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DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

FACULTY OF ARTS

**Political Science/Religious Studies 441-L01
Apocalyptic and Millenarian Movements / Millenarian Movements**

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LECTURE LOCATION	SS 010
LECTURE TIMES	MW 1600 (75 minutes)
COURSE DESCRIPTION	A study of religious and political millenarianism. Persons such as Louis Riel, Thomas Müntzer, Karl Marx, and William Aberhart. Movements such as cargo cults, nativism, Seventh Day Adventists, Jehovah's Witnesses, and Nichiren Shoshu Buddhism. Cross-listed in Political Science and Religious Studies.
REQUIRED TEXTBOOK AND/OR MATERIALS	Jonathan Kirsch, <i>A History of the End of the World</i> , Harper SanFrancisco, 2006. Thomas Flanagan, <i>Louis 'David' Riel: 'Prophet of the New World,'</i> University of Toronto Press, revised edition, 1996. Edward Bellamy, <i>Looking Backward</i> , New American Library Signet Classic, 1960. Martha Lee, <i>The Nation of Islam: An American Millenarian Movement</i> , Syracuse University Press, 1996. Andrew MacDonald, <i>The Turner Diaries</i> , National Vanguard Books, 1980.

TO BE DISTRIBUTED IN CLASS

Excerpt from Yonina Talmon, "Millenarism," *International Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences*, Vol. 10, 1968, pp.349-362. Held in the stacks but for use only in the Mackimmie Library. H41 I56 1968 Vol. 10. Also, excerpts from the New Testament

GRADE DISTRIBUTION

Term Paper	40%
Midterm Exam	20%
Final Exam	40%
Total	100%

No single component is absolutely required to pass the course. However, missed examinations or assignment receive a mark of 0 out of 100, which is bound to have a major impact on the final course grade.

Assignments

Term Paper (15 typed pages plus title page and bibliography). Topics and format information to be posted on Blackboard.

Due in Class - Wednesday, December 8, 2010

GRADE SCALE

The Department of Political Science endeavours to ensure consistency of final grades across courses and sections. Variations in distribution will always be considered by the instructor where called for by the performance in each individual class. The student does not have any 'right' to a certain grade, but is responsible for earning grades. The instructor has unfettered discretion to evaluate student performance and assign all grades.

A+ = 95-100	B+ = 77-79	C+ = 67-69	D+ = 55-59
A = 85-94	B = 73-76	C = 63-66	D = 50-54
A- = 80-84	B- = 70-72	C- = 60-62	F = 0-49

EXAMINATION MIDTERM

Wednesday, October 27, in class

EXAMINATION FINAL

The final exam is scheduled by the Office of the Registrar during the exam period, December 13-22, 2010. No books or other aids are to be used in the exam.

**CLASS
PREPARATION &
BLACKBOARD**

Lectures focus on the material presented in the textbook and general discussion relating to the topic(s) outlined in the lecture schedule. Students are expected to read the assigned text chapters and readings before class, and be prepared for class discussion. Important information and additional readings may be posted on Blackboard. Students should regularly check the Announcements section of Blackboard for ongoing notices.

Your instructor may not necessarily cover all of the materials in the chapter, but it is the responsibility of the student to understand the concepts presented in the textbook and lectures. If you are unsure of any of the concepts, please take the initiative to ask the instructor during class.

**CONTACTING
YOUR
INSTRUCTOR**

Students requiring assistance are encouraged to speak to their instructor during class or during their office hours. Should you wish to meet with the instructor outside of office hours, please telephone or email the instructor to make an appointment. It is to the student’s advantage to keep such appointments.

