Course Schedule

**IMPORTANT:** ALL TIMES EASTERN - Please see the University Policies section of your Syllabus for details

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Final Examination Arrangement and Schedule

In courses with a final exam, students who are *exclusively* taking online classes must provide examination arrangement information, using Quest, by **Friday, September 27, 2013**. (Students taking one or more on-campus classes in addition to an online class within the same term do not need to provide exam centre information. Those exams will automatically be scheduled to be written at the University of Waterloo.)

Examination schedule details will be available on Quest approximately four weeks prior to the exam date. For instructions on how to find exam information, go to the Quest Help page.

Official Grades and Course Access

Official Grades and Academic Standings are available through Quest.

Your access to this course will continue for the duration of the current term. You will not have access to this course once the next term begins.
Communication

Email/Discussions

Administrative questions or technical problems with Waterloo LEARN should be directed to the Centre for Extended Learning office at extendedlearning@uwaterloo.ca.

Questions relating to academic issues (e.g., course content, deadlines, etc.) should be posted on the “Ask the Instructor” discussion topic. This allows other students to benefit from your question as well. Discussion topics can be accessed by clicking Connect and then Discussions on the course navigation bar above. Questions of a personal nature can be directed to your instructor, Karen Ward, at k3ward@uwaterloo.ca.

Your instructor checks email and the “Ask the Instructor” discussion topic frequently and will make every effort to reply to your questions within 48 hours, Monday to Friday.

A “General Discussion” topic has also been made available to allow students to communicate with peers in the course. Your instructor may drop in at this discussion topic from time to time.

News

Your instructor uses the News section of the Course Home page to make announcements during the term to communicate new or changing information regarding due dates, instructor absence, etc., as needed.

To ensure you are viewing the complete list of news items, you may need to click Show All News Items.
Course Description and Objectives

Description

This course provides an introduction to six of Shakespeare's plays:

- *King Lear*
- *A Midsummer Night's Dream*
- *Othello*
- *The Merchant of Venice*
- *The Taming of the Shrew*
- *A Winter's Tale*

Objectives

By the end of this course, you will have learned:

- how to enjoy great drama
- how to read closely
- how to think critically about literature
- how a play is structured

*This course was developed in the Fall and Winter of 2008. Instructional and web design were done by the Centre for Extended Learning in collaboration with the course author. Further media production was provided by Instructional Technologies and Multimedia Services.*
About the Course Author

Course Author — Dr. John S. North

[Erratum: The last play in this course is A Winter's Tale, and NOT The Tempest]

Educational Background

John North was born and educated in Vancouver, B.C.. He completed his B.A. and M.A. at the University of British Columbia, and his Ph.D. on the poetry of Lord Alfred Tennyson, at the University of Alberta.

Current Research

Dr. North conducts research in Victorian Periodicals Bibliography.

Teaching Interests

John North's teaching interests include Victorian Studies, Children's Literature, Shakespeare, and Literature and the Bible.

Family/Children/Travel

Dr. North and his wife Roberta have three sons, three daughters-in-law and nine grandchildren. John and Roberta spend as much time as possible out-of-doors, and especially enjoy summer motorcycling.
Materials and Resources

Textbook(s)

Free online versions of these plays may be accessed from the Supplementary Online Resources page in each Module.

NOTE: The Penguin series of Shakespeare's plays are available in the UW BookStore, but any edition from any seller will do.

Required:


For textbook ordering information, please contact the Waterloo Bookstore.

For your convenience, you can compile a list of required and optional course materials through BookLook using your Quest userID and password. If you are having difficulties ordering online and wish to call the Waterloo Bookstore, their phone number is +1 519 888 4673 or toll-free at +1 866 330 7933. Please be aware that textbook orders CANNOT be taken over the phone.

Other Materials

PDFs of Notes for each Play, and PDFs of Lecture Slides are provided for printing within each module.

There are no other print materials for this course.

