

## **LAW SCHOOL - GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY - ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA**

SYLLABUS - LEGAL HISTORY SEMINAR - 457-001 - Wednesday, 4:00-5:50pm

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Requirements: 2 Term Papers. 1<sup>st</sup> for period before 1500; 2<sup>nd</sup> for period after 1500.

Topics must be approved by the professor. Elaine Hawley IHS Librarian can help.

January 11 - Introduction - (Look at Sir Henry Maine, ANCIENT LAW, Ch. V  
(on reserve in IHS Library, 4th Floor, Law School))

January 18 - Ancient Law

January 25 - Greek/Roman Law-(Look at ENTERPRISE OF LAW Chapters 1, 2, 4 (on  
reserve in IHS Library, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Law School))

February 1 - Roman Empire/Justinian's Code – Harold Berman, LAW AND  
REVOLUTION (Volume I)

February 8 - Germanic Law - Bruno Leoni, FREEDOM AND THE LAW

February 15 - Scandinavian Law

February 22 - Anglo-Saxon Law - Richard Pipes, PROPERTY AND FREEDOM

March 1 - Common Law and English Constitutional Development

March 8 - Medieval Legal Institutions and Education

March 15 - Spring Recess

March 22 - Medieval Constitutionalism - 1<sup>st</sup> Term Paper Due

March 29 - Medieval Law Merchant - Robert Elickson, ORDER WITHOUT LAW

April 5 - English Legal History since 1485

April 12 - Early American Legal Development

April 19 - 19<sup>th</sup> Century American Constitutional Development -  
2nd Term Paper Due