

LIT 301: The Literary Tradition: The Age of Shakespeare  
Fall 2024 (MWF 10:10-11:00; RM 202)  
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Course Description and Purpose Statement:

This course focuses on a representative sample of Shakespeare's lyrics, comedies, histories, and tragedies. Students will demonstrate their understanding of the literature in class discussion and written compositions.

Grading:

Midterm Exam: 20%  
Essays: 30%  
Final Exam: 30%  
Quizzes: 10%  
Class Participation: 10%

Late assignments will be accepted but will be assessed a penalty.

Sep 4:	Introduction; Sonnets	Sep 4: No classes
Sep 11:	Sonnets, "The Phoenix and Turtle"	
Sep 18:	<i>A Midsummer Night's Dream</i>	
Sep 25:	<i>Much Ado About Nothing</i>	
Oct 2:	<i>Richard III</i>	
Oct 9:		<b>Essay 1 Due</b>
Oct 16:	<i>Measure for Measure</i>	
Oct 23:	<i>Hamlet</i>	<b>Midterm</b>
Oct 30:		Oct 30, Nov 1: No classes;
Nov 6:		
Nov 13:	<i>King Lear</i>	<b>Essay 2 Due</b>
Nov 20:		Nov 22-24: Thanksgiving
Nov 27:		
Dec 4:	<i>The Winter's Tale</i>	Dec 8: No classes
Dec 11:		
Dec 15-19:	Final Examinations	
Dec 17-Jan 10:	Christmas Break	