Department of English  
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English 451B  

Literature of the Victorian Age II: Prose & Novel

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Time: MWF 10:30  
Office hrs: HH 223, MWF 9:30-10:30, 2:30-4:30 or by appointment.

       John Ruskin, Unto This Last, Penguin  
       Matthew Arnold, Selected Prose, Penguin.  
       Selected Writings of Thomas Carlyle, Penguin.  

1. Dickens, A Tale of Two Cities, Bantam.  

Purpose: To study a selection from the major essayists and novelists of the Victorian age: Arnold, Mill, Carlyle, Ruskin, Newman, Dickens, Eliot and Bronte. We will consider their work in the context of 19th century social history, and will discuss the links between form and content in each work. Some attention will be given to research methods in Victorian materials.

Assignments:  
Reading: About 70 pages per lecture  
Writing: Term paper 1 20 marks Feb 10  
         Mid-term 20 Feb 24  
         Term paper 2 30 Mar 17  
         Exam 30

Lecture Schedule:  

January 4  Dickens  
           16  Mill  
           27  Bronte  
February 8  Arnold  
March 2  Newman  
13  Eliot  
25  Ruskin