Unit Description
This Lecture Response Unit will look at the Reformation in Europe between 1517 and c.1555. The Reformation was an event of seismic importance, the consequences of which are still apparent today: it shattered the unity of Christendom, which had existed for more than a thousand years, into a series of competing confessions. The unit will use a variety of approaches, sometimes focusing on the experiences of individual countries, and at others seeking to bring out broader themes. In particular, the lectures will look to emphasise the diversity of the Reformation in Europe, and the different areas of life which were affected. While due consideration will be paid to the theological ideas that underpinned the Reformation, greater attention will be given to the transmission and reception of these ideas, and how they related to the political, social, economic and cultural environments in which they were accepted, modified or rejected.

Contact Hours and Mode of Teaching:
10 x 2 hour interactive lectures

Methods of Assessment:
1 x 3000 word essay (50%), 1 x 2 hour exam (50%)

Essential Reading
Andrew Pettegree (Ed.), *The Early Reformation in Europe* (1992)

Further Information
Unit blackboard site: [www.ole.bris.ac.uk](http://www.ole.bris.ac.uk)