lawrence Bryant, The King and the City in the Parisian Royal Entry Ceremony: Politics, Ritual and Art in the Renaissance (1986)

Jackson, Richard, Vive le roi : a history of the French coronation from Charles V to Charles X (1984)

Michael Wintroub, A savage mirror: power, identity and knowledge in early modern France (2006)

**primary:** Entry of Henry II into Paris, 1549, ed. Ian McFarlane (1982)

For a critique of the American ceremonialist school, see Alain Boureau, « Les cérémonies royales françaises entre performance juridique et compétence liturgique », Annales, E.S.C., 6, nov-déc. 1991, p. 1253-1264.

## **Monarchs**

R. J. Knecht, Renaissance Warrior and Patron: the reign of Francis I (1994)

Anne-Marie Lecoq, François Ier imaginaire (1987)

Frederic Baumgartner, Henry II, King of France 1547-1559 (1988)

## **FOR REFERENCE**

Ernst H. Kantorowicz, The King's Two Bodies: A study in Mediaeval Political Theology (1957);

OR "Pro patria mori in medieval political thought," American Historical Review 56:3 (1951)

Marc Bloch, The Royal Touch: monarchy and miracles in France and England (1961, tr'n of Roi thaumaturge)

Paul Monod. The power of kings: monarchy and religion in Europe, 1589-1715 (1999)

Roger Doucet, Les institutions de la France au 16e siècle (1948). 2 vols.

Gaston Zeller, Les institutions de la France au 16e siècle (1948)

## SESSION IV: PRINTING (IN COMMON)

### **Beginnings and impact of printing:**

\*David McKitterick, Print, Manuscript and the Search for Order 1450-1830 (2003)

Andrew Pettegree, The Book in the Renaissance (2010)

Lucien Febvre and Henri-Jean Martin, The Coming of the Book (1976)

Rudolf Hirsch, Printing, Selling and Reading 1450-1550 (1967)

Elizabeth Eisenstein, The Printing Revolution in Early Modern Europe (1983) OR The Printing Press as an Agent of Change (1979) OR Eisenstein, Elizabeth, "Some conjectures about the impact of printing on Western society and thought: a preliminary report," Journal of Modern History (1968): 1-29.

\*Anthony Grafton, "The Importance of Being Printed," Journal of Interdisciplinary History (1980) (review of Eisenstein)

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 from fourteenth to eighteenth century (1994)

---, Inscription and erasure: literature and written culture from the 11th to the 18th century (2007)

Henri-Jean Martin, The French Book: religion, absolutism and readership 1585-1715 (1996)

Guglielmo Cavallo and Roger Chartier, eds. A History of Reading in the West, esp. chs. on early modern

Ann Blair, Too Much To Know: managing scholarly information before the modern age (2010)

Peter Burke, A social history of knowledge (2000)

### **Books and Enlightenment**

Robert Darnton, "Reading, writing, publishing" in The Literary Underground of the Old Regime (1982). See also "A Police inspector sorts his files," in Great Cat Massacre (1984); Forbidden best-sellers of pre-revolutionary France (1996)

Jonathan Rose, "The history of books: revised and enlarged." a review essay of recent work in The Darnton Debate: books and revolution in the 18th century, ed. Haydn T. Mason (1998)

for more references, see the lists for the exam field in History of the Book, accessible from my website

## SESSION V: REFORMATIONS

- \*James Tracy, Europe's Reformations, 1450-1650 (1999)
- Brad Gregory, Salvation at Stake. Christian Martyrdom in Early Modern Europe (1999)
- Patrick Collinson, The Reformation: a history (2004)
- Robert Scribner, Reformation in national context (1994)
- Diarmaid MacCulloch, The Reformation (2005)
- Brad Gregory, Salvation at Stake: Christian martyrdom in early modern Europe (1999)
- Alexandra Walsham, "The Reformation and the Disenchantment of the World Reassessed," Historical Journal 51 (2008)

### 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).
- Robert Scribner, "Incombustible Luther: the Image of the Reformer in Early Modern Germany," Past and Present 110 (1986): 38-68 (on-line)
- , Religion and Culture in Germany 1400-1800 (2001)
- , The German Reformation (1986)
- , For the Sake of Simple Folk (1994)
- Gerald Strauss, "Success and Failure in the German Reformation," Past and Present 67 (1975): 30-63
- , Luther's House of Learning (1978)
- Heiko Oberman, The Reformation: Roots and Ramifications (1994)
- , The impact of the Reformation (1994)
- , Luther: man between God and the devil (1989)
- 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 (2005)
- Eamon Duffy, The Stripping of the altars: traditional religion in England 1400-1580 (2005)
- James Simpson, Burning to Read. English Fundamentalism and its Reformation Opponents (2007)

