Autumn 2018
Short Course Programme

COURSE INFORMATION

HISTORY

Early and Later Stuarts
Rebecca Warren PhD MA MPhil. PGCHE

Popery, Potions and Pilgrims
4 weeks: 1, 8, 15, 22 October
Mondays 11am – 1pm
Course code: 18TON363 Course fee: £60

A Tale of Two Brothers
3 weeks: 12, 19, 26 November
Mondays: 11am – 1pm
Course code: 18TON365 Course fee: £50

These related courses explore the seventeenth century - a period of radical social change, sometimes regarded as witnessing the birth of the modern world. Either or both courses may be taken.

Popery, Potions and Pilgrims
We will consider the reigns of James I and Charles I up to the outbreak of the Civil War in 1642 by looking at four themes:

- the divisive effect of anti-Popery and its role in the descent into civil war
- the struggle for power between king and parliament.

In both topics we will consider why James I was more successful than Charles at maintaining peace in the three kingdoms.
We will also explore:

- belief beyond the church and the phenomenon of witchcraft
- the hunt for religious freedom and the experience of New World pilgrims.

A Tale of Two Brothers
This course will cover the reigns of Charles II and James II up to the Glorious Revolution of 1688, looking at three themes:

- understanding the Restoration and the troubled rule of Charles II
- The Exclusion Crisis and the abdication of James II.

In these topics we will be looking beyond the image of Charles II as ‘merry monarch’ to discuss the destructive legacy of the civil war on both kings and how the unsettled matter of religion caused the Stuart dynasty to collapse.
We will also explore:

- Coffee-house Culture and the birth of the modern society.

Note: these courses are intended as complimentary to our recent courses on Voices from the Civil War and on Oliver Cromwell, therefore they will not cover the Civil War or the Interregnum in detail.
**Suggested reading**

No preliminary reading is required, but a familiarity with the period through general texts may enhance your experience.

**Additional information**

- No prior knowledge necessary
- Suitable for beginners and intermediates
- This course allows you to spend time exploring a subject for interest, among like-minded people, without formal assessment
- There will be discussion activities during the courses

**Intended learning outcomes**

You will gain a good understanding of the key themes in the religious and political life of seventeenth century England.

You will the opportunity to explore in depth several specific topics that particularly characterise Stuart England.

You will become familiar with a variety of original documents that illustrate the points under discussion, and the course will include extensive use of visual images.

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**About the tutor**

Rebecca is an Early Modern religious historian, specialising in the period of the English Civil War and the Protectorate of Oliver Cromwell. Her PhD was on the subject of the English church in the 1650s. Her Masters’ thesis investigated the relationship between Church and State, focusing on the city of Canterbury in the fifteenth century. She has taught several undergraduate courses at the Canterbury campus on a range of late medieval and early modern topics, and given numerous papers on different aspects of late medieval and early modern religious history to academic and general interest audiences. She also has degrees in Landscape Architecture and maintains a strong interest in landscape and architectural history.
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General information, terms & conditions

How to book a place
These courses are usually very popular so you are advised to apply as soon as possible. Places cannot be held without payment of the course fee.

- Online Booking is preferred. Please visit www.kent.ac.uk/tonbridge
- By post to us at the address below, using the application form in the programme booklet. Please note that you will not receive an acknowledgment of your paper application; your payment will usually be processed when the course becomes financially viable, otherwise we will notify you of cancellation approximately seven days prior to the course. A paper application affirms acceptance of our terms & conditions.

Course cancellation
As these short courses are self-financing, each course can only proceed if there are sufficient enrolments. Therefore, if a course is cancelled due to insufficient enrolments we aim to notify applicants approximately one week before the course start date; if there is no suitable alternative course, we will refund the appropriate course fee in full. The University of Kent reserves the right to cancel a course for this or any other reason in which case the relevant course fee will be refunded in full. We advise that you do not purchase books or other course materials until that particular course is confirmed as taking place: please contact us if you are unsure.

If you find it necessary to cancel your place on a course, please let us know as soon as possible. Refund requests, including the reason, should be made by email or in writing to us at the address below. We reserve the right to retain all or part of the course fee if you request a refund after 14 days of your online booking being made or paper application being received. Discretionary, partial refunds may be made, after the deduction of an administrative handling fee as follows:

- a course fee of up to and including £42 will incur an administrative handling fee of £10.00
- a course fee of £43 and over will incur an administrative handling fee of £12.50.

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- exclude any student if the student’s presence is making it difficult for the class to function properly
- cancel or amend the length of any course if the circumstances so warrant.

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- Refreshments are not provided; food and drink can be purchased from any of the nearby café outlets - we are closely situated to the High Street and town centre. A hot drink vending machine is usually available on the ground floor of this building.

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Please contact us if you have any queries or would like to register your email address to receive our course information updates. We look forward to welcoming you here soon.

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