English 2310 – World Literature I  
Spring Semester

**Schedule**

**This schedule is not set in stone.** Things happen. Class topics and due dates may need to be rearranged. I will post the changes here as they occur.

**Latest Update: 4 / 1 / 2008**

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| **Date** | **Work Due** |
| **January 14 - 18, 2008** | **Topics:**   * Syllabus and Class Policies. * Introduction to the Course. * Translation: Can't Live with It, Can't Live without It. * Introduction to the [Project.](http://faculty.tnstate.edu/whennequin/worldlit/project.html)   **Readings:**   * Introduction (*Ancient World* 2) * Mesopotamia (*Ancient World* 15) * *The Epic of Gilgamesh* (*Ancient World* 55)   **Friday, January 18: Add / Drop ends.** |
| **January 21 - 25, 2008** | **Monday, January 21: Martin Luther King Day. No classes!**  **Readings:**   * *The Epic of Gilgamesh* (*Ancient World* 55), continued * Greece (*Ancient World* 247) * Homer, *The Iliad* (*Ancient World* 277) |
| **January 28 - February 1, 2008** | **Readings:**   * Homer, *The Iliad* (*Ancient World* 277), continued * Sophocles, *Oedipus Rex* (*Ancient World* 891) |
| **February 2 - 8, 2008** | **Readings:**   * Aristophanes, *Lysistrata* (*Ancient World* 1044) * The Ancient Hebrews (*Ancient World* 127) * Hebrew Scriptures (*Ancient World* 134), *Genesis* and *Exodus* only   **Friday, February 8: Hebrew Scriptures (*Genesis and Exodus)* take-home quiz due.** |
| **February 11 - 15, 2008** | **Readings:**   * Rome (*Ancient World* 1157) * Virgil, *The Æneid* (*Ancient World* 1174), continued   **Friday, February 15: *Aeneid* Take-home Quiz due.** |
| **February 18 - 22, 2008** | **Wednesday, February 18: Ancient Period Exam!**  **Readings:**   * Buddhist Texts (*Ancient World* 1543) * Ashvaghosha, *The Life of the Buddha* (*Ancient World* 1549) * "The Parable of the Poisoned Arrow" (*Ancient World* 778) * The Near East (*Middle Period* 15) * The New Testament (*Middle Period* 23) |
| **February 25 - 29, 2008** | **Readings:**   * *The Qu'ran* (*Middle Period* 97)   **Monday, February 25: New Testament and *Qu'ran* Take-Home Quiz due.** |
| **March 3 - 7, 2008** | **Spring Break! No classes!** |
| **March 10 - 14, 2008** | **Readings:**   * Europe (*Middle Period* 469) * *Beowulf* (*Middle Period* 482)   **Monday, March 10: *Beowulf* Take-Home due.** |
| **March 17 - 21, 2008** | **Topic: King Arthur**   * Geoffrey de Monmouth, Book IX Chapters 1-6, 11, 19-20; Book X Chapters 1-3, 5, 9-13, and Book XI Chapters 1-2 from [*History of the Kings of Britain* (on-line)](http://www.lib.rochester.edu/Camelot/geofhkb.htm) * Marie de France, ["Lanval" (on-line)](http://www.english.ufl.edu/exemplaria/marie/lanval.pdf) or [(on-line reserve)](http://docutek.tnstate.edu/eres/courseindex.aspx?error=&page=search)   **Wednesday, March 19: Marie de France and Geoffrey of Monmouth take-home quiz due.**  **Friday, March 21: Good Friday. No classes!** |
| **March 24 - 28, 2008** | **Topic: King Arthur and Tales and Tale Collections**  **Readings:**   * Chretien de Troyes, [*Lancelot, or the Knight of the Cart*](http://omacl.org/Lancelot/)(on-line) * *The Thousand and One Nights* (*Middle Period* 435) * Giovanni Boccaccio, *The Decameron* (*Middle Period* 849)   **Monday, March 24: *Lancelot* take-home quiz due.**  **Friday, March 28: Last day to withdraw.** |
| **March 31 - April 4, 2008** | **Topic: Tales and Tale Collections**  **Readings:**   * Christine de Pizan, *The Book of the City of Ladies* ([on-line reserve](http://docutek.tnstate.edu/eres/courseindex.aspx?error=&page=search))   **Wednesday, April 2: Middle Period Exam!**  **Topic: Early Modern Period**  **Readings:**   * Niccolo Machiaveli, *The Prince* (*Early Modern* 120) * Baldesar Castiglione, *The Book of the Courtier* (*Early Modern* 170) |
| **April 7 - 11, 2008** | **Topic: The Great Theater of the Renaissance**  **Readings:**   * Christopher Marlowe, *Doctor Faustus*(*Early Modern* 384) * John Milton, *Paradise Lost* (*Early Modern* 565) |
| **April 14 - 18, 2008** | **Readings:**   * John Milton, *Paradise Lost* (*Early Modern* 565)   **Monday, April 14: *Paradise Lost* take-home quiz due.**  **Friday, April 18: No class.** |
| **April 21 - 25, 2008** | **Monday, April 21: No class.**  **Readings:**   * Myths of Creation (*Early Modern* 708*)* * Myth of Quetzalcoatl (*Early Modern* 721*)*   **Wednesday, April 23: Aztec Myths Quiz due.**  **Thursday, April 24: Last Day of Classes!** |
| **April 28 - May 2, 2008** | **Final Exams!**  **During Final Exam: Early Modern Period Exam!** |