## Course Schedule

**IMPORTANT:** ALL TIMES EASTERN - Please see the [University Policies](#) section of your Syllabus for details.

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<td>3 and 4</td>
<td>Module 2 - A Midsummer Night's Dream</td>
<td>Assignment 1: Short Essay 1</td>
<td>Friday, October 9, 2015 at 11:55 PM</td>
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### Final Examination Arrangements and Schedule

Please carefully review the information about [final examinations for online courses](#), including dates, locations, how to make examination arrangements, writing with a proctor, and deadlines.

If you are taking **any on-campus courses**, you will automatically be scheduled to write your exam on campus. No action is required.

If you are taking **only online courses**, do one of the following:

- If your address in QUEST is **within 100 km** of an examination centre, you must choose an exam centre in [Quest](#) by **Monday September 28, 2015**. This must be done each term.

- If your address in Quest is **more than 100 km from an exam centre**, you must arrange for a proctor. Please review the guidelines and deadlines for [writing with a proctor](#). This must be done each term.

Your online course exam schedule will be available in Quest approximately four weeks before your exam date(s). Instructions on how to find your schedule are posted on the [Quest Help](#) page.

University of Waterloo Senate-approved [examination regulations and related matters](#) can be found on the
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.
## News

Your instructor uses the **News** widget 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. You are expected to read the **News** on a regular basis.

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

## Discussions

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.

## Contact Us

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<td><strong>Instructor</strong></td>
<td><strong>Post your course-related questions</strong> to the <strong>Ask the Instructor</strong> discussion topic*. This allows other students to benefit from your question as well.</td>
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<td>- Questions of a personal nature</td>
<td><strong>Questions of a personal nature</strong> can be directed to your instructor.</td>
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<td>Instructor: Abdus Salam</td>
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<td><a href="mailto:a6salam@uwaterloo.ca">a6salam@uwaterloo.ca</a></td>
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<td>Your instructor checks email and</td>
<td>The <strong>Ask the Instructor</strong> discussion topic* frequently and will make every effort to reply to your questions within 24–48 hours, Monday to Friday.</td>
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Discussion topics can be accessed by clicking **Connect** and then **Discussions** on the course navigation bar above.
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*
- *The 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; and,
- how a play is structured.

*This online course was developed by Dr. John S. North, with instructional design and multimedia development support provided by the Centre for Extended Learning. 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 *The 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

Textbooks

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)
## Grade Breakdown

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Course Policies

Final Exam Policy

NOTE: You MUST pass the final exam to receive a passing grade in the course.
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.

Further information regarding Management of Requests for Accommodation Due to Illness can be found on the Accommodation due to illness page.

**MISSED FINAL EXAMINATIONS**

If you are unable to write a final examination due to illness, seek medical treatment and have a medical practitioner complete a Verification of Illness Form. Email a scanned copy to the Centre for Extended Learning (CEL) at extendedlearning@uwaterloo.ca within 48 hours of your missed exam. Make sure you include your name, student ID number, and the exam(s) missed. You will be REQUIRED to hand in the original completed form before you write the make-up examination.

After your completed Verification of Illness Form has been received and processed, you will be emailed your alternate exam date and time. This can take up to 2 business days. If you are within 150 km of Waterloo you should be prepared to write in Waterloo on the additional CEL exam dates. If you live outside the 150 km radius, CEL will work with you to make suitable arrangements.

Further information about Examination Accommodation Due to Illness regulations is 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.

Proper citations are part of academic integrity. Citations in CEL course materials usually follow CEL style, which is based on APA style. Your course may follow a different style. If you are uncertain which style to use for an assignment, please confirm with your instructor or TA.

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 - Access To and Release of Student Information, 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.
AccessAbility Services

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Accessibility Statement

The Centre for Extended Learning strives to meet the needs of all our online learners. Our ongoing efforts to become aligned with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) are guided by University of Waterloo AccessAbility Services Policy and the World Wide Web Consortium’s (W3C) Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.0. The majority of our online courses are currently delivered via the Desire2Learn Learning Environment. Learn more about Desire2Learn’s Accessibility Standards Compliance.

Use of Computing and Network Resources

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