



COURSE DESCRIPTION

2016 Winter Session (2016-2017 Academic Year)

ENGL 220-003 - Literature in English to the 18th Century - Lorcan Fox

Literature in English to the 18th Century

Term 1

MWF, 12:00 p.m.

This course focuses on selected English writers of poetry, drama, and prose from the 14th to the early 18th centuries. The following literature will be studied: The General Prologue in Geoffrey Chaucer's *Canterbury Tales*; Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night*; poems by John Donne; selections from John Milton's *Paradise Lost*; Aphra Behn's *Oroonoko*; Part 4 of Jonathan Swift's *Gulliver's Travels*. Class discussion of each work will sometimes focus on its treatment of social, political, and economic issues of the period in which it was written: for instance, the alleged corruption of the late medieval Church and the questioning of conventional gender roles in the early modern period.

Texts:

- Joseph Black et al., eds., *The Broadview Anthology of British Literature*, Concise Edition, Volume A, Second Edition (The Medieval Period, The Renaissance and the Early Seventeenth Century, The Restoration and the Eighteenth Century)
- William Shakespeare, *Twelfth Night* (Broadview) The texts will be available at the UBC Bookstore in a specially priced, shrink-wrapped package.

Course requirements:

Quiz #1 - 20%

Quiz #2 - 20%

Home essay; 1500 words - 30%

Final examination - 30%