

Preliminary Web Course Description

*Please note: This is a preliminary web course description only. The department reserves the right to change without notice any information in this description. The final, binding course outline will be distributed in the first class of the semester.

School of English and Theatre Studies

Course Code: ENGL 4310	Course Title: Special Studies in English	Date of Offering: Fall 2022
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Course Instructor: Mark Fortier	Course Format: Seminar
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Brief Course Synopsis:

Shakespeare Today

Shakespeare has come to be thought of not only as a writer and a set of texts but as a vast nexus of activities continuing to be done in the name of Shakespeare: digital texts and performances, festivals, adaptations, secondary and post-secondary study, scholarship, etc., etc. In this course we will begin to examine and stake out the evolving place of Shakespeare in our time.

Methods of Evaluation and Weight:

Participation: 25%

Reports: 2 1200-word write ups plus oral presentation: $15\% \times 2 = 30\%$

Research paper, 3600 words: 45%

Maggie O'Farrell, *Hamnet*

Margaret Atwood, *Hag-Seed*

Conor McCreery, *et al.*, *Kill Shakespeare*, vols 1 and 2

Other texts are available digitally through internet, library, and courselink

This course counts towards the following distribution requirement(s) for students who registered at the University prior to the Fall of 2018: Medieval/Early Modern; 20th/21st century (?)

Information about mode of delivery (synchronous/asynchronous/other details):

Synchronous, unless...

*Students who registered at the University of Guelph after Fall 2018 must fulfill the "new" major and minor requirements. Students who registered at the University of Guelph prior to Fall 2018 must fulfill the requirements of the

Calendar in effect when they first enrolled unless they have filed a Schedule of Studies Change Request to change to the 2018-2019 calendar. For more information, please consult the major and minor checklists at <https://www.uoguelph.ca/arts/sets/undergraduate/english/current-student-information>.