



Syllabus

Week I: English Culture on the Eve of Colonization

Monday

Kupperman, Karen Ordahl. *Indians and English: Facing Off in Early America*. Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 2000. [Text on reserve]

Smith, John. *Captain John Smith: A Select Edition of His Writings*. Edited by Karen Ordahl Kupperman. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 1988, Parts I-II.

Tacitus, Cornelius. *The Description of Germanie* and *The Agricola*. Translated by W. Hamilton Fyfe. New York: Oxford University Press, 1908, Chapters 21-40.

Tuesday

Visiting Faculty: David Harris Sacks, Professor of History, Reed College

Martyr, Peter. *The Decades of the Newe Worlde*. London, 1555, 7r-8r.

More, Sir Thomas. *Utopia*. Edited by David Harris Sacks. Boston: St. Martin's Press, 1999.

Tacitus, Cornelius. *Annals*. Translated by John Jackson. Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 1925-37, Book III, Chapters 25-29.

The Four Voyages of Amerigo Vespucci. In Martin Waldseemüller, *Cosmographie Introductio*. Translated by Joseph Fischer and Franz von Wieser. New York: The United States Catholic Historical Society, 1907, 92-100.

Wednesday

Visiting Faculty: Emily Bartels, Associate Professor of English, Rutgers University

Leo Africanus. *A Geographical Historie of Africa*. Translated by John Pory, 1600.

Bartels, Emily C. "Othello and Africa: Postcolonialism Reconsidered." In *William and Mary Quarterly* 54 (1997): 45-64.

Othello [film adapted from Shakespeare's play]. Dir. Oliver Parker. Perf. Laurence Fishburne, Irène Jacob, Kenneth Branagh. Miramax, 1995.

Shakespeare, William. *The Tempest*. Edited by Barbara A. Mowat and Paul Werstine. New York: Washington Square Press, 1994.

Thursday

Hakluyt, Richard. *A Particuler Discourse concerninge the Greate Necessitie and Manifold Commodityes that are like to growe to this Realme of Englande by the Westerne Discoveries Lately Attempted, written in the yere 1584*. Edited by David B. Quinn and Alison M. Quinn. London: Hakluyt Society, 1993.

[Also in *The Original Writings and Correspondence of the Two Richard Hakluyts*. Edited by E. G. R. Taylor. London: Hakluyt Society, 1935].

Week II: Early Tentative Colonial Ventures

Monday

Raleigh, Sir Walter. *The Discoverie of the Large, Rich and Bewtiful Empyre of Guiana*. Annotated and Introduced by Neil L. Whitehead. Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 1997.

Tuesday

Visiting Faculty: Jane Landers, Assistant Professor of History, Vanderbilt University

Ribaut, Jean. *Discovereye of Terra Florida*. Translated by H. P. Biggar. In *English Historical Review* XXXII (1917): 253-270.

[A facsimile edition was published together with Biggar's version by the Florida Historical Society, *Publications of the Florida State Historical Society* 7, 1927].

Elliot, J.H. *Spain and Its World, 1500-1700*. Part I. New Haven: Yale University Press, 1989.

Lyon, Eugene. *Pedro Menéndez de Avilés*. Spanish Borderlands Sourcebooks. Vol. 24. New York: Garland Publishing, 1995.

[see especially]:

- Pedro Menéndez' Memorial to King Phillip II about the Necessity to Settle Florida.
- Report of the Governor of Jamaica on the Florida Frenchmen Captured in Jamaica.
- Interrogation of French Mutineers, Escaped from Florida, Who Were Captured by the Spaniards.
- Pedro Menéndez' Letter to King Philip II of October 20, 1566
- The Spy's Report of Jean Ribault's 1565 Reinforcement for Florida.

Escalante Fontaneday, Hernando d'. *Memoir of Do. D'Escalante Fonteneda Respecting Florida*. Edited by David O. True. Coral Gables, Florida: Glade House, 1945.

Weber, David J. *The Spanish Frontier in North America*. New Haven: Yale University Press, 1992.

[see especially Introduction and Chapters 1, 2, and first half of Chapter 3].

Wednesday-Thursday

Visiting Faculty: Walter Woodward, Director of Education, Plimoth Plantation

Electronic resources:

<http://jefferson.village.virginia.edu/vcdh/jamestown/>

<http://www.apva.org/>

Woodward, Walter. "Jamestown Estates." *William and Mary Quarterly* XLVIII (1991): 116-17.

Week III: Colonies Around the North Atlantic Rim

Monday

Quinn, David B. and Alison M. Quinn. *The First Colonists: Documents on the Planting of the First English Settlements in North America, 1584-1590*. Raleigh: North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources, 1983.

[see especially]:

- Arthur Barlowe, *The First Voyage Made to the Coastes of America*.
- Ralph Lane, *An Account of the Particularities of the Employments of the English Men Left in Virginia*.
- Thomas Hariot, *A Briefe and True Report of the New Found Land of Virginia*.

