

HL3042

Gothic Literature

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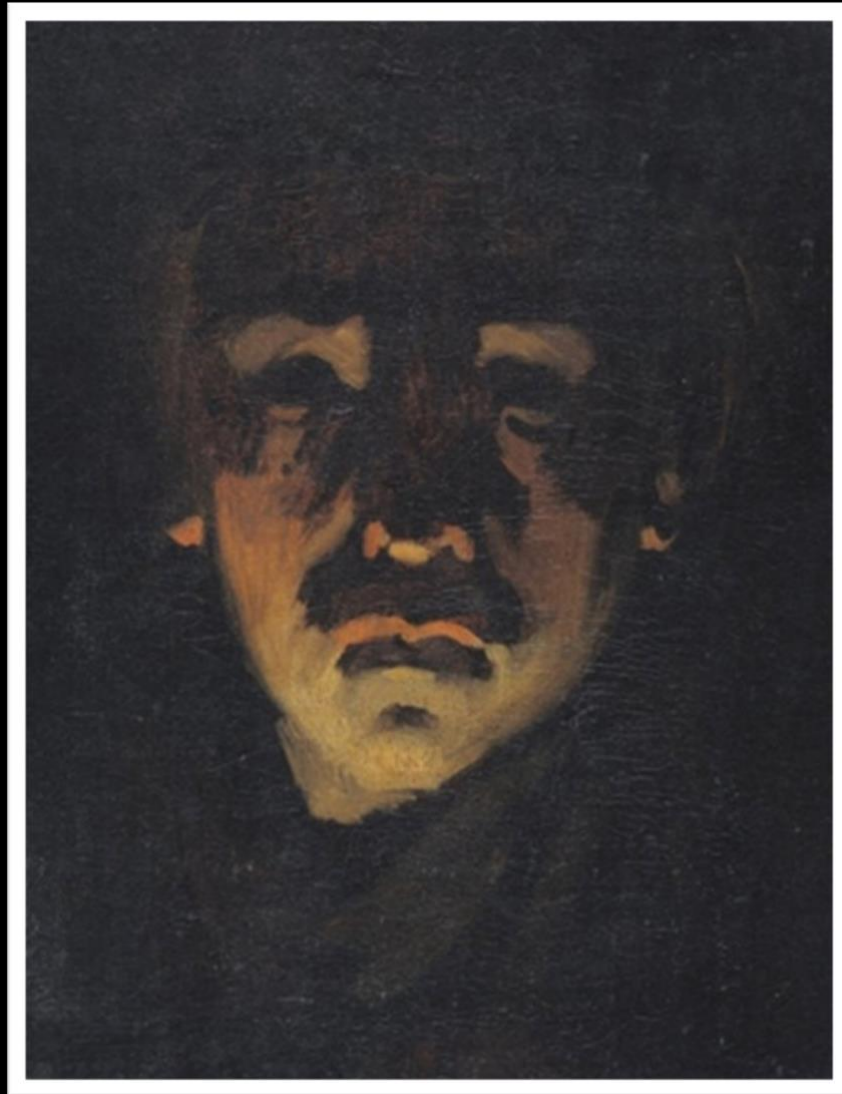


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This course explores the main themes and characteristics of Gothic literature, as well as the cultural and historical contexts of its development.

Seminar schedule (subject to minor changes)

Week 1	Introduction to Gothic literature
Week 2	Horace Walpole, <i>The Castle of Otranto</i> (1746)
Week 3	Ann Radcliffe, <i>The Mysteries of Udolpho</i> (1794), selected chapters
Week 4	Matthew Lewis, <i>The Monk</i> (1796)
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Week 6	Mary Shelley, <i>Frankenstein</i> (1818)
Week 7	Edgar Allan Poe, 'The Fall of the House of Usher' (1839)
Week 8	Robert Louis Stevenson, <i>Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde</i> (1886)
Week 9	Oscar Wilde, <i>The Picture of Dorian Gray</i> (1891)
Week 10	Bram Stoker, <i>Dracula</i> (1897)
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Week 12	H.P. Lovecraft, 'The Shadow over Innsmouth' (1936)
Week 13	Course revision

Core texts

Horace Walpole, William Beckford, Matthew Lewis, Mary Shelley. *Four Gothic Novels: The Castle of Otranto; Vathek; The Monk; Frankenstein*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1994.

Robert Louis Stevenson. *Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2008.

Oscar Wilde. *The Picture of Dorian Gray*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2008.

Bram Stoker. *Dracula*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2011.

All other course texts will be made available via Blackboard.

Assessment

Class participation: 15%

Essay (2500 words): 35%

2.5-hour written examination: 50%

Please note that Generative AI *cannot* be used for assignments on this course.

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