ENGLISH 208A
FORMS OF FANTASY

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TEXTS

Rabkin, Eric
Fantastic Worlds
Tolkien, J.R.R.
The Fellowship of the Ring
The Two Towers
The Return of the King
Leguin, Ursula
A Wizard of Earthsea
The Tombs of Atuan
The Farthest Shore
Gardner, John
Grendel
Kay, Guy
Tigana

LECTURES AND ASSIGNMENTS

Sept. 10-12 Introduction
17-26 Rabkin, Fantastic Worlds
Oct. 1-17 Tolkien, Lord of the Rings
22-31 Leguin, Earthsea
Nov. 5-7 Leguin, cont'd
12-14 Gardner, Grendel
19-28 Kay, Tigana

ESSAYS: Students will be expected to keep a kind of ongoing 'journal' of objective responses and critical reflections on the texts on the reading list and on the nature of 'fantasy literature' which will be submitted twice, on October 1, 1991, and October 31, 1991. These 'journals' will be graded primarily on content and will be worth 10% each towards the final mark. They should also form the basis for the final formal essay due November 21, 1991, and will be submitted again with that formal essay. The formal essay and accompanying material will be worth 40% of the final mark.

EXAM: Final Exam worth 40%.