Resources

- University of Waterloo Library (Services for Students Taking Online Courses)
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University Policies

Submission Times

Please be aware that the University of Waterloo is located in the Eastern Time Zone (GMT or UTC-5 during standard time and UTC-4 during daylight saving time) and, as such, the time that your activities and/or assignments are due is based on this zone. If you are outside the Eastern Time Zone and require assistance with converting your time, please try the Ontario, Canada Time Converter.

Accommodation Due to Illness

If your instructor has provided specific procedures for you to follow if you miss assignment due dates, term tests, or a final examination, adhere to those instructions. Otherwise:

**MISSED ASSIGNMENTS/TESTS/QUIZZES**

Contact the instructor as soon as you realize there will be a problem, and preferably within 48 hours, but no more than 72 hours, have a medical practitioner complete a Verification of Illness Form.

Email a scanned copy of the Verification of Illness Form to your instructor. In your email to the instructor, provide your name, student ID number, and exactly what course activity you missed.

If your instructor agrees to re-open a time-limited component, our technical support staff (extendedlearning@uwaterloo.ca) will require an email from the instructor granting permission to allow you access.

Further information regarding Management of Requests for Accommodation Due to Illness can be found on the Student Medical Clinic website.

**MISSED FINAL EXAMINATIONS**

If you are unable to write a final examination due to illness, seek medical treatment and provide confirmation of illness to the Centre for Extended Learning within 48 hours by emailing a scanned copy of the completed University of Waterloo Verification of Illness Form to support your request for accommodation. In your email, provide your name, student ID number, and the examination(s) missed. You will be REQUIRED to hand in the original completed form at the time you write the make-up examination, which should be within a week of having missed your exam. The original completed form must be received before you are able to write a re-scheduled exam.

Further information about Accommodation Due to Illness regulations are available in the Undergraduate Calendar.
Academic Integrity

In order to maintain a culture of academic integrity, members of the University of Waterloo community are expected to promote honesty, trust, fairness, respect, and responsibility. If you have not already completed the online tutorial regarding academic integrity you should do so as soon as possible. Undergraduate students should see the Academic Integrity Tutorial and graduate students should see the Graduate Students and Academic Integrity website.

For further information on academic integrity, please visit the Office of Academic Integrity.

Discipline

A student is expected to know what constitutes academic integrity to avoid committing an academic offence, and to take responsibility for his/her actions. A student who is unsure whether an action constitutes an offence, or who needs help in learning how to avoid offences (e.g., plagiarism, cheating) or about “rules” for group work/collaboration should seek guidance from the course instructor, academic advisor, or the undergraduate Associate Dean. For information on categories of offences and types of penalties, students should refer to Policy 71, Student Discipline. For typical penalties check Guidelines for the Assessment of Penalties.

Appeals

A decision made or penalty imposed under Policy 70, Student Petitions and Grievances, (other than a petition) or Policy 71, Student Discipline, may be appealed if there is a ground. A student who believes he/she has a ground for an appeal should refer to Policy 72, Student Appeals.

Grievance

A student who believes that a decision affecting some aspect of his/her university life has been unfair or unreasonable may have grounds for initiating a grievance. Read Policy 70, Student Petitions and Grievances, Section 4. When in doubt please be certain to contact the department’s administrative assistant who will provide further assistance.

Final Grades

In accordance with Policy 19, the Centre for Extended Learning does not release final examination grades or final course grades to students. Students must go to Quest to see all final grades. Any grades posted in Waterloo Learn are unofficial.

Note for Students with Disabilities
AccessAbility Services, located in Needles Hall, Room 1132, collaborates with all academic departments to arrange appropriate accommodations for students with disabilities without compromising the academic integrity of the curriculum. If you require academic accommodation to lessen the impact of your disability, please register with the OPD at the beginning of each academic term and for each course.

Use of Computing and Network Resources

Please see the Guidelines on Use of Waterloo Computing and Network Resources.

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