

Reading List for a Field in Medieval History

This list is both too long for a field and not even close to being comprehensive. So it is a starting point, a set of titles that each student will modify, adding and removing books, or sections, according to their particular goals and interests.

General

Barthélemy, Dominique. "The Year 1000 Without Abrupt or Radical Transformation," in *Debating the Middle Ages*

Bartlett, Robert. *The Making of Europe*

Bloch, Marc. *Feudal Society*. Trans. L. A. Manyon. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1961.

Bossy, John. *Christianity in the West*

Brown, Peter. *The Rise of Western Christendom*

Brown, Elizabeth A.R. "The Tyranny of a Construct: Feudalism and the Historians of Medieval Europe," *AHR* 79 (1974): 1063-1088.

Cameron, Avril. *The Mediterranean World in Late Antiquity*

Duby, Georges. *The Early Growth of the European Economy: Warriors and Peasants from the Seventh to the Twelfth Century*. Ithaca, N.Y.: Cornell University Press, 1974.

Duffy, Eamon. *The Stripping of the Altars*

Fichtenau, Heinrich. *The Carolingian Empire*

_____. *Living in the Tenth Century*

Freedman, Paul and Gabrielle Spiegel, "Medievalisms Old and New: The Rediscovery of Alterity in North American Medieval Studies," *AHR* 103 (1998): 677-704.

Geary, Patrick. *Before France and Germany*

Herlihy, David. *The Black Death and the Transformation of the West*. Ed. Samuel K. Cohn, Jr. Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard University Press, 1997.

Huizinga, J. *The Autumn of the Middle Ages*

Livi Bacci, Massimo. *The Population of Europe: A History*. Trans. Cynthia De Nardi Ipsen and Carl Ipsen. Oxford: Blackwell Publishers, 2000.

McKitterick, Rosamund. *The Frankish Kingdoms under the Carolingians*

McNeill, William Hardy. *Plagues and Peoples*. Garden City, N.J.: Anchor Press, 1976.

Pirenne, Henri. *Mohammed and Charlemagne* (New York, 1939)

Smith, Julia. "Did Women Have a Transformation of the Roman World?" *Gender and History* 12 (2000): 552-571.

_____. *Europe after Rome*

Southern, Richard W. *The Making of the Middle Ages*. New Haven: Yale University Press, 1953.

Wickham, Chris. "The Other Transition: From the Ancient World to Feudalism," *Past and Present* 103 (1984): 3-36.

Social, Political, and Cultural Hierarchies

Aberth, John, *From the Brink of the Apocalypse*

Bartlett, Robert.

Bartlett, Robert. *Trial by Fire and Water: The Medieval Judicial Ordeal*. Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1986.

_____. *The Hanged Man*

_____. *The Making of Europe: Conquest, Colonization, and Cultural Change, 950-1350* (London, 1993)

Bisson, Thomas N. *The Crisis of the Twelfth Century: Power, Lordship, and the Origins of European Government*. Princeton, N.J.: Princeton University Press, 2009.

Bloch, Marc. *The Royal Touch*

Blumenthal, Renate-Ute. *The Investiture Controversy*

Bouchard, Constance. *Strong of Body, Brave and Noble*

Brown, Elizabeth A.R. "The Tyranny of a Construct: Feudalism and the Historian of Medieval Europe," *AHR* 79 (1974): 1063-1088.

Buc, Philippe. *The Dangers of Ritual: between Early Medieval Texts and Social Scientific*

Theory (Princeton, 2001)

Cheyette, Fredric L. *Ermengarde of Narbonne*

Clanchy, Michael. *From Memory to Written Record* (2nd ed.)

Constable, Giles. *The Reformation of the Twelfth Century*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 1996.

Duby, Georges. *The Knight, the Lady and the Priest: The Making of Modern Marriage in Medieval France*. Trans. Barbara Bray. New York: Pantheon Books, 1983.

Duby, Georges. *Love and Marriage in the Middle Ages*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1994.

Buc, Philippe. *The Dangers of Ritual: between Early Medieval Texts and Social Scientific Theory* (Princeton, 2001)

Farmer, Sharon. *Surviving Poverty in Late Medieval Paris*

Freedman, Paul. *Images of the Medieval Peasant*

Geary, Patrick. *Phantoms of Remembrance*

Iogna-Prat, Dominique. *Order and Exclusion: Cluny and Christendom Face Heresy, Judaism, and Islam, 1000-1150* (Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 2002)

Haskins, Charles Homer. *The Renaissance of the Twelfth Century*. Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard University Press, 1927.

Hilton, Rodney. *Bond Men Made Free: Medieval Peasants and the English Uprising of 1381* (London, 1973).

Howell, Martha C. "The Spaces of Late Medieval Urbanity," in *Shaping Urban Identity in Late Medieval Europe*, ed. Marc Boone and Peter Stabel (Leuven, 2000), 3-23.