### CATHOLICISM (IN COMMON)--GENERAL EUROPE

- \*R. Hsia, World of Catholic Renewal (1998)
- Heinz Schilling, Early modern European civilization and its political and cultural dynamism (2008)
- Gigliola Fragnito, ed., Church, censorship and culture in early modern Italy (2001)
- John Bossy, "The Counter-Reformation and the People of Catholic Europe," Past and Present 47 (1970)
- Michael Mullett, The Catholic Reformation (1999)
- 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)

### **CALVINISM (IN COMMON)**

Allan Tulchin, That men would praise the Lord: the triumph of Protestantism in Nîmes, 1530-1570 (2010)

Richard Muller, The unaccommodated Calvin: studies in the foundation of a theological tradition (2000)

---, After Calvin: studies in the development of a theological tradition (2003) -- including German Calvinists.

David Steinmetz, Calvin in context (1995)

François Wendel, Calvin: origins and development of his religious thought (1987)

Andrew Pettegree, ed., The 16<sup>th</sup>-century French Religious Book (2001)

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)

William Monter, Calvin's Geneva (1967)

### **FRANCE**

Barbara Diefendorf, From penitence to charity: pious women and the Catholic Reformation in Paris (2004)

Jean Delumeau, Catholicism Between Luther and Voltaire: a new view of the counter-reformation (1977)

Natalie Z. Davis, "The Sacred and the Body Social in Sixteenth-Century Lyon," Past and Present (1981)

Joseph Bergin, Church, society and religious change in France, 1580-1730 (2009)

Larissa Taylor, Soldiers of Christ: preaching in late medieval and reformation France (2002)

\*Mark Greengrass, The French Reformation (1987)

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Philip Hoffman, Church and Community in the Diocese of Lyon, 1500-1784 (1984)

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### SCEPTICISM, LIBERTINISM, "ATHEISM"

\*Richard Popkin, History of skepticism from Erasmus to Spinoza (1979)

José R. Maia Neto, "Academic Skepticism in Early Modern Philosophy," Journal of the History of Ideas 58 (1997), pp. 199-220

John Brooke and Ian Maclean, eds., Heterodoxy in Early Modern Science and Religion (2005). on Vanini, Gassendi, Hobbes, Newton, Fatio de Duillier, Priestley among other figures

Michael Hunter and David Wootton, eds. Atheism from the reformation to the enlightenment (1992), especially intro.

Alan Kors, Atheism in France 1650-1729 (1990)

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### Rabelais and the problem of unbelief

Lucien Febvre, The problem of unbelief in the 16<sup>th</sup>-century, the religion of Rabelais (1942; 1982, English); a classic to browse

Wootton, "Febvre and the Problem of Unbelief," Journal of Modern History (1988)

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Donald Kelley, The Foundations of Modern Historical Scholarship (1970)

George Huppert, The Idea of Perfect History (1970)

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Peter Burke, Renaissance Sense of the Past (1969)

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---. Reading history in early modern England (2000)

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Carlo Ginzburg, "Lorenzo Valla on the 'Donation of Constantine,'" in History, Rhetoric and Proof (1999), pp. 54-69.

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Peter Burke, "Images as Evidence in 17<sup>th</sup>-Century Europe," Journal of the History of Ideas 64 no. 2 (2003)

Arnaldo Momigliano, "Gibbon's contribution to historical method" in Studies in Historiography (1966)

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\*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

Frederic Baumgartner, Radical Revolutionaries: the political thought of the French Catholic League (1976)

Paul-Alexis Mellet, Les traités monarchomaques (2007)

**Primary:** 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.

Jacob Soll, Publishing The Prince : history, reading, & the birth of political criticism (2005)

J.H. Burns, ed., The Cambridge history of political thought 1450-1700 (1991). e.g. article by Peter Burke on tacitism.