**PROPER USE OF
EMAIL**

Email is commonly used by students to communicate with their instructor. However, it does limit the effectiveness of the communications and may not be the best way for instructors to answer student questions, especially those requiring an explanation of concepts covered in this course or some personal concerns. Therefore the instructor may request a telephone call or personal meeting. *Your instructor will inform you as to his/her expectations about emails.*

COURSE SCHEDULE		
Political Science/Religious Studies 441-L01		
DATE	TOPIC	CHAPTER
September 13-15	Introduction; prophecy and apocalypse; Christianity; Book of Revelation	Talmon; Kirsch, chs. 1-4, Appendix
September 20-22	History of millenarianism	Kirsch, chs. 4-6
September 27-29	Contemporary millenarianism	Kirsch, ch. 7
October 4-6	Metis background; Louis Riel’s youth	Flanagan, chs. 1-2
October 11	Thanksgiving—no classes	
October 13	Madness and prophecy	Flanagan, ch. 3-5
October 18-20	The North-West Rebellion	Flanagan, chs. 46-7
October 25	Riel—A Comparative View	Flanagan, ch. 8
October 27	MIDTERM EXAM	
November 1-3	Looking Backward	Bellamy
November 8-10	Looking Backward	Bellamy
November 11	Remembrance Day—no classes	

November 15-24	Black Muslims	Lee
Nov. 29-Dec. 8	Neo-Nazis	Turner Diaries
Scheduled by Registrar	FINAL EXAM	
<i>Final exams are scheduled by the Office of the Registrar</i>		
<p>Please note: <i>Three weeks before the end of the semester there will be an USRI (Universal Student Rating of Instructor) available for completion. By completing the evaluation you will assist us in improving our courses.</i></p>		

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Counselling and Student Development Centre:

The Counselling Centre focuses on three major areas; personal counselling, career development and academic success. Should you require assistance, please phone 220-5893 or review the website at: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/counselling/>

UNIVERSITY REGULATIONS

Writing:

Political Science courses often include essay assignments. In cases where such assignments are made, the quality of the writing, including presentation and grammar, may affect the grade. [See [E.2 Writing Across the Curriculum](#) statement.]

Academic Accommodation:

With regard to the University's [Academic Accommodation Policy](#), the Disability Resource Centre advises as follows: "It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodations. If you are a student with a documented disability who may require academic accommodation and have not registered with the [Disability Resource Centre](#), please contact their office at 220-8237. Students who have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre are not eligible for formal academic accommodation. You are also required to discuss your needs with your instructor no later than fourteen (14) days after the start of this course."

Academic Honesty:

[Academic honesty](#) is the cornerstone in the development of knowledge. A single offence of cheating, plagiarism or other academic misconduct on term work, tests or final examinations or assignments can lead to disciplinary probation, suspension or expulsion from the faculty by the dean. If a student allows his/her name to stand on group work when in fact there is essentially no contribution made, then that student is guilty of academic misconduct. Please refer to the current University Calendar for further details.

Plagiarism:

Using any source whatsoever without clearly documenting it is a *serious academic offense*. [See **2010-2011 Calendar, section K.2 (Plagiarism/Cheating/Other Academic Misconduct)**]. Consequences include *failure* on the assignment, *failure* in the course and *possibly suspension or expulsion* from the university. You **must** document not only direct quotations, but also paraphrases and ideas *where they appear in your text*. A reference list at the end is insufficient by itself. Readers must be able to tell exactly where your words and ideas end & other people's words & ideas begin. *Please consult your instructor or the Writing Centre (SS 110) if you have any questions regarding proper documentation of sources.*

PLEASE READ THE FOIP MESSAGE BELOW REGARDING THE RETURN OF PAPERS, ESSAYS, ETC.

The [Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy \(FOIP\)](#) legislation disallows the practice of having students retrieve assignments from a public place e.g., outside instructor's office, the department office, etc. Term assignments must be returned to students individually, during class OR during the instructor's office hours; if students are unable to pick up their assignments from the instructor, they may provide the instructor with a stamped, self-addressed envelope to be used for the return of the assignment. Assignments are **NOT** available in the General Office.

Examinations – Department Policy:

Regulations regarding final examinations can be found in [Section G. \(Examinations and Tests\)](#) of the Calendar. Students will submit their application and supporting documentation to **Enrolment Services, MLB 117** for approval.

Permission to reschedule midterm examinations, quizzes, and tests is normally given only in cases of illness, domestic affliction, or religious conviction. In such circumstances, you should inform the instructor as soon as possible and supply appropriate documentation. In the case of a missed midterm examination, quiz, or test, you must contact the instructor within 48 hours.

[Emergency Evacuation/Assembly Points](#)**[Students' Union Information:](#)**

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