STMA 518 Reformation: The World Turned Upside Down
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The sixteenth century was one of the most exciting and conflicted periods of the history of Christianity. Medieval Christianity collapsed as it had been known. Reformers from both Catholic and Protestant perspectives set the tone for the modern church. The vision of unity was gone. Great theological, social and cultural differences arose. This course will examine those developments and assess where we are today because of them.

Requirements:
1. Read the texts for the day assigned and be prepared to discuss them actively in class.
2. A 2 page "position" paper on an issue that struck you from the readings for the day reflected on in light of all the readings for the day. We will use these as the basis of discussion for the week - to be turned in at the end of class for each week.
3. An 8-10 page paper reflecting on how your understanding of your tradition has grown or changed in light of the course. Due June 13.

Texts: The following texts have been ordered for this class.
Lindberg, Carter. *The European Reformations*
Lindberg, Carter (ed). *The European Reformations Sourcebook*
Other readings will be provided in handout package.

Course Outline

April 3 **Introduction to the class**
The late medieval situation
For more information see Lindberg, ch. 2 and Sourcebook, ch.1

April 10 **Luther**
Lindberg, ch.3
Sourcebook, ch. 2
Readings in HerStory, pp. 68-72, 75-76 (handout)

April 17 **Lutheranism**
Lindberg, ch 4, 9
Sourcebook, ch. 3, 8
Handout - Argula von Grumbach

April 24 **No Class: University Mission Day**

May 1 **Zwingli**
Lindberg, ch. 7
Sourcebook, ch. 6

May 8 **Radical Reformation**
Lindberg, ch. 6, 8
Sourcebook, ch 5, 7
Joyce Irwin,Womanhood in Radical Protestantism(selections)
Martyrdom of Elizabeth of Leeuwarden
Marriage and adultery among Hutterites

May 15 **John Calvin**
Lindberg, ch.10 -12
Sourcebook, ch. 9-11
Readings in HerStory, pp. 72-74,76-79 (handout)

May 22 **Catholic Reformation**
Lindberg, ch. 14
Sourcebook, ch. 13

May 29 **Reformation in Great Britain**
Lindberg, ch. 13
Sourcebook, ch. 12

June 5 **So What?**
Lindberg, ch. 5 &15
Sourcebook, ch. 4 & 14