Gerhard Oestreich, Neostoicism and the early modern state (1982)

William F. Church, Richelieu and Reason of State (1973)

## **MONTAIGNE**

I.D. MacFarlane and Ian Maclean, eds., Montaigne: essays in memory of Richard Sayce--useful introduction to Montaigne

George Hoffmann, Montaigne's Career (1998)

Zachary Sayre Schiffman, On the Threshold of Modernity: Relativism in the French Renaissance (1991)

**Primary:** Montaigne, Essays. Especially 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**

Mark Greengrass, Governing passions: peace and reform in the French kingdom, 1576-1585 (2007)

\*Mack Holt, The French wars of religion, 1562-1629 (rev. ed. 2005)

Barbara Diefendorf, Beneath the Cross: Catholics and Huguenots in 16<sup>th</sup>-century Paris (1991)

Donald Kelley, The Beginning of Ideology: consciousness and Society in the French Reformation (1981)

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---, Les guerriers de Dieu: la violence au temps des troubles de religion, vers 1525-vers 1610 (1990)

---, "Recherches sur les processions blanches, 1583-84," Histoire, Economie et Société 1 (1982), 511-63.

Stuart Carroll, Noble Power during the French Wars of Religion: the Guise Affinity and the Catholic cause in Normandy (1998), esp ch. 7

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Alain Boureau, « Une histoire intellectuelle des populations médiévales », Annales HSC 61, 1, 2006, p. 233-244.

Carlo Ginzburg, The Cheese and the Worms: the cosmos of a 16<sup>th</sup> century Miller (1980); review by Sam Cohn, Journal of Interdisciplinary History (1982); also Paola Zambelli, "From Menocchio to Piera della Francesca: the work of Carlo Ginzburg," The Historical Journal 28 (1985): 983-99.

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Timothy Chesters, Ghost stories in late Renaissance France: walking by night (2011)

David Sabean, Power in the Blood: popular culture and village discourse in early modern Germany (1984)

Tim Harris, ed., Popular Culture in England 1500-1850 (1995)

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\*Brian Levack, The witch-hunt in early modern Europe (3rd ed. 2006)

Keith Thomas, Religion and the Decline of Magic (1972); reviewed by E. P. Thompson, "Anthropology and the Discipline of Historical Context," Midland History, Vol. I, No. 3, pp. 41-55.

Jonathan Pearl, The Crime of Crimes: Demonology and Politics in France 1560-1620 (1999)

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Jonathan Klaitz, Servants of Satan: the age of witch hunts (1985)

Lyndal Roper, Witch craze: terror and fantasy in baroque Germany (2004)

Bengt Ankarloo, ed., Early Modern European Witchcraft: centres and peripheries (1990)--good geographical diversity

Jonathan Barry, Marianne Hester, and Gareth Roberts, eds., Witchcraft in early modern Europe: studies in culture and belief (1996)

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### **Popular print culture**

Roger Chartier, ed., The Cultural uses of print in Early Modern France (1987)  
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Geneviève Bollème, La bibliothèque bleue: littérature populaire en France du XVIIe au XIXe siècle (1971)  
Ian Green, The Christian's ABC: catechisms and catechizing in England 1530-1740 (1996)  
Margaret Spufford, Small books and pleasant histories: popular fiction and its readership in 17th-century England (1981)  
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### **Literacy**

David R. Olson and Nancy Torrance, eds., The Cambridge handbook of literacy (2009).  
Martyn Lyons, A history of reading and writing: in the western world (2010)  
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:**

Natalie Z. Davis, Women on the Margins: Three 17<sup>th</sup>-century lives (1995)  
Ian Maclean, The Renaissance Notion of Woman (1980)  
Mary Wiesner, Women and gender in early modern Europe (1993) [has a very recent new edition]  
Eleanor McLaughlin, "Equality of souls, inequality of sexes: woman in medieval theology" in Rosemary Ruether, ed., Religion and sexism : images of woman in Christian and Jewish traditions (1974): 213-66.  
Julie Hardwick, The practice of patriarchy: gender and the politics of household authority in early modern France (1998)  
Katherine Crawford, The sexual culture of the French Renaissance (2010)  
Clare Crowston, Fabricating women: the seamstresses of Old Regime France, 1675-1791 (2001)  
James R. Farr, Authority and sexuality in early modern Burgundy (1550-1730) (1995)  
Susan Broomhall, Women and the Book Trade in Sixteenth-Century France (2002)

## SESSION VIII: SCIENTIFIC REVOLUTION

### General:

Cambridge History of Early Modern Science (2006) -- including (among many other articles) \*Ann Blair, "Natural philosophy"

Ann Blair "Science and Religion," in Cambridge History of Christianity (

Roy Porter, ed., The Scientific Revolution in national context (1992)

Steven Shapin, The Scientific Revolution (1996)

Peter Dear, Revolutionizing the Sciences (2001)

John Henry, The Scientific Revolution and the Origins of Modern Science (1997)

David Lindberg and Robert Westman, eds., Reappraisals of the Scientific Revolution (1990)

Alexandre Koyré, From the closed world to the infinite universe (1968, c1957)

### On "revolution" and the history of science:

Roy Porter, "The Scientific Revolution: A Spoke in the Wheel?" in Revolution in History, ed. Porter and Teich (CUP 1986), pp. 290-316.