Jordan, William. *The Great Famine*

Kaeuper, Richard W. *Chivalry and Violence in Medieval Europe* (Oxford, 1999)

Kantorowicz . *The King's Two Bodies*

Keen, Maurice. *Chivalry* (New Haven, 1984)

Koziol, Geoffrey. *Begging Pardon and Favor: Ritual and Political Order in Early Medieval France* (Ithaca, NY, 1992)

Le Roy Ladurie, Emmanuel. *The Peasants of Languedoc*

_____. *Montaillou: The Promised Land of Error*. Trans. Barbara Bray. New York: Vintage Books, 1979.

Leyser, Karl. *Rule and Conflict*

Lynch, Katherine A. *Individuals, Families and Communities in Europe, 1200-1800* (Cambridge, 2003)

McNamara, JoAnn. "The *Herrenfrage*: The Restructuring of the Gender System 1050-1150," in *Medieval Masculinities: Regarding Men in the Middle Ages*, ed. Clare A. Lees (Minneapolis, 1994), pp. 3-29.

Mollat, Michel. *The Poor in the Middle Ages*

Moore, R. I. *The Formation of a Persecuting Society: Power and Deviance in Western Europe, 950-1250*. Oxford: Blackwell, 1987.

Nirenberg, David. *Communities of Violence*

Parsons, John Carmi. *Medieval Queenship*

Spiegel, Gabrielle. *Romancing the Past*

Sponsler, Claire. "The Culture of the Spectator: Conformity and Resistance to Medieval Performances," *Theatre Journal* 44 (1992), 15-29.

_____. *Drama and Resistance: Bodies, Goods, and Theatricality in Late Medieval England* (Minneapolis, 1997)

Stafford, Pauline. "Sons and Mother: Family Politics in the Early Middle Ages," in *Medieval Women*, ed. Derek Baker

Stock, Brian. *The Implications of Literacy*

Strayer, Joseph R. *On the Medieval Origins of the Modern State*. Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1970.

Tellenbach, Gerd. *Church, State and Society at the Time of the Investiture Controversy*

Ullmann, Walter. *Growth of Papal Government in the Middle Ages*

Winroth, Anders. *The Making of Gratian's Decretum*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2000.

Religion

Alphandéry, Paul and Alphonse Dupront. *La Chrétienté et l'idée de Croisade*, 2 vols. (Paris, 1954, 1959)

Bonde, Sheila and Clark Maines, *Saint-Jean-des-Vignes in Soissons: Approaches to its Architecture, Archaeology, and History*. Bibliotheca Victorina 15 (Turnhout, 2003)

Boswell, John. *Christianity, Social Tolerance, and Homosexuality*

Brown, Peter. *Body and Society*

_____. *Cult of the Saints*

Bulliet, Richard. *Conversion to Islam in the Medieval Period* (Cambridge, 1979)

Bynum, Caroline W. *Holy Feast, Holy Fast*

Carruthers, Mary. *The Book of Memory*

_____. *The Craft of Thought*

Chenu, Marie-Dominique. *Nature, Man and Society*

Elliott, Dyan. *Spiritual Marriage*

Erdmann, Carl. *The Origin of the Idea of Crusade*

Flint, Valerie. *The Rise of Magic in Early Medieval Europe*

Geary, Patrick. *Furta Sacra* (2nd ed)

Grundmann, Herbert. *Religious Movements in the Middle Ages*

Gurevich, Aaron. *Medieval Popular Culture*

Jansen, Katherine. *Making of the Magdalene*

Kedar, Benjamin Z. *Crusade and Mission: European Approaches toward the Muslims*

Le Goff, Jacques. *Time, Work, and Culture in the Middle Ages*

Leclercq, Jean. *Love of Learning and the Desire for God*

Little, Lester. *Religious Poverty and the Profit Economy*

- MacEvitt, Christopher. *The Crusades and the Christian World of the East*
- Morrison, Karl. *History as a Visual Art*
- Newman, Barbara. *From Virile Woman to Woman Christ: Studies in Medieval Religion and Literature*
- Remensnyder, Amy. *Remembering Kings Past*
- Rosenwein, Barbara. *To Be the Neighbor of Saint Peter*
- Rubin, Miri. *Corpus Christi: the Eucharist in Late Medieval Culture* (Cambridge, 1991)
- _____. *Gentile Tales: The Narrative Assault on Late Medieval Jews* (Philadelphia, 2004)
- Schmitt, Jean-Claude. *The Holy Greyhound*
- Smalley, Beryl M. *The Study of the Bible in the Middle Ages*
- Smith, Julia. "The Problem of Female Sanctity in Medieval Europe," *Past and Present* 146 (1995): 3-37.
- Tolan, John V. *Saracens: Islam in the Medieval European Imagination* (New York, 2002).
- Vauchez, André. *Sainthood in the Later Middle Ages*
- Vauchez, André, *The Laity in the Middle Ages: Religious Beliefs and Devotional Practices* (South Bend, 1993)
- Venarde, Bruce. *Women's Monasticism*