

TIMETABLE HISTORY

Week Beginning 7 Feb

Seminar 4 pm GMT Thursday 10 Feb

Orientation and tasks

16.00-16.30 Expectations of the module and essay titles. The Forum. The University Library, Astrology in Time and Place, Culture and Cosmos
What is historiography?

16.30-17.00 For discussion

Reiner, Erica, *The Uses of Astrology*, Journal of the American Oriental Society, Vol. 105, No. 4 (Oct. - Dec., 1985), pp. 589-595
JSTOR

17.00-17.30

Neugebauer, Otto, 'The History of Wretched Subjects', *Isis*, vol. 42, June 1951, JSTOR

17.30-18.00 Essay 1 thoughts

1.Week Beginning 14 Feb

Seminar 4 pm GMT Thursday 17 Feb

16.00-16.30 Babylonian Astrology: General Discussion

16.30-17.00

Discussion Oppenheim, A.Leo., 'A Babylonian Diviner's Manual', *Journal of Near Eastern Studies*, Vol. 33, January-October 1974, pp 197-220; JSTOR The 'Diviner's Manual' text is on pp. 202-5

Koch-Westenholtz, Ulla, 'The Meaning of Time: Mesopotamian Calendar Divination', in Nicholas Campion and Dorian Gieseler Greenbaum (eds), *Astrology in Time and Place: Cross-Cultural Currents in the History of Astrology* (Newcastle: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2016), pp. 189-216.

17.00-17.30.

James Evans Introduction and chap 1

17.30-18.00 Essay 1 titles

2.Week Beginning 21 Feb

Seminar 4 pm GMT Thursday 24 Feb

16.00-16.30 Greek Astrology: General Discussion

16.30-17.00

Pingree, David, 'Hellenophilia versus the History of Science', *Isis*, 83 (1992), 554-563.
JSTOR

17.00-17.30

Vettius Valens, *Anthology*, translated Mark Riley 2010.

<http://www.csus.edu/indiv/r/rileymt/Vettius%20Valens%20entire.pdf>

Book 1, sections 1-3.

17.30-18.00 Essay 1 titles

3.Week Beginning 28 Feb

Seminar 4 pm GMT Thursday 3 March

16.00-16.30 Astrology in the Islamic world general discussion

16.30-17.00

Discussion: Liba Taub, 'Review: The Rehabilitation of Wretched Subjects', Reviewed work(s): *Ancient Astrology* by Tamsyn Barton; *Power and Knowledge: Astrology, Physiognomics, and Medicine in the Roman Empire* by Tamsyn Barton, *Early Science and Medicine*, Vol. 2, No. 1 (1997), pp. 74-87

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17.00-17.30

Student presentation: Jabir ibn Hayyan, *The Emerald Tablet of Hermes*

<http://www.levity.com/alchemy/emerald.html>

Liana Saif

17.30-18.00 Essay 1 discussion

4.Week Beginning 7 March

Seminar 4 pm GMT Thursday 10 March

16.00-16.30 Medieval cosmology: general discussion

16.30-17.00.

Discussion based on Chris's lecture on Roger of Hereford..

17.00-17.30

Student presentation: a time-keeping device. Please choose a time keeping device of any kind and talk about its significance, including its personal meaning for you.

17.30-18.00 Essay 1 discussion

Week Beginning 14 March

No seminar

Thursday 17 March SUBMIT ESSAY 1

5.Week Beginning 21 March

Seminar 4 pm GMT Thursday 24 March

16.00-16.30: Astrology in the Renaissance and Reformation – general discussion

16.30-17.00 **Student presentation** 10 mins, and general discussion: Marsilio Ficino
(For resources

Ficino, Marsilio, 'The Book of the Sun (De Sole)', trans. Cornelius Geoffrey, Darby Costello, Graeme Tobyn, Angela Voss & Vernon Wells, *Sphinx: A Journal for Archetypal Psychology and the Arts*, Vol. 6, 1994, pp. 123-148.

