Assignment 1: GEORGIA BEFORE OGLETHORPE

READING
Excerpts from Charles Hudson (3-5, 107-115)
Coleman: 3-15
Scott: 1-16
GRADUATES STUDENTS ONLY: Handout of “Ruling ‘The Republic of Indians’” (Don't forget to summarize in your comment sheet the main thesis of this essay, as well as your evaluation of its strengths and weaknesses.)

GENERAL BACKGROUND NEEDED
1. The general causes and results of European exploration and colonization in the Americas in the 16th and 17th centuries.

SPECIFIC STUDY QUESTIONS
1. Summarize the main characteristics of the cultures of the peoples living in the area that would become Georgia before the arrival of any Europeans, including the basic beliefs of the Cherokees and Creeks concerning cosmology, nature, disease, and the proper roles of women and men, as indicated in the stories related in Scott.
2. What were the primary aims and actions of the Spanish in Georgia in the sixteenth and seventeenth century? How did they (including DeSoto) and the native peoples there interact with and affect each other?
3. How did English colonists in South Carolina in the late seventeenth and early eighteenth centuries affect the Indians and the Spanish in the area that would become Georgia?

IDENTIFICATIONS
Hernando DeSoto
Cofitachaqui
the Lady of Cofitachaqui
the Coosa
Tascalusa
Battle of Mabila
Menendez
Guale and Yamasee peoples
Spanish presidios
Franciscan missions
Marquez
Juanillo
Father Avila
Yamasee War