This course will offer a graduate level introduction to the crusading era. Among the themes we will address will be the crusading expeditions, the Western European society that launched them, the Muslim world in which the crusaders arrived and where they set up several principalities, the impact of the crusades on interfaith relations in Europe, and the long term effects that crusading had on the Christian and Islamic worlds.

**Required Books**
Francesco Gabrieli, *Arab Historians of the Crusades* (Berkeley, 1984)  
-----, *The First Crusaders, 1095-1131* (Cambridge, 1997)  
Margaret Shaw, *Chronicle of the Crusades* (London, 1963)  

**Additional Readings on e-reserve**
This is a graduate level seminar with some fairly extensive reading assignments, which are to be completed by the dates posted on the syllabus—no exceptions. If you do not feel that you can keep up with the reading assignments, perhaps this class is not for you.

**Grades**
Class Participation: 20% (missing classes will impact this part of the grade. I expect every student to participate in every class)  
5-7 Page Book Review: 20% (on a book of your choice, which you must, however, clear with me—the list at the end of the syllabus is but a suggestion of possible options.)  
Leading a class discussion: 10%  
Final Research Paper: 20-25 Pages 50% *(due December 4th in class)*

**Aug. 28th - Introduction**

**Sept. 4th - Prelude to Crusading**
Richard, *The Crusades*, ch. 1  
John Bliese, “The Just War as Concept and Motive in the Central Middle Ages” in *Medievalia et Humanistica* 17 (1991) 1-25

**Sept. 18th - The First Crusade [234]**
Richard, *The Crusades*, chs. 2-3

**Sept 25th - Crusader Motivations**
J. Riley-Smith, *The First Crusaders*
-----, “Crusading as an Act of Love” in *History* 65 (1980) 177-192

**Oct. 2 - The Massacre of the Jews**

**Oct 9th - The Latin Kingdoms and the Muslim Reaction**
Richard, *The Crusades*, chs. 4-5
Francesco Gabrieli, *Arab Historians of the Crusades* (Berkeley, 1984) 73-84
Oct 16th - The Fall of Jerusalem and the Third Crusade
  Richard, ch. 6
  Yvonne Friedman, “Captivity and Ransom: The Experience of Women” in Gendering the Crusades ed. Susan B. Edgington and Sarah Lambert (New York, 2002) 121-139
  Francesco Gabrieli, Arab Historians of the Crusades (Berkeley, 1984) 114-237

Oct 23rd - The Conquest of Constantinople
  Richard, The Crusades, ch. 7
  Malcolm Barber, “Western Attitudes to Frankish Greece in the Thirteenth Century” in Crusaders and Heretics, 12th-14th Centuries (London, 1995) 111-128
  Chronicles of the Crusades, 7-157

Oct. 30th - Crusades against Christians
  Richard, ch. 8
  Norman Housley, “Crusades against Christians: Their Origins and Early Developments, c. 1000-1216” in Crusade and Settlement, ed. Peter Edbury (Cardiff, 1985)

BOOK REVIEWS DUE IN CLASS OCT 30th

Nov. 6th - Crusading in Spain
  Elena Lourie, “A Society Organized for War” in Past and Present 35 (1996) 54-76

Nov. 13th - Christians, Muslims and Jews in Spain
  David Nirenberg, Communities of Violence (Princeton, 1996)

Nov. 20th - Thirteenth Century Crusades
  Richard, The Crusades, chs. 9-10
  Chronicle of the Crusades, 163-354
  Francesco Gabrieli, Arab Historians of the Crusades (Berkeley, 1984) 284-303

Nov. 27th - The End of the Crusader States
  Richard, The Crusades, ch. 13 and Conclusion
  Francesco Gabrieli, Arab Historians of the Crusades (Berkeley, 1984) 307-350
Dec. 4\textsuperscript{th} – NO CLASS
Use the time off to work on your research papers. I will be in my office during class for anyone having last minute problems

Dec. 11\textsuperscript{th} - The Aftermath of Crusading
Elizabeth Siberry, “Images of the Crusades in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries” in J. Riley-Smith, The Oxford History of the Crusades, 363-384

**FINAL RESEARCH PAPER DUE IN CLASS DEC 11\textsuperscript{th}**

Possible Books for Book Review – A Very Limited List

Eric Christiansen, The Northern Crusades: The Baltic and the Catholic Frontier 1100-1525
Richard Fletcher, The Quest for El Cid (Oxford, 1989)
Benjamin Kedar, Crusade and Mission: European Approaches toward the Muslims (Princeton, 1977)
William Jordan, Louis IX and the Challenge of the Crusade: A Study in Rulership (Princeton, 1979)
Christoph T. Maier, Preaching the Crusades: Mendicant Friars and the Cross in the Thirteenth Century (Cambridge, 1994)

-----, The Knights of St. John in Jerusalem and Cyprus (London, 1967)
Steven Runciman, The Sicilian Vespers (Cambridge, 1958)
R. C. Smail, Crusading Warfare, 1097-1193 (Cambridge, 1956)
C. J. Tyerman, England and the Crusades, 1095-1588 (Chicago, 1988)