I.B. Cohen, Revolution in Science (1985)

Thomas Kuhn, The Structure of Scientific Revolutions (1962)

---, "Mathematical vs experimental traditions in the development of physical science" in The Essential Tension (1977)

---, "The History of Science" in International Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences (1968)

### Copernicus to Newton

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**Primary:** Copernicus, preface to De revolutionibus (tr. Edward Rosen)

\*Robert Westman, "The Astronomer's Role in the sixteenth century," History of science (1980)

---, "The Melanchthon circle: Rhetoric and the Wittenberg interpretation of the Copernican Theory," Isis (1975), 165-93.

Rob Iliffe, Newton: A very short introduction (2007)

Mario Biagioli, Galileo Courtier (1993)

---, "Galileo Emblem-Maker," Isis (1990)

Richard Blackwell, Galileo, Bellarmine and the Bible (1991)

### Bacon and Baconianism

Barbara Shapiro, A culture of fact: England 1550-1720 (2000)

---, 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)

Peltonen Markku, ed., Cambridge Companion to Bacon (1996)

Jan W. Wojcik, Robert Boyle and the Limits of Reason (1997).

Michael Hunter, The Royal Society and its Fellows (1994)  
---, Science and the Shape of Orthodoxy (1995)  
Lisa Jardine, Hostage to Fortune: the troubled life of Francis Bacon (1998)  
Richard Westfall, Science and Religion in 17th century England (1958): on rise of natural religion

### **Life sciences**

Nancy G Siraisi, Medieval and early Renaissance medicine: an introduction to knowledge and practice (1990)  
Roger French, William Harvey's Natural Philosophy (1994)  
Robert Frank, Harvey and the Oxford Physiologists (1980)  
Sachiko Kusakawa, "The Uses of Pictures in the Formation of Learned Knowledge: The Cases of Leonhard Fuchs and Andreas Vesalius," in Transmitting Knowledge: Words, Images, and Instruments in Early Modern Europe, ed. Kusakawa and Ian Maclean (2006): 73-96  
Katharine Park, Secrets of Women: Gender, Generation and the Origins of Human Dissection (New York: Zone Books, 2006).  
Brian Ogilvie, Describing Nature: natural history in Renaissance Europe (2006)  
Alix Cooper, Inventing the indigenous: local knowledge and natural history in early modern Europe (2007)

### **Artisanal and mercantile practices**

Pamela Smith and Paula Findlen, Merchants and marvels: commerce, science and art in early modern Europe (2002)  
Pamela H. Smith, The body of the artisan: art and experience in the scientific revolution (2004)  
Deborah Harkness, The Jewel House: Elizabethan London and the Scientific Revolution (2007)  
Paolo Rossi, Philosophy, technology, and the arts in the early modern era. 1970

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- \*James B Collins, The State in Early Modern France (rev. ed. 2009)  
William F. Church, Richelieu and Reason of State (1973)  
Joseph Bergin, The Rise of Richelieu (1991)  
Elizabeth Marvick, Louis XIII: the Making of a King (1986) [psychohistory]  
Orest Ranum, "Courtesy, Absolutism and the Rise of the French State 1630-60," Journal of Modern History 52 (1980): 426-51.  
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)  
Katherine Crawford, Perilous performances: gender and regency in early modern France (2004)  
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)  
David Parrott, Richelieu's army: War, government and society in France 1624-42 (2001)

### **Taxes and finances**

- Richard Bonney, "The failure of the French revenue farms, 1600-60," Economic History Review 32 (1979), pp. 11-32  
---, The limits of absolutism in ancien regime France (1995)  
\*---, Political Change in France under Richelieu and Mazarin 1624-61 (1978)  
James Collins, Fiscal limits of absolutism: direct taxation in early seventeenth-century France (1988)  
Daniel Dessert, "The Financier," in Rosario Villari, Baroque Personae (1995), pp. 57ff  
Gail Bossenga, "Markets, the Patrimonial State, and the Origins of the French Revolution," 1650-1850: Ideas, Aesthetics, and Inquiries in the Early Modern Era 11 (2005): 443-509.  
David Bien, "Offices, Corps, and a System of State Credit: The Uses of Privilege under the Ancien Regime," in Baker, ed., The political culture of the old regime, vol. 1 of The French Revolution and the Creation of Modern Political Culture (Oxford: Pergamon, 1987), 89-114.

