Science, Technology & Medicine in Western Civ I
HIS 237
Satisfies: STAS

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This course examines the scientific, technological, and medical innovations of Western Europe from 1450-1790 (from the Renaissance to the French Revolution. We will investigate these topics from the top down as well as the bottom up, looking at medicine, for instance, from the perspective of practitioners and patients. Other topics will include the ancient and medieval origins of early modern science, technology, and medicine, their social organization, the influence of international and intercultural connections, organizations of scientists, the place of science and technology in cultural life, industrialization, and the character and organization of medical practice. This course requires quizzes, message board posts, a midterm and final paper or project.