CONTEMPORARY CIVILIZATION REQUIRED READING LIST
COCI 1101 FALL 2020

[19 sessions]

Race and Justice: David Walker, *Appeal to the Colored Citizens of the World* (1829); Frederick Douglass, “What to the Slave is the Fourth of July?” (1852) and “Extracts from a Lecture before Various Anti-Slavery Bodies in the Winter of 1855” (1855); Martin Luther King, “Letter from Birmingham Jail” (1963); James Baldwin “A Talk to Teachers” (1963); Angela Davis, “Political Prisoners, Prisons and Black Liberation” (1971) (all found online in the CC Reader) [1]

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

Aristotle, *Nicomachean Ethics and Politics* [2]

New Oxford Annotated Bible with Apocrypha, Exodus 1-24; Deuteronomy 1-6; 1 Samuel 2, 8-10, 17-20; Ecclesiastes [1]

New Oxford Annotated Bible with Apocrypha, Matthew 3-7; Romans (entire); Galatians (entire) [1]

Augustine, *City of God* [1]

The Qur’an [1]


Machiavelli, *The Prince or The Discourses* [1]


Luther, “Preface to Romans,” “Concerning Governmental Authority,” “The Twelve Articles of the Swabian Peasants,” "Friendly Admonition to Peace Concerning the Twelve Articles of the Swabian Peasants." (all found online in the CC Reader) [1]

Scientific Revolution: Descartes, Introduction and Preface to *The Principles of Philosophy* (French version) (found online in CC Reader); Descartes, *Discourse on Method or Meditations on First Philosophy* [1]


Locke, *Second Treatise* [1]


**TEXTS**

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

Descartes, *Discourse on Method and Meditations on First Philosophy* (Broadview Press)
Locke, *Political Writings*, Wootton, ed. (Hackett)
Rousseau, *The Basic Political Writings* (Hackett)