### **Resistances to absolutism**

- \*Yves-Marie Bercé, The History of peasant revolts (1990)  
William Beik, Urban Protest in 17th-ct France: the Culture of Retribution (1997)  
François Billacois, The Duel: its rise and fall in early modern France (1990).  
Stuart Carroll, Blood and violence in Early Modern France (Oxford, 2006) + H- France forum on this book (Fall 2006), no. 3: <http://www.h-france.net/forum/forumvol1/Dewald%20on%20Carroll1.html>

### **Beyond France**

- Perez Zagorin, Rebels and Rulers 1500-1660 (1982)  
Geoffrey Parker and Lesley M Smith eds, The General Crisis of the 17th Century (1997)



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)  
Theodore Rabb, The Struggle for Stability in early modern Europe (1975)  
\*John H Elliott, "A Europe of composite monarchies," Past and present (1992), pp. 48-71  
John H Elliott, Richelieu and Olivares (1984)  
John Elliott and Lawrence Brockliss ed., The World of the Favourite (1999)  
J. H. Elliott, The Revolt of the Catalans (1966)  
I.A.A.Thompson and Barleme Yun Casalilla, The Castilian Crisis of the 17th Century (1994)  
Thomas Dandeleit, Spanish Rome, 1500-1700 (2001)  
Garrett Mattingly, Renaissance Diplomacy (1955)  
Robyn Adams, Rosanna Cox. ed Diplomacy and early modern culture, 2011

### **The Fronde--a revolution?**

Orest Ranum, The Fronde: a French Revolution 1648-52. (1993)  
A. Lloyd Moote, The Revolt of the Judges: the Parlement of Paris and the Fronde, 1643-52 (1971)  
Christian Jouhaud, Mazarinades: la Fronde des mots (1985), chose one chapter or two.  
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## **SESSION IX : 17TH CENTURY CULTURE**

### **New institutions--academies**

Roger Hahn, The anatomy of a scientific institution: the Paris Academy of Sciences, 1666-1803 (1971)

Anne Goldgar and Robert Frost eds., Institutional culture in early modern society (2004)

Daniel Roche, Le siècle des lumières en province: académies et académiciens provinciaux 1680-1789 (1978)

### **New institutions--salons**

\*Dena Goodman, "Enlightenment salons: the convergence of female and philosophic ambitions," Eighteenth-Century Studies 22 (1989): 329-50

Carolyn Lougee, Le paradis des femmes: women, salons and social stratification in 17th century France (1976)

Elizabeth Goldsmith, Exclusive conversations: the art of interaction in 17th century France (1988)

Antoine Lilti, Le monde des salons: sociabilité et mondanité à Paris au XVIIIe (2005)

Bronwen Wilson and Paul Yachnin. Making publics in early modern Europe : people, things, forms of knowledge, 2010.

### **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)

Geneviève Rodis-Lewis, Descartes: his life and thought (1998).

Stephen Gaukroger, Descartes: an intellectual biography (1997)

Thomas Lennon, Battle of the Gods and the Giants (1993): on Gassendists vs Cartesians

Sarasohn, Lisa T. "French Reaction to the Condemnation of Galileo, 1632-1642," in Catholic Historical Review 74 (1988) pp. 34-54.

Roger Ariew, "Damned If You Do: Cartesians and Censorship, 1663-1706," Perspectives on Science 2 (1994), pp. 255-74.

---, Descartes and the last scholastics (1999) [difficult!]

