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SYLLABUS

IED 365.01

British Drama I

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Aim: The objective in the intensive study of eight representative texts will be to enhance student awareness of English drama from its early beginnings in the medieval period into the Restoration. During the course, each dramatic movement will be studied in detail. The thematic, technical and stylistic contribution of each playwright to British drama will be thoroughly analysed.

Course Outline:

- Week 1: General Introduction
- Week 2: No class on 21 September
- Week 3: Mystery Plays --- (Anon.) **The Second Shephard's Play** (1450)
- Week 4: Morality Plays --- (Anon.) **Everyman** (1500)
- Week 5: Elizabethan Drama and Theatre
- Week 6: Thomas Kyd: **The Spanish Tragedy** (1580s?)
- Week 7: Christopher Marlowe: **Doctor Faustus** (1604)
- Week 8: Jacobean Drama --- Comedy of Humours --- Ben Jonson: **Volpone** (1605)
- Week 9: Mid-Term Exam
- Week 10: Jacobean Drama Continued --- John Webster: **The Duchess of Malfi** (1614?)
- Week 11: Restoration Drama and Theatre
- Week 12: Restoration Comedy of Manners --- George Etherege: **The Man of Mode** (1676)
- Week 13: Restoration Comedy of Manners Continued, First professional woman writer --- Aphra Behn: **The Lucky Chance** (1689)
- Week 14: Overall evaluation and discussion

Course Books: 1. M. H. Abrams, et al. **The Norton Anthology of English Literature**  
2. John Harold Wilson: **Six Restoration Plays**

Plays not found in these anthologies will have to be obtained as individual editions.

Method of Instruction: The course will be conducted through lecturing, 10-minute student presentations and class discussions.

Requirements: Attendance is obligatory; more than 11 hours of absence will result in an F1. Students are expected to come to class on time, with the relevant text and having read the assigned material.

Assessment:

Mid-Term Exam: 25 %

3 Pop-Quizzes: 15 %; 5 % each

10-minute oral presentation: 10 %

Final Exam: 50 % (Students must receive at least 50 points over 100 from the Final Exam.)

Plagiarism will result in F3. In the grading of all written and oral work 25 % will be taken off for English mistakes.

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