

CONTEMPORARY CIVILIZATION READING LIST
CC READINGS--CC1101 Fall

[18 Sessions]

Plato, *Republic* (complete) [2 sessions minimum]

Aristotle, *Nicomachean Ethics and Politics* [2]

Roman and Hellenistic Philosophy: Epicurus, "Letter to Herodotus"; Cicero, *On Moral Ends*, I, 13-71; II, 27-44; III, entire. [1]

Hebrew Bible: *Exodus* 1-24, *Deuteronomy* 1-6; *Judges*, 4-10; *Ecclesiastes* (entire) [1]

New Testament: *Matthew* (entire), *Romans* (entire), *Galatians* (entire) [1]

Augustine, *City of God* [1]

The Qur'an [1]

Medieval Philosophy: Al-Ghazali, *The Rescuer from Error*; Ibn Tufayl, Selections from *Hayy ibn Yaqzan*; Thomas Aquinas, selections from *The Summa Against the Gentiles*, "On Kingship," and selections from *The Summa of Theology*; [1]

Machiavelli, *The Prince* and *The Discourses* [2]

Protestant Reformation [1]

New World: Vitoria, *On The American Indians*; de las Casas, *Apologetic History of the Indies* and *Thirty Very Juridical Propositions*; de Sepulveda, *Democrates Alter*; Or, *On the Just Causes for War Against the Indians* [1]

Descartes, *Meditations* OR *Discourse on Method* [1]

Hobbes, *Leviathan* [2]

Locke, *Second Treatise* [1]

Recommended Potential Additions:

Epictetus, *Handbook* (Hackett)

Julian of Norwich, *Revelations of Divine Love* (available on-line)

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READINGS—CC1102 SPRING

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Assignment over the break, to be discussed in first class of spring semester: Kant, "What is Enlightenment".

Hume, *Enquiry Concerning the Principles of Morals*; Newton, "Rules of Reasoning in Philosophy" [1]

Rousseau, *Discourse on Inequality and Social Contract* [2]

Smith, *Wealth of Nations* [1]

Kant, *Groundwork of the Metaphysics of Morals* [1]

Revolutions [2]

1. documents: Declaration of Independence, US Constitution, Declaration of the Rights of Man and the Citizen, Declaration of Rights of Women; Haitian Constitution of 1801
2. debates: Federalist Papers 10; Douglass, "What to the Slave is the Fourth of July?"; Robespierre, "On the Moral and Political Principles of Domestic Policy"; Sieyès, "What is the Third Estate?"; Bentham, "Anarchical Fallacies"
3. Burke, *Reflections of the Revolution in France, selections*.

Wollstonecraft, *A Vindication of the Rights of Woman* [1]

Tocqueville, *Democracy in America* [1]

Mill, *On Liberty* [1]

Marx, selections from the *Marx-Engels Reader* [1]

Darwin, selections from *Origin of Species and Descent of Man* [1]

Nietzsche, *On the Genealogy of Morals* [2]

Du Bois, *The Souls of Black Folk*; "Souls of White Folk" [1]

Freud, selections from *Freud Reader* [1]