

## “Shakespeare Seminar” (Spring 2026)

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Course Introduction		Need for the Course	Course Offered as a Requirement for the DongA University Humanities Graduate School of English Language Education						
		Course Outline	This course is designed to provide students with a broad understanding of the themes, movements, and important authors and texts in the history of Western literature.						
Course Objective		1) Students will develop critical thinking and interpretive skills while gaining familiarity with selections from Shakespeare’s collected works; 2) They will gain an understanding of how literature both reflects and shapes human experience; 3) They will learn to engage with diverse perspectives and writing styles through systematic review of canonical and contemporary texts; and 4) They will enhance their written and verbal communication abilities while developing a deeper appreciation for the enduring themes and artistic innovations that characterize the Western literary tradition.							
Preliminary Requisites		N/A							
Texts		Main Text	Text and Materials will be provided by the instructor						
		References	Reference materials will be provided by the instructor and developed by the students through specific research projects.						
		Useful Websites	<a href="https://www.joeteacher.org.html">https://www.joeteacher.org.html</a>						
Methods of Instruction		Instructor lecture; flipped-class, student-led discussions; practical student-led activities; student research project; student presentations.							
Evaluation	Percentage	Attendance	Participation	Instructor's Discretion	Midterm	Final	etc.	Total	
		0%	20%	0%	40%	40%	0%	100%	
	Method	Attendance, Participation, Instructor Discretion, Mid-Term Project, and a written Final Exam covering the lectures, presentation, and other course materials.							

Week	Objective	Contents	References	Class Activities
1	Shakespeare’s England and the Invention of the Human	Syllabus and Introductory Lecture	Text Provided	Lecture, Discussion, and Activity
2	Shakespeare’s Sonnets: “Love is NOT love...”	Lecture. Classroom Activities. Discussion.	Text Provided	Quiz, Lecture, Discussion and Activity
3	Romeo and Juliet Act 1: “Father: On Lammas Eve at night shall she be fourteen.”	Lecture. Classroom Activities. Discussion.	Text Provided	Quiz, Lecture, Discussion and Activity
4	Romeo and Juliet Act 2: “Romeo: ...come what sorrow can, / It cannot countervail the exchange of joy...”	Lecture. Classroom Activities. Discussion.	Text Provided	Quiz, Lecture, Discussion and Activity
5	Romeo and Juliet Act 3: “Juliet: Can heaven be so envious?/ Nurse: Romeo can.”	Lecture. Classroom Activities. Discussion.	Text Provided	Quiz, Lecture, Discussion and Activity
6	Romeo and Juliet Act 4: “...’tis an ill cook that cannot lick his own fingers.”	Lecture. Classroom Activities. Discussion.	Text Provided	Quiz, Lecture, Discussion and Activity
7	Romeo and Juliet Act 5: “Death lies on her like an untimely frost / Upon the sweetest flower of all the field.”	Lecture. Classroom Activities. Discussion.	Text Provided	Quiz, Lecture, Discussion and Activity
8	Midterm Exam	Written exam over lecture materials	Exam Materials	Midterm Exam
9	Antony and Cleopatra Act 1: “In nature’s infinite book of secrecy / A little I can read.”	Lecture. Classroom Activities. Discussion.	Text Provided	Quiz, Lecture, Discussion and Activity

10	Antony and Cleopatra Act 2: "...she makes hungry / Where most she satisfies."	Lecture. Classroom Activities. Discussion.	Text Provided	Quiz, Lecture, Discussion and Activity
11	Antony and Cleopatra Act 3: "My heart was to thy rudder tied..."	Lecture. Classroom Activities. Discussion.	Text Provided	Quiz, Lecture, Discussion and Activity
12	Antony and Cleopatra Act 4: "The sevenfold shield of Ajax cannot keep / The battery from my heart."	Lecture. Classroom Activities. Discussion.	Text Provided	Quiz, Lecture, Discussion and Activity
13	Antony and Cleopatra Act 5: "The breaking of so great a thing should make / A greater crack."	Lecture. Classroom Activities. Discussion.	Text Provided	Quiz, Lecture, Discussion and Activity
14	Student Lectures	Lecture. Classroom Activities. Discussion.	Text Provided	Quiz, Lecture, Discussion and Activity
15	Student Lectures	Lecture. Classroom Activities. Discussion.	Text Provided	Quiz, Lecture, Discussion and Activity
16	Final Exam	Written examination over lecture materials	Exam Materials	Final Exam