[This collection was earlier published under the title *Virginia Voyages from Hakluyt*, and the documents are also available in vol. I of David B. Quinn, ed., *The Roanoke Voyages, 1584-1590*, 2 vols. London, 1955].

Tuesday, July 4 holiday

Wednesday

Visiting Faculty: Andrew Hadfield, Professor of English, University of Wales, Aberwystwyth

Canny, Nicholas. *Kingdom and Colony: Ireland in the Atlantic World, 1560-1800*. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 1988. [see Introduction].

Hadfield, Andrew. *Literature, Travel, and Colonial Writing in the English Renaissance, 1545- 1625*. New York: Oxford University Press, 1998. [see especially Chapter 2].

Quinn, David B. and Alison M. Quinn. *The First Colonists: Documents on the Planting of the First English Settlements in North America, 1584-1590*. Raleigh: North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources, 1983.

[see especially John White's letter to Richard Hakluyt, 4 February, 1593].

Shuger, Debora K. "Irishmen, Aristocrats, and Other White Barbarians." *Renaissance Quarterly* 50 (1997): 494-525.

Spenser, Edmund. *A View of the Present State of Ireland* (1598). Edited by Andrew Hadfield and Willy Maley. New York: Oxford University Press, 1997.

Thursday

Visiting Faculty: Dominique Deslandres, Professor of History, Université de Montréal

Champlain, Samuel. *The Works of Samuel de Champlain*. Bilingual Edition. 6 vols. Edited by H. P. Biggar. Toronto: The Champlain Society, 1922.

[see especially]:

- Vol. I: "Brief Narrative," 1-80.
- Vol. II: "Of Savages," 91-189.
- Vol. III: Chapters 1-2, 247-266.
- Vol. IV: Chapter 1, 1-30; Chapter 3, 37-42; Chapters 5-7, 48-70; Chapter 8, 78-79; Chapters 9-11, 80-120; Chapter 12; Chapter 13, 135-52. Book 4: Chapter 1, 163-70; Chapter 2, 176-96; Chapters 7-8, 244-338.
- Vol. V: Chapter 1, 1-10; Chapter 5, 57-80; Chapter 8, 103-108. Book 2: Chapter 1, 141-156. Chapters 3-6.

Trigger, Bruce G. "Champlain Judged by His Indian Policy: A Different View of Early Canadian History." *Anthropologica* 13 (1971): 85-113.

Young, Brian and John A. Dickinson. *A Short History of Quebec: A Socio-Economic Perspective*. Toronto: Copp, Clark & Pitman, 1988, 13-34.

Week IV: Tracks on the Land

Monday

Haile, Edward Wright, ed. *Jamestown Narratives: Eyewitness Accounts of the Virginia Colony*. Champlain: Roundhouse Press, 1998.

[see especially]:

- Captain John Smith. *The Generall Historie of Virginia, New-England and the Summer Isles* (1624), Book III, 215-349.
- George Percy. "A Trew Relacyon of the Procedeinges and Ocurrentes of Momente which have hapned in Virginia from the Tyme Sir Thomas Gates was shippwrackte uppon the Bermudes anno 1609 untill my departure outt of the country which was in anno Domini 1612," 497-519.
- Henry Spelman. "Relation of Virginea" (c. 1613), 481-95.

Roundtree, Helen C. *The Powhatan Indians of Virginia: Their Traditional Culture*. Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 1989.

Tuesday-Wednesday: Jamestown site visit.

Smith, John. *Captain John Smith: A Select Edition of His Writings*. Edited by Karen Ordahl Kupperman. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 1988. [see especially parts III-IV]

Thursday

Pory, John. "A Reporte of the Manner of Proceeding in the General Assembly convened at James City." In *Records of the Virginia Company of London*. 4 vols. Edited by Susan Myra Kingsbury. District of Columbia: Government Printing Office, 1906-1935.

Week V: Crawling Towards Success

Monday

Haile, Edward Wright, ed. *Jamestown Narratives: Eyewitness Accounts of the Virginia Colony*. Champlain: Roundhouse Press, 1998.

[see especially]:

William Strachey, *A True Reportory of the Wrack and Redemption of Sir Thomas Gates* (1610), 381-443.

Tuesday

Visiting Faculty: James Axtell, Kenan Professor of Humanities, College of William and Mary

Axtell, James. *After Columbus*. New York: Oxford University Press, 1988. [see Chapter 10].

Haile, Edward Wright, ed. *Jamestown Narratives: Eyewitness Accounts of the Virginia Colony*. Champlain: Roundhouse Press, 1998.

[see especially]:

- Ralph Hamor. *A True Discourse of the Present Estate of Virginia* (1615), 792-840.

