

ENG 220a Representative Literary Works (3)

Fall 2005

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Course Description

This course seeks to introduce you to the rich field of western literature by offering an overview of its major (canonical) writers and their works. While we will discuss how it is that a canon comes to be formed, challenged, and transmitted, attention will also be given to the abiding themes and aesthetic achievement of the literature.

Required Texts

Stott, Jon, eds. *The Harbrace Anthology of Literature*. 3rd ed. Toronto: Nelson Thomson Learning, 2002.

Chaucer, Geoffrey. *The Canterbury Tales*. Ed. A. Kent Hieatt and Constance Hieatt. Toronto: Bantam, 1981.

Swift, Jonathan. *Gulliver's Travels and Other Writings*. Ed. Miriam Starkman. Toronto: Bantam, 1981.

Course Requirements and Grading

- 1. Students should do all the prescribed readings before class and be prepared to participate in class discussion. I look forward to lively discussions.
- 2. Assignments are due on the dates specified. Late assignments will be penalized (20%) for the first week and then not accepted, unless extenuating circumstances can be shown.
- 3. Plagiarism in any of its forms will not be tolerated.
- 4. Students may not submit work done for another class.
- 5. The student is responsible for all the information given in class, and also for any changes to the syllabus that are announced in class.
- 6. As in all serious literature courses, spelling, punctuation, grammar, style, and format are important in all your written work, including exams. Shortcomings in these areas will be reflected in your marks.

7. Grading:

Essay 1	15%	Oct 6
Essay 2	20%	Nov 15
Essay 3	25%	Dec 15
Final	30%	TBA
Participation	<u>10%</u>	
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Course Schedule

Date	Class topics	Material to Read
Sept. 8	Introduction	Begin Reading Anthology
_	Course Aims	Introduction (7-25)
Sept. 13	What is Poetry?	Introduction (7-25)
Sept. 15	Chaucer	The Canterbury Tales
		The General Prologue
Sept. 20	Chaucer	The Miller's Tale
	The first comedian?	
Sept. 22	Chaucer	The Wife of Bath's Tale
	The first feminist?	
Sept. 27	COMMUNITY DAY NO CLASSES	
Sept. 29	Chaucer	The Pardoner's Tale
	The first nihilist?	
Oct. 4	Medieval Lyrics and Ballads	Anthology (26-31)
Oct. 6	The Renaissance Sonnet	Anthology (32-38)
	First Essay Due	
Oct. 11	The Faerie Queene	Handout: The Faerie Queene
	Comparing Prologues	and Paradise Lost
Oct. 13	The Faerie Queene Canto 1	Handout
Oct. 18	A Brief Digression:	
301. 10	The Making of the King James Version	
Oct. 20	Rethinking the Sonnet	Anthology (39-41)
	Shakespeare	
Oct. 25	Donne	Anthology (42-48)
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Oct. 27	NO CLASSES	
Nov. 1	Donne And Herbert	Anthology (42-53)
	Anne Bradstreet	Anthology (61-63)
Nov. 3	Marvell And Milton	Anthology

Nov. 8	Milton	Lycidas
	Lycidas	
Nov. 10	NO CLASSES	Begin Reading The Tempest
		Anthology (431-494)
Nov. 15	Shakespeare and the nature of play-going	The Tempest
	in Early Modern England	
	Second Essay Due	
Nov. 17	The Tempest	The Tempest
Nov. 22	The Tempest	The Tempest
Nov. 24	The Tempest	The Tempest
Nov. 29	The Down of The Leaf	
NOV. 29	The Rape of The Lock	
Dec. 1	The Rape of The Lock	
Dec. 6	Gulliver's Travels	
Dec. 8	Gulliver's Travels	
Dec. 13	Gulliver's Travels	
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Dec. 15	Final Class	
	Preparing for the Final	