

COURSE PLAN DR MATTHEW LAUZON

Course title:	Economy in Early Modern France
Total number of contact hrs:	16
Total number of sessions:	4
Objectives:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the institutions, ideas, and practices associated with France's economy from 1500 to 1789 • Understand the industrious and commercial revolutions in France • Understand the contribution of the old regime's fiscal crisis to the French Revolution

Monday, 11 July 2016 Day 1: Early Modern France's Royal Finances

Timing	Contents	Learning Outcomes	Didactical Methodologies	Didactical tools
15 mins	Introductions, aims and objectives			
60 mins (1:15)	The early modern French state's fiscal institutions. Sources of royal revenues. Tax farms, financiers, sales of venal offices.	Understand the historical origins, development, practices and problems of France's fiscal institutions from 1500 to 1789.	Reading of primary and secondary sources with group discussion led by instructor.	Printed documentary sources.
60 mins (2:15)	Royal Expenditures. The emergence of a French fiscal military state.	Understand costs of early modern dynastic and imperial wars. Understand how those military costs contributed to the rise of a modern bureaucratic state.	Instructor-led group discussion. Group exercise charting the growth of the French army and mapping the extension of military commitments.	PowerPoint graphs and coloring maps.
45 mins (3:00)	Managing Mints and Counterfeiting Coins	Understand the creation and management of institutions to regulate the manufacture of money in early modern France.	Lecture / interactive discussion.	PowerPoint slides and handout.

Tuesday, 12 July 2016 Day 2: Poverty and Wealth in Early Modern France

Timing	Contents	Learning Outcomes	Didactical Methodologies	Didactical tools
15 mins	Aims and Objectives			
45 mins (1:00)	Patronage and the cultural and monumental symbols of royal glory	Understand what it meant to be a glorious king and why and how early modern French kings promoted their own glory.	Interactive lecture / discussion	Handout
45 mins (1:45)	The material and cultural consequences of the quarrel of the ancients and moderns.	Understand how early modern patronage operated and why and how various people participated in this patronage system to promote the French monarchy's glory.	Group activity to analyze early modern French monuments, their inscriptions and their iconography. Discussion of primary sources.	PowerPoint slides and printed primary documents.
45 mins (2:30)	Republicanizing glory during the French Revolution	Understand the consequences of the French Revolution for the economy of glory	Interactive lecture / discussion	PowerPoint slides and brief movie clips.
30 mins (3:00)	The Sans-Culottes' Critique of Speculators, Counterfeiters, and Army Contractors	Understand the anxieties over price gauging, corruption, and wealth during the French Revolution	Interactive lecture / discussion of the criticisms of royal expenditures and of the creation of the Pantheon	PowerPoint slides and printed primary documents.

Wednesday, 13 July 2016 Day 3: The Economies of Royal Glory

Timing	Contents	Learning Outcomes	Didactical Methodologies	Didactical tools
15 mins	Aims and Objectives			
30 mins (0:45)	The benefits and costs of early modern royal glory	Understand what it meant to be a glorious king and why and how early modern French kings promoted their own glory.	Interactive lecture / discussion	Handout
45 mins (1:30)	Patronage and the cultural and monumental symbols of royal glory	Understand how early modern patronage operated and why and how various people participated in this patronage system to promote the French monarchy's glory.	Group activity to examine and analyze early modern French monuments, their inscriptions and their iconography. Discussion of primary sources.	PowerPoint slides and printed primary documents.
45 mins (2:15)	The material and cultural consequences of the quarrel of the ancients and moderns.	Understand some of the important economic effects of early modern projects promoting royal glory.	Interactive lecture / discussion	PowerPoint slides and brief movie clips.
45 mins (3:00)	Republicanizing glory during the French Revolution	Understand the consequences of the French Revolution for the economy of glory	Interactive lecture / discussion of the criticisms of royal expenditures and of the creation of the Pantheon	PowerPoint slides and printed primary documents.

Thursday, 14 July 2016 : National Holiday – No Class

Friday, 15 July 2016 Day 4: Early Modern Credit and Economies of Regard

Timing	Content	Learning Outcomes	Didactical Methodologies	Didactical tools
15 mins.	Aims and Objectives			
30 mins. (0:45)	Ideas and Practices of Credit in early modern France	Understand how credit operated in early modern France	Interactive lecture / discussion	PowerPoint Slides and handout
30 mins. (1:15)	France's Early Modern Consumer Revolution	Understand the nature and extent of early modern France's consumer revolution and its consequences for the guild system	Interactive lecture / discussion	PowerPoint Slides and brief printed secondary source
30 mins (1:45)	Modernity and the Spread of Mirrors and 'populuxe' goods in early modern France	Understand the growing cultural anxieties over modernity and self-regard.	Interactive lecture / discussion	PowerPoint Slides and printed primary source
30 mins (2:15)	Old Regime France's Fiscal Crisis and Bankruptcy	Understand the old regime's fiscal failure that led to the Revolution in 1789	Interactive lecture / discussion	PowerPoint Slides
45 mins (3:00)	Exam			