- John Rolfe, "The coppie of the Gentle-mans letters to Sir Thomas Dale, that after married Powhatans daughter, containing the reasons moving him thereunto," 850-56.

Quitt, Martin H. "Trade and Acculturation at Jamestown, 1607-1609: The Limits of Understanding." *William and Mary Quarterly* 52 (1995): 227-58.

Wednesday

Visiting Faculty: James Horn, Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture

Fausz, J. Frederick. "'An Abundance of Blood Shed on Both Sides:' England's First Indian War, 1609-1614." *Virginia Magazine of History and Biography* 93 (1990): 3-56.

Haile, Edward Wright, ed. *Jamestown Narratives: Eyewitness Accounts of the Virginia Colony*. Champlain: Roundhouse Press, 1998.

[see especially]:

- Virginia Company, *A True Declaration of the Estate of the Colonie in Virginia, with a confutation of such scandalous reports as have tended to the disgrace of so worthy an enterprise* (1610), 468-77.
- John Rolfe, *A True Relation of the State of Virginia Lefte by Sir Thomas Dale Knight in May last 1616*, 865-77.

Konig, David. "Dale's Laws." *American Journal of Legal History* 26 (1982): 354-76.

Morgan, Edmund S. *American Slavery, American Freedom*. New York: Norton, 1975, Chapter 4.

Oberg, Michael. *Dominion and Civility: English Imperialism and Native America*. Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 1999, 48-68.

Quinn, David B. and Alison B. Quinn, eds. *New American World*. 5 vols. New York: Arno Press, 1979, Vol. 5.

[see especially]:

- "Instructions for Sir Thomas Gates," May 1609, 212-17.
- Robert Johnson, *Nova Britannia* (1609), 235-48.

Thursday

Walter W. Woodward on building a website for this summer institute.

Week VI: Stability and Extension

Monday

Visiting Faculty: Ian Smith, Assistant Professor of English, Lafayette College

Brown, Kathleen M. *Good Wives, Nasty Wenches, and Anxious Patriarchs: Gender, Race, and Power in Colonial Virginia*. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 1996.

Chapman, George. *The Memorable Masque* (1613). In *Works: The Plays and Poems of George Chapman*. Edited by Thomas Marc Parrott. New York: Routledge, 1910-14.

Donne, John. *A Sermon Preached to the Honourable Company of the Virginian Plantation*. In *Five Sermons Upon Special Occasions*. London: 1626.

Drayton, Michael. "To Master George Sandys, Treasurer for the English Colony in Virginia" and "Ode. To the Virginia Voyage." In *Poems*. Edited by John Buxton. New York: Routledge, 1953.

Jonson, Ben and Inigo Jones. "The Vision of Delight" (1617). In *Ben Jonson: Selected Masques*. Edited by Stephen Orgel. New Haven: Yale University Press, 1970, 149-59.

Ligon, Richard. *A True & Exact History of the Island of Barbadoes*. London: 1657, 1673. Chapters, 7-18.

Tuesday

Visiting Faculty: John Murrin, Professor of History, Princeton University

[Nota Bene: Many of the documents in the three following primary sources are available at

<http://jefferson.village.virginia.edu/vcdh/jamestown/>. Paper copies for purposes of comparison will be on reserve at the Folger].

Billings, Warren, ed. *The Old Dominion in the Seventeenth Century: A Documentary History of Virginia, 1606-1689*. Chapel Hill: University of North

Carolina Press, 1975, 127-74.

Richard Frethorne to his mother and father, March-April (1623). In *Records of the Virginia Company of London*, 4 vols. Edited by Susan Myra Kingsbury. District of Columbia: Government Printing Office 1906-1935, IV, 58-62.

Virginia's first comprehensive slave code (1705). In *Statutes at Large of Virginia* (1809-23), III, 447-62. Edited by W. W. Hening.

[All laws concerning slavery in the first century are on the web at <http://jefferson.village.virginia.edu/vcdh/jamestown/laws1.html#5>].

Thornton, John. "The African Experience of the '20. and Odd Negroes' Arriving in Virginia in 1619." *William and Mary Quarterly* 55 (1998): 421-34.

Wednesday

Visiting Faculty: Ira Berlin, Professor of History, University of Maryland

Berlin, Ira. *Many Thousands Gone: The First Two Centuries of Slavery in North America*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 1998.

—. "From Creole to African: Atlantic Creoles and the Origins of African-American Society in Mainland North America." *William and Mary Quarterly* 53 (1996): 251-88.

Thornton, John. *Africa and Africans in the Making of the Atlantic World, 1400-1800*. 2nd ed. Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 1998.

Thursday

Breen, T. H., ed. "George Donne's Virginia Reviewed: a 1638 Plan to Reform Colonial Society." *William and Mary Quarterly* 30 (1973): 449-66.

Kupperman, Karen Ordahl, ed. *Captain John Smith: A Select Edition of His Writings*. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 1988. Part V.