<http://www.users.globalnet.co.uk/~alfar2/ficino.htm> (Voss, Angela, 'The Music of the Spheres: Marsilio Ficino and Renaissance *harmonia*', *Culture and Cosmos*, Vol. 2 no 2, Autumn/Winter 1998, pp. 16-38.

http://www.cultureandcosmos.org/pdfs/2-2/Voss_Music_Spheres.pdf

Cleve, Julia, 'Ficino's Approach to Astrology as Reflected in Book VII of his Letters', *Culture and Cosmos*, Vol. 7 no 2, Autumn/Winter 2003, pp. 63-70.

http://www.cultureandcosmos.org/pdfs/7/7-2_Cleeve_Ficino.pdf

17.00-17.30 **Student presentation** Historiography: James Evans chaps 2-5 10 mins and then general discussion.

17.30-18.00 Essay 2 Discussion

6.Week Beginning 28 March

Seminar 4 pm GMT Thursday 31 March

16.00-16.30. Astrology in the seventeenth century – general discussion

16.30-17.00. **Student presentation**; Kepler's astrology 10 mins followed by general discussion.
Resources

Kepler, Johannes, 'On the More Certain Fundamentals of Astrology', Prague, 1601, trans. Mary Ann Rossi with notes by J. Bruce Brackenbridge, *Proceedings of the American Philosophical Society*, Vol. 123, No 2, (Apr. 27, 1979), pp. 85-163.

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17.00-17.30

General Discussion: William Lilly, Magic, Elias Ashmole, George Wharton.

(Graubard, Mark, 'Astrology's Demise and Its Bearing on the Decline and Death of Beliefs', *Osiris*, Vol. 13, (1958), pp. 210-261)

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17.30-18.00 Essay 2 Discussion

7 Week Beginning 4 April

Seminar date 7 April

16.00-16.30 Astrology in the 18th and 19th centuries: general discussion

16.30-17.00.

Chris Discussion of primary sources:

Sibly, Ebenezer, *A New and Complete Illustration of the Celestial Science of Astrology*, 2 Vols., London 1787. Book 4.

<http://www.esotericarchives.com/solomon/sibly4.htm>

Mesmer Franz, 'Physical-Medical Treatise on the Influence of the Planets', in Bloch, George, *Mesmerism: a translation of the Scientific and Medical Writings of Franz Anton Mesmer*, Los Altos CA: William Kauffman 1980, pp. 1-22.

PDF (NOT CURRENTLY AVAILABLE SO USE THE 1947 VERSION)

17.00-17.30

Nick Historiography: the Keith Thomas-Hildred Geertz debate, and Patrick Curry,

Geertz, Hildred, 'An Anthropology of Religion and Magic, I', *Journal of Interdisciplinary History*, Vol. 6 no 1 (Summer 1975) pp. 71-89.

JSTOR

Thomas, Keith, 'An Anthropology of Religion and Magic, II', *Journal of Interdisciplinary History*, Vol. 6 no 1 (Summer 1975) pp. 91-109.

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Curry, Patrick 'Astrology on Trial, and its Historians: Reflections on the Historiography of 'Superstition', *Culture and Cosmos*, Autumn/Winter 2000, Vol. 4 no 2, pp. 47-56

http://www.cultureandcosmos.org/pdfs/4-1/4-1_Curry_Historical_Approaches.pdf

17.30-18.00 Essay 2 discussion

8 Week Beginning 11 April
Seminar date 14 April

16.00-16.30 General discussion modern astrology, psychological astrology

16.30-17.00

Chirs Discussion Alan Leo Astrology for All

17.00-17.30. Historiography.

Nick Evans, Richard, *In Defence of History*, London: Granta Books 1997, chapter 8.

Patrick Curry, 'The Historiography of Astrology: A Diagnosis and a Prescription', in K.von Stuckrad, G. Oestmann and D. Rutkin (eds.), *Horoscopes and Public Spheres* (Berlin and New York: Walter de Gruyter, 2005), pp. 261-74

GOOGLE BOOKS

Curry's own text is downloadable from <http://www.patrickcurry.co.uk/papers.htm#1>

Cornelius, Geoffrey, 'Verity and the Question of Primary and Secondary Scholarship in Astrology', in Nicholas Campion, Patrick Curry and Michael York (ed.) *Astrology and the Academy*, Bristol: Cinnabar Books 2004, pp. 103-113.

PDF ON MOODLE

17.30-18.00 Essay 2 Discussion and winding up.

THURSDAY 21 April SUBMIT ESSAY 2