

# Minnesota State University Moorhead

## HIST 317: Medieval Europe

### A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 4

Lecture Hours/Week: 4

Lab Hours/Week: 0

OJT Hours/Week: \*.\*

Prerequisites: None

Corequisites: None

MnTC Goals: None

An analysis of European history from 500 to 1450, focusing on the political, social, religious, and intellectual trends of the period. The early Germanic kingdoms, the medieval papacy, feudal relations, the expansion of towns and commerce, and the rise of national monarchies will receive particular emphasis.

**B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES:** 01/14/2013 - Present

### C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

1. Christianization of the Late Roman Empire
2. Rise of the Cult of Saints
3. Monasticism
4. The Crusades
5. Gender and Family
6. Education

### D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. To understand major trends in medieval history from the Late Roman period through the Late Middle Ages.
2. To understand the political narrative of the period.
3. To understand the historiographical scholarly debate concerning the rise of Christianity from the close of the Roman period into the Middle Ages.
4. To train students to read medieval texts and to understand them as highly discursive narratives.
5. To develop critical thinking skills by examining both texts and material culture items.
6. To develop skills in both oral and written communication.
7. To develop skills finding, interpreting, and organizing research.

### E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

None

### F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

### G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted