

English 201: English Literature--beginnings Through the Renaissance
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Texts: Beowulf, trans. Burton Raffel
The Norton Anthology of English Literature, 5th ed., vol. 1
The Canterbury Tales, trans. Nevill Coghill
Malory: The Morte Darthur, ed. D.S. Brewer

Jan. 15 introduction to the course
17 Old English poetry

April 6 Henry IV, Part I
8 Henry IV, Part I
10 no class

20 no class
22 Old English poetry
24 Beowulf

13 seventeenth century poetry;
one essay due
15 seventeenth century poetry
17 seventeenth century poetry

27 Beowulf
29 Beowulf
31 Sir Gawain and the Green Knight

20 seventeenth century poetry;
one essay due

Feb. 3 Sir Gawain and the Green Knight
5 The Canterbury Tales; two essays due
7 The Canterbury Tales

22 Paradise Lost
24 Paradise Lost

10 The Canterbury Tales
12 The Canterbury Tales
14 The Canterbury Tales

27 Paradise Lost; last class
29 optional essay due

17 The Canterbury Tales
19 The Canterbury Tales
21 The Canterbury Tales

May 6 final exam

24 The Canterbury Tales
26 The Canterbury Tales; two essays due
28 medieval poetry

March 2 medieval poetry
4 medieval drama
6 medieval drama

SPRING BREAK

16 The Morte Darthur
18 The Morte Darthur
20 The Morte Darthur; one essay due

23 Renaissance poetry
25 Renaissance poetry
27 Doctor Faustus

April 30 Doctor Faustus; one essay due
1 Doctor Faustus
3 Henry IV, Part I

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POLICY ON ATTENDANCE

You may have two absences with no penalty (though you will be considered responsible for work done or due in class on any day you miss for any reason and responsible for informing yourself about any assignments or announcements made on days which you miss). Absences three and four will count one point each off of your final grade in the course. Absences five and six will count two points each off. Further absences will count three and one third points each off. Only significant illness or major emergency will excuse an absence.

POLICY ON LATE WORK

Only significant illness or major emergency will excuse late work. Work whose lateness is unexcused will lose one letter grade for each calendar day it is late. After four days, unexcused late work will not be acceptable at all and will receive a zero. Reading quizzes missed because of unexcused absences may not be made up and will receive a zero. If missed because of an excused absence, a quiz may be made up the next time (the ~~xx~~ next day) that class meets.

DETERMINATION OF FINAL GRADE

You must submit three of the first four essays. You must submit three of the next four essays. Each of these six essays will be worth 14% of your grade for a total of 84% of your grade. If you wish, you may submit a seventh essay, an optional essay, on Wednesday, April 29, Reading Day. This last essay may substitute for any one of the preceding six essays. However, it may not substitute for a missing essay.

The final exam will be worth another 14% of your final grade.

The final 2% of your grade will depend upon your average in the reading quizzes. An A average on those will be worth 2 points added to your final grade, a B average will be worth 1½ points, a C 1 point, and a D ½ point.

You may earn up to 2 points of extra credit for frequent, intelligent contribution to class discussion.