Introduction: This course deals with selected topics in European Economic History. It is not a systematic survey course of the topic, as such a survey would take at least a full year. It deals primarily with the post 1750 period, and even there it will only deal with a sample of issues.

Requirements: There will be a midterm exam and a paper. The midterm will be a 2 hour exam on the material in the readings in the first 6 weeks. A full-sized paper, due at the latest in December 2001, should be a research paper and will carry most of the credit and will be graded on the basis of originality and publishability.

Outline and readings: (all items are available in packet with the exception of The British Industrial Revolution: an Economic Perspective which is available from the Norris bookstore and partially on my website)

WEEK 1: The premodern European Economy


WEEK 2: The Industrial Revolution: Definitions and Essential Economic Processes


5. R. Floud and D. McCloskey, eds., The Economic History of Britain Since 1700, 2nd ed., Vol. 1, chs. 2 (Mokyr), 3 (Crafts), 10 (McCloskey)

WEEK 3: The Industrial Revolution: Growth and Markets


WEEK 4: The Industrial Revolution: Welfare Implications


WEEK 5: The European Continent and the second Industrial Revolution

1. Mokyr, Lever, ch. 6, pp. 113-148

3. François Crouzet, "France" in Teich and Porter, eds, *The Industrial Revolution in National Context*


**WEEK 6: The Industrialization of the European periphery and the convergence of growth**


3. Teich and Porter, eds., *The Industrial Revolution in National Context*, chs. 7 (Italy, by Poni and Mori); Ch. 8 (Spain by Tortella); Ch. 14 (Russia, by Munting)

**WEEK 7: The Interwar Economy in Europe**

1. Charles Feinstein, Peter Temin and Gianni Toniolo, *The European Economy Between the Wars.*


**WEEK 8: Population Models: Traditional Europe.**


**WEEK 9: The Demographic Revolution**


**WEEK 10: The Great Mortality Puzzle**


