Course Description
This course teaches everything you ever wanted to know about the Fellowship of the Ring. You will learn how to melt rings in volcanoes, evade Nazgûls, and not to trust Saruman.

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Syllabus

Course Aims

This course has two main purposes. First, it provides a deeper understanding of resisting the Power of the Ring. Second, it applies these insights through practical exercises.

Course Structure

Extraordinarily, due to the novel coronavirus pandemic, we will be moving this course online for the remainder of the semester.

Course Materials

There is no required textbook for this course. All materials can be found on Moodle.

Course Evaluation

Evaluation is by a combination of participation, term papers, and exam.

Participation (10%): This is about participation.

Papers (40%): This is about the term papers.

Exam (50%): This is about the exam.

Course Policies

Auditing is possible. Please contact me.

Grading is according to the Swiss 1-6 scale.

Plagiarism is not tolerated at the Graduate Institute. If you are unsure, please contact the TA.

Course Schedule

Week 1   (14 Sep): Inheriting a Ring

Darwin, Charles (1859). *On the Origin of Species by Means of Natural Selection or the Preservation of Favoured Races in the Struggle for Life*. John Murray.

Hollway, James (2020). *Iheiddown: A rmarkdown class for iheid dissertations*. `https://github.com/jhollway/iheiddown`.

Week 2   (21 Sep): Escaping the Shire

Satchell, Christine, & Dourish, Paul (2009). "Beyond The User: Use And Non-Use in HCI". *Proceedings of the Annual Conference of the Australian Computer-Human Interaction Special Interest Group (OZCHI '09)*, November, 9–16.

Week 3   (28 Sep): Fleeing from the Nazgûl

Week 4   (5 Oct): Meeting Strider

Week 5   (12 Oct): Arrival in Rivendell

Week 6   (19 Oct): On the road to Mordor

– This syllabus is subject to change –