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Introduction to Early Modern Literature (2AN1040)

Filières concernées	Nombre d'heures	Validation	Crédits ECTS
Pilier principal B A - langue et littérature anglaises (*)	Cours: 2 ph	écrit: 4 h	10
Pilier secondaire B A - langue et littérature anglaises	Cours: 2 ph	cont. continu	5

ph=période hebdomadaire, pg=période globale, j=jour, dj=demi-jour, h=heure, min=minute

Période d'enseignement:

- Semestre Printemps

Equipe enseignante:

Prof. Margaret Tudeau-Clayton (et prof invités); Rahel Orgis, Matthias Heim

Objectifs:

This aim of this course is to introduce students to the conversation between the present and the past which is the study of early modern literature.

Contenu:

We will start by looking at changing perceptions of the period which is called 'Renaissance' as well as 'early modern'. Within this framework we will study a range of kinds of writing (poetry, drama and prose) in contexts of the present as well as of the past : we will discuss, for instance, how they ask us to think again about : the character of the 'literary' or 'poetic' text; the idea of an individual subject/author; the value of originality and the attendant question of plagiarism. We will explore too how they negotiate questions of identity, especially the conflict between national and religious identities.

Forme de l'évaluation:

Regular attendance at lectures (only 3 justified absences permitted); 4 hour written exam in three parts: based on their own selection from the reading list students will be expected to show that they can : 1) analyse texts in relation to their historical context ; 2) analyse texts as formal structures ; 3) write an essay on a topic treated in the lecture or associated seminar.

NB. Students who do not pass this exam must retake it irrespective of the mark they obtain in the associated seminar.

Documentation:

Most of the texts we will discuss are in the Norton anthology, vol 1 (7th or 8th edition); additional reading will be available on the course Caroline site. The reading list can be found on the Institute website.

Forme de l'enseignement:

Weekly lecture with questions and discussion

(*) Cette matière est combinée avec d'autres matières pour l'évaluation