Garber, Descartes Embodied: Reading Cartesian Philosophy through Cartesian Science (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2001)

Stephen Gaukroger, Descartes: An Intellectual Biography (Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1997, originally 1995)

Klaas van Berkel and Albert van Helden, ed. A History of Science in the Netherlands: Survey, Themes, and Reference (Leiden: Brill, 1999)

Matthew Jones, The Good Life in the Scientific Revolution: Descartes, Pascal, Leibniz, and the Cultivation of Virtue (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2006)

Alan Gabbey, "The Mechanical Philosophy and its Problems: Mechanical Explanations, Impenetrability, and Perpetual Motion," Change and Progress in Modern Science, ed. J. C. Pitt (Dordrecht: D. Reidel Publishing Company, 1985): 9-84. more traditional presentation of Descartes

Erica Harth, Cartesian women: versions and subversions of rational discourse in the old regime

(1992)

Christoph Lüthy, "Where Logical Necessity Becomes Visual Persuasion: Descartes's Clear and Distinct Illustrations," Transmitting Knowledge: Words, Images, and Instruments in Early Modern Europe, ed. Sachiko Kusukawa and Ian MacLean (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2006): 97-133

William B. Ashworth, "Iconography of a New Physics," History and Technology, vol. 4 (1987): 267-297.

Tad Schmaltz, Radical Cartesianism: The French Reception of Descartes (Cambridge University Press, 2002)

---, ed. Receptions of Descartes: Cartesianism and Anti-Cartesianism in Early Modern Europe ed. Tad Schmaltz (New York: Routledge, 2005)

Verbeek, Descartes and the Dutch: Early Reactions to Cartesian Philosophy, 1637-1650 (Carbondale, IL: Southern Illinois University Press, 1992)

Rebecca Wilkin, "Figuring the Dead Descartes: Claude Clerselier's *Homme de René Descartes* (1664)," Representations, No. 83 (Summer 2003): 38-66.

Thomas Lenon, The battle of the gods and giants: the legacies of Descartes and Gassendi (1993)

Lynn Sumida Joy, Gassendi, the atomist: advocate of history in an age of science (1992)

Catherine Wilson, Episcopalianism at the origins of modernity (2008)

### **Science and learning:**

April G. Shelford . Transforming the republic of letters : Pierre-Daniel Huet and European intellectual life, 1650-1720, 2007

Peter Dear, Mersenne and the Learning of the Schools (1988)

Peter N. Miller, Peiresc's Europe: Learning and Virtue in the 17th century (2000)

Christian Licoppe, La formation de la pratique scientifique: le discours de l'expérience en France et en Angleterre (1996)

---, "The Crystallization of a New Narrative Form in experimental reports (1660-90)" Science in Context 7 (Summer 1994): 205-44.

Brendan Dooley. Morandi's last prophecy and the end of Renaissance politics, c2002.

### **Primary:**

\*Descartes, Discourse on Method

Fontenelle, Conversations on the plurality of worlds

### **Jansenism**

William Doyle, Jansenism: Catholic resistance to authority from the Reformation to the French revolution (2000)

Dale van Kley, The Jansenists and the expulsion of the Jesuits from France 1757-65 (1975)

---, The Religious Origins of the French Revolution: from Calvin to the Civil Constitution (1996)

Lucien Goldmann, The Hidden God (1964)--on Racine and Pascal [a classic, but dated]

Brian Strayer, Suffering saints: Jansenists and Convulsionnaires in France, 1640-1799 (2008) – not very analytical, but useful for the information.

**Primary:** Blaise Pascal, Pensées, best English edition is by Roger Ariew (Hackett, 2005)

### **French classical literature**

René Pintard, Le libertinage érudit (1943)  
 Emmanuel Bury, Littérature et politesse: l'invention de l'honnête homme 1580-1715 (1996)  
 Chantal Grell, Histoire intellectuelle et culturelle de la France du Grand Siècle, 1654-1715 (2000)  
 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)  
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 Peter Shoemaker, Powerful Connections: The Poetics of Patronage in the Age of Louis XIII (2007)  
 Christian Jouhaud, Les pouvoirs de la littérature, l'histoire d'un paradoxe (2000) OR Robert Schneider, "Political power and the emergence of literature: Christian Jouhaud's age of Richelieu" (review essay), *French Historical Studies* 25.2 (2002) 357-380  
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 ---, Trickster Travels: a sixteenth-century Muslim between worlds (2006)  
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David Mungello, Curious land: Jesuit accommodation and the origins of sinology (1989)

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Klaus Scholder, The birth of modern critical theology: origins and problems of biblical criticism in the 17th century (1990)

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Jeffrey Collins, The allegiance of Thomas Hobbes (2005)

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Vere Chappell ed., Cambridge Companion to Locke (1994)

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Louis Couturat, La logique de Leibniz d'après des documents inédits (1901) – classic study

