CONTEMPORARY CIVILIZATION READING LIST 2018-2019
REQUIRED CC READINGS CC1101 FALL 2018

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

Aristotle, Nicomachean Ethics and Politics [2]

Exodus 1-24; Deuteronomy 1-6; 1 Samuel 2, 8-10, 17-20; Ecclesiastes [1]

Matthew 3-7, Romans (complete), Galatians (complete) [1]

Augustine, City of God [1]

The Qur’an [1]

Medieval Philosophy: Ibn Tufayl, Hayy ibn Yaqzan; Al-Ghazali, The Rescuer from Error;
pp. 30-38, 46-53 (CAMBRIDGE) [1]

Machiavelli, The Prince OR The Discourses [1]

Conquests in the Americas: The Requerimiento of 1513, Nahuatl accounts of the conquest of
Mexico (Book 12 of the Florentine Codex), Guaman Poma, “Appeal Concerning
the Priests,” Vitoria, On the American Indians (pp. 231-251, 264-65, 271-272, 277-291) [1] (all found online in CC Reader) [1]

Luther, “Preface to Romans,” “Concerning Government Authority,” “Twelve Articles of
the Swabian Peasants” (all found online on the CC reader) [1]

Scientific Revolution: Descartes, Introduction and Preface to the (French version of) The
Principles of Philosophy (found online in CC Reader) and Either Descartes,
Meditations on First Philosophy OR his Discourse on Method. [1]

Hobbes, Leviathan [2]

Locke, Second Treatise [1]

Rousseau, Discourse on Inequality and Social Contract [2]

Recommended Potential Additions:
Epictetus, Handbook (Hackett)
Hillerbrand, The Protestant Reformation

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Plato, Republic (Hackett)
Aristotle, Politics (Hackett)
New Oxford Annotated Bible with Aprocrpypha (Oxford)
Augustine, City of God (Penguin)
The Qur’an, Abdel Haleem ed. (Oxford)

Medieval Islamic Philosophical Writings (Cambridge)
Machiavelli, The Prince (Hackett) OR
Machiavelli, The Discourses (Penguin)
Descartes, Discourse on Method and Meditations on First Philosophy (Hackett)
Hobbes, Leviathan (Oxford)
Locke, Political Writings, Wootton, ed. (Hackett)
Rousseau, The Basic Political Writings (Hackett)
REQUIRED CC READINGS CC1102 SPRING 2019

[17 Sessions]

Smith, *Theory of Moral Sentiments*, I:1-3, II:1, III:1-2, 3§§ 1-25, IV:1, VI:3 (found online on CC Reader) [1]

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

Smith, *Wealth of Nations* [1]

American, French and Haitian Revolutions: US Declaration of Independence, US Constitution and Bill of Rights, French Declaration of Rights of Man and Citizen, Preface to the Constitution of 1793, The Haitian Declaration of Independence (1804) (all found online in CC Reader) [1]

Burke, *Reflections on the Revolution in France* [1]


Tocqueville, *Democracy in America*, Essay on Algeria (found online in CC Reader) [1]

Mill, *On Liberty* [1]

Marx, *The Marx-Engels Reader* [1]

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

Nietzsche, *On the Genealogy of Morals* [1]


Gandhi, “On self-rule” (*Hind Swaraj*) (found online in CC Reader) [1]


Fanon, “On Violence” in *The Wretched of the Earth* [1]

Foucault, *Discipline and Punish* [1]


Recommended Potential Additions:

Hume, *Enquiry Concerning the Principles of Morals*

Newton, “Rules of Reasoning in Philosophy” (online)

Freud, *Freud Reader*
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Smith, *Wealth of Nations* (Modern Library)
Kant, *Groundwork of the Metaphysics of Morals* (Cambridge)
Burke, *Reflections on the Revolution in France* (Oxford)
Wollstonecraft, *A Vindication of the Rights of Woman* (Oxford)
Tocqueville, *Democracy in America* (Penguin)
Mill, *On Liberty, Utilitarianism, and Other Essays* (Oxford)

Nietzsche, *On the Genealogy of Morals / Ecce Homo* (Vintage)
Arendt, *The Origins of Totalitarianism* (Harvest)
Schmitt, *The Concept of the Political* (Chicago)
Fanon, *The Wretched of the Earth* (Grove)
Foucault, *Discipline and Punish* (Vintage)
Patricia J. Williams, *Seeing a Color-Blind Future* (Farrar, Strauss, and Giroux)