# GUIA DOCENTE DE LA ASIGNATURA (♥) APPROACHES TO EARLY MODERN ENGLISH POETRY AND DRAMA

Acercamientos a la Poesía y al Teatro del Renacimiento Inglés

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MÓDULO		Master's Programme in English Literature and Linguistics		
MATERIA		Approaches to Early Modern English Poetry and Drama		
CENTRO RESPONSABLE DEL TÍTULO		Escuela Internacional de Posgrado		
MÁSTER EN EL QUE SE IMPARTE		Máster Universitario en Literatura y Lingüística Inglesas		
CENTRO EN EL QUE SE IMPARTE LA DOCENCIA		Facultad de Traducción e Interpretación / Facultad de Filosofía y Letras		
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#### COMPETENCIAS GENERALES Y ESPECÍFICAS

- CG1