Leroy Loemker, Struggle for synthesis: the 17th century background of Leibniz's synthesis of order and freedom (1972)

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Nancy Mitford, The Sun King (1966)

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---, Power and faction in Louis XIV's France (1988)

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John Lynn, The wars of Louis XIV 1667-1714 (1999)

Robert Berger, A Royal Passion: Louis XIV as Patron of Architecture (1994)

John Jeter Hurt, Louis XIV and the Parlements: the Assertion of Royal Authority (2002)

Peter Sahlins, Boundaries: the making of France and Spain in the Pyrenees 1659-1870 (1989)

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Jacob Soll, The Information Master: Jean-Baptiste Colbert's secret state intelligence system (2009)

Julian Swann, Provincial power and absolute monarchy: the Estates General of Burgundy, 1661-1790 (2003)

Darryl Dee, Expansion and crisis in Louis XIV's France : Franche-Comté and absolute monarchy, 1674-1715 (2009)

Sara E. Chapman, Private ambition and political alliances: the Phélypeaux de Pontchartrain family and Louis XIV's government, 1650-1715 (2004)

Michael P. Breen, Law, city, and king: legal culture, municipal politics, and state formation in early modern Dijon (2007)

**Primary:** Saint-Simon, Memoirs

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Louis Marin, Portrait of the King (1988)

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Elizabeth Hyde, Cultivated power: flowers, culture, and politics in the reign of Louis XIV (2005)

Chandra Mukerji, Territorial ambitions and the gardens of Versailles (1997)

---, Impossible engineering: technology and territoriality on the Canal du Midi (2009).

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\*Dorinda Outram, The Enlightenment (1995)  
Norman Hampson, The Enlightenment (1968)  
Roy Porter, The Enlightenment (2001) [only 90pp!]  
Dan Edelstein, The Enlightenment: a genealogy (2010)

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### **French 18th ct 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 century (1984)  
Daniel Roche. The people of Paris: an essay in popular culture in the 18th century (1987)  
**primary:** Jacques-Louis Menetra (a glassworker born in 1738), Journal of my life (1986)

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William Doyle, The French Revolution: a very short introduction  
---, Origins of the French Revolution (1980, revised 1999)  
Ronald Schechter ed., The French Revolution, essential readings (2001) -- excerpts of different interpretations on the causes of the French Revolution.  
François Furet and Mona Ozouf eds., A critical dictionary of the French Revolution (1989)

### **General French Enlightenment:**

\*Roger Chartier, Cultural Origins of the French Revolution (1990)  
William Doyle, Enlightenment and revolution: essays in honor of Norman Hampson (2002)  
Robert Darnton, Forbidden Best-sellers of Pre-revolutionary France (1995)  
\*---, The Great Cat Massacre (1984)  
---, George Washington's False Teeth: an unconventional guide to the Enlightenment (2003)  
---, "Social history of ideas" in his The Kiss of Lamourette (1990) (historiographical overview)  
Keith Michael Baker, Inventing the French Revolution: essays on French political culture in the eighteenth century (1990)  
Daniel Roche, France in the Enlightenment (1998)  
---, Le siècle des Lumières en province (1978)  
Dena Goodman, The Republic of Letters: a cultural history of the French enlightenment (1994)  
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Roy Porter, Enlightenment: Britain and the creation of the modern world (2000)  
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\*Thomas Howard, Protestant Theology and the Making of the Modern German University (2006)  
 Martin Mulrow, "Eclecticism or skepticism? a problem of the early enlightenment," JHI 58 (1997), 465-77  
 Ian Hunter, Rival Enlightenments: civil and metaphysical philosophy in early modern Germany (2001) -- difficult--look at a review too.  
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 Barbara Becker-Cantarino, German literature of the eighteenth century: enlightenment and sensibility (2005)  
 Thomas Ahnert, Religion and the origins of the German Enlightenment: faith and the reform of learning in the thought of Christian Thomasius (2006)  
 Benjamin Redekop, Enlightenment and Community: Lessing, Abbt and Herder and the quest for a German public (2000)  
 R. J. W. Evans, Austria, Hungary and the Habsburgs: Essays on Central Europe c 1683-1867 (OUP, 2006), esp. part I "Absolutist Enlightenment"  
 Kristian Jensen. Revolution and the antiquarian book : reshaping the past, 1780-1815, 2011.  
 Stefanie Stockhorst. Cultural transfer through translation : the circulation of enlightened thought in Europe by means of translation, 2010.

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#### SENSES/SENSATION/BODY

Heller-Roazen, Daniel, The inner touch: archaeology of a sensation (2007)  
 Alain Corbin, Time, desire and horror: towards a history of the senses (1995)  
 C. M. Woolgar, The senses in late medieval England (2006)  
 Daniel Roche. The culture of clothing : dress and fashion in the ancien regime (1994)  
 ---, History of everyday things: the birth of consumption in France, 1600-1800 (2000)

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##### Voltaire

Haydn Mason, Voltaire, a biography  
**Primary:** \*Voltaire, Letters on England

##### Montesquieu

Robert Shackleton, Essays on Montesquieu (collected in 1988, written earlier)  
 ---, Montesquieu: a critical biography (1961)

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\*Michel Foucault, "What is Enlightenment," Foucault Reader (1984), pp. 45-56.

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Keith Michael Baker and Peter Hanns Reill, What's Left of Enlightenment, a postmodern question (2001)

Daniel Gordon, ed., Postmodernism and the Enlightenment: new perspectives in 18th-century French intellectual history (2001)

**Primary:** 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]

James Van Horn Melton, The Rise of the Public in Enlightenment Europe (2001) -- survey on the public sphere

Margaret Jacob, "The Mental Landscape of the Public Sphere: A European Perspective," Eighteenth Century Studies 28 (1994): 95-113

Anthony la Vopa, "Conceiving a Public: Ideas and Society in Eighteenth-Century Europe," Journal of Modern History 64 (1992): 79-116.

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James M. Byrne, Religion and the Enlightenment : from Descartes to Kant. 1997

Carl Becker, The Heavenly City of the Eighteenth-Century Philosophers (1932)

Peter Gay, The Enlightenment: an interpretation (vol.1) (1966)

G. Cragg, The Church and the age of reason (1960)

Frank Manuel, The Eighteenth Century Confronts the Gods (1959)

Dale van Kley, The Jansenists and the expulsion of the Jesuits from France 1757-65 (1975)

---, The Religion Origins of the French Revolution: from Calvin to the Civil Constitution (1996)

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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)

Jacques Roger, The life sciences in 18<sup>th</sup>-century French thought (1963; in English 1997)

Terence Glacken, Traces on the Rhodian shore: nature and culture in western thought (1967)

P. Rossi, The Dark Abyss of Time: the History of the Earth and the History of Nations from Hooke

to Vico (1984)

Jessica Riskin, Science in the age of sensibility: the sentimental empiricists of the French Enlightenment (2002)

Lisbet Koerner, Linnaeus: Nature and Nation (1999)

Christopher Fox et al eds., Inventing human science: eighteenth-century domains (1995)

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)

Geoffrey V. Sutton, Science for a Polite Society: Gender, Culture, and the Demonstration of Enlightenment (Boulder, CO: Westview Press, 1995)

--- and Michael Lynn, Popular science and public opinion in eighteenth-century France (Manchester: Manchester University Press, 2006)

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#### **On Diderot and the Encyclopédie:**

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Frank Kafker, "The Recruitment of the Encyclopedists," Eighteenth-Century Studies 6 (1973), pp. 452-61

Richard Schwab, "The Diderot Problem, the Starred Articles and the question of Attribution in the Encyclopédie," Eighteenth-Century Studies (1969), pp. 240-85 and 370-438.

Anne Saada, Inventer Diderot : les constructions d'un auteur dans l'Allemagne des lumières (2003)

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J.G.A. Pocock, Barbarism and religion, 4 vols. (1999-2005), esp. vol 1: The enlightenments of Edward Gibbon 1737-64

### **La Mettrie**

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

### **D'Holbach:**

Alans Kors, D'Holbach's coterie: an Enlightenment in Paris (1976)

### **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  
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Frederick Beiser, The Fate of Reason (1987)

Paul Guyer ed., Cambridge Companion to Kant, introduction and "Kant's Intellectual Development  
1746-81"

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Graeme Garrard, Rousseau's Counter-Enlightenment: a republican critique of the Philosophes  
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Darrin McMahon, Enemies of the Enlightenment (2003)

Misc novels and movies of potential interest:

novels:

Françoise Chandernagor, The royal way (about Louis XIV and Mme de Maintenon)

Nick Dear, Power (about court politics)

Jostin Gaarder, Sophie's world: a novel about the history of philosophy (1994)

Movies:

The Return of Martin Guerre

Ridicule