

Blackfriars Hall, University of Oxford

English Literature Course Options

Summary List

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- EL08 Poetry 1790-1830
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List with Short Descriptions

EL01 Chaucer & Contemporaries

This course will focus on Chaucer's *The Canterbury Tales* and other works, such as *Troilus and Criseyde*, and consider them in their fourteenth-century literary and historical context.

EL02 Malory & Contemporaries

Malory's *Le Morte Darthur* and writers of the early Tudor period (such as More, Skelton, Surrey, and Wyatt). Areas for investigation may include: authorship and authority; verse types (lyric, ballad, romance); the Wars of the Roses; kingship; chivalry; and economic and social change.

EL03 Shakespeare

An in-depth study of a range of Shakepeare's plays and poetry.

EL04 Elizabethan and Jacobean Drama

Shakespeare's contemporaries and their context. This course will include a focus on

Jonson, Marlowe, Middleton, and Webster, and the development of genre (such as Revenge Tragedy).

EL05 16th Century Poetry

This course will consider the epic poetry and pastoral of Spenser; sonnets by Sidney; and metaphysical and religious poetry (Donne, Herbert, and Vaughan)

EL06 Milton and 17th Century Poetry

Milton's work in its historical and literary context; will include a focus on Cavalier poetry (Carew, Herrick, Lovelace, and Suckling).

EL07 18th Century Novel

This course considers the rise of the novel as a popular literary form in the eighteenth century, and topics such as satire, science and literature, the epistolary novel, the rise of Gothic fiction, and literature and Revolutions, in the novels of such authors as Burney, Defoe, Fielding, Richardson, Swift, and Walpole.

EL08 Poetry 1790-1830

An exploration of the major poets of the period – Blake, Byron, Coleridge, Hemans, Keats, Landon P.B.Shelley, and Wordworth - and the socio-political environment in which they were writing.

EL09 Novels 1790-1830

A range of novels and novelists and their socio-political contexts, including the Gothic Novel; sensibility and the novel; and the rise of historical fiction. Novelists include Austen, Lewis, Radcliffe, and Scott.

EL10 Poetry 1830-1900 (Victorian)

Works by a range of major poets - Arnold, Barrett Browning, Browning, Clough, Hopkins, Christina Rossetti, Swinburne, Tennyson, Augusta Webster - and their treatment of the subjects and conflicts that raged in the period, in areas such as science, religion, and sexuality.

EL11 Novels 1830-1900 (Victorian)

Topics such as the industrial/'Condition of England' novel; sensation fiction; the rise of the crime novel; social realism; Victorian Gothic; concepts of identity and selfhood, science, and religion. Authors considered will include Braddon, Charlotte Brontë, Emily Brontë, Wilkie Collins, Dickens, George Eliot, Gaskell, Hardy, Stoker, and Wilde.

EL12 19th Century Medievalism

An in-depth exploration of this major cultural movement. Considers medievalist literature (Keats, Costello, Barrett Browning, Morris, Tennyson) in its cultural context, along with art (Pre-Raphaelites), architecture (Pugin), and demands for social change (Carlyle, Ruskin, Morris).

EL13 19th and 20th Century Drama

This course considers topics such as melodrama, performance issues, revolutionary theatre, and theatre of the absurd, and playwrights such as Beckett, Bond, Orton, Osborne, Pinter and Stoppard.

EL14 20th Century Poetry

The major poets of the twentieth century, including Auden, Duffy, T. S. Eliot, Heaney, Hughes, Larkin, Plath, the poets of the two World Wars, Dylan Thomas, and Yeats.

EL15 20th Century Novels

Includes the Edwardian novel; the Bloomsbury group; modernism; postcolonialism, popular culture, and concepts of literary value, and such writers as Achebe, Bowen, Carter, Coetzee, Conrad, Forster, Golding, Greene, Joyce, Kipling, Lawrence, Ondaatje, Orwell, Rushdie, Waugh, and Woolf.

St Clare's Blackfriars Hall Scholars' Programme

Tutorial Courses

Theology and Philosophy

TH01 Old Testament: Prophecy

TH02 Old Testament: Historical Books

TH03 Old Testament: Pentateuch

TH04 Old Testament: Wisdom, Psalms & Apocalyptic

TH05 New Testament: Synoptic Gospels

TH06 New Testament: Luke—Acts

TH07 New Testament: The Fourth Gospel TH08 New Testament: Pauline Studies

TH09 Christian Art & Archaeology

TH10 Early Christian Doctrine

TH11 Early Church Writers: Apostolic Fathers to Augustine

TH12 Augustine

TH13 Early Church History

TH14 Theology of Aquinas

TH15 Mediaeval Church History

TH16 Renaissance & Reformation

TH17 Modern Church History

TH18 20th Century Theologians

TH19 Documents of Vatican II

TH20 God and Creation

TH21 The Most Holy Trinity

TH22 Christology & Soteriology

TH23 Grace & Original Sin

TH24 Ecclesiology

TH25 Sacraments

TH26 The Mother of God

TH27 Eschatology

TH28 Christian Ethics

TH29 Spirituality

TH30 Canon Law

TH31 World Religions

PH02 Moral Philosophy

PH03 Philosophy of Mind

PH04 Ancient Philosophy

PH05 Plato

PH06 Aristotle

PH07 Stoics & Epicureans PH08 Mediaeval Philosophy

PH09 Philosophy of Aquinas

PH10 Descartes to Kant

PH11 Heidegger

PH12 Wittgenstein

PH13 Theory of Politics PH14 Metaphysics

PH15 Epistemology

PH16 Science and Religion

PH17 Anthropology PH18 Health-Care Ethics

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PH21 Developmental Psychology

PH22 Social Psychology

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Classics

CL01 Homer

CL02 Greek Tragedy CL03 Aristophanes CL04 Virgil

CL05 Principate

CL06 Late Empire

British History

BH01 British History I BH02 British History II BH03 British History III

Language Tutorials

Latin New Testament Greek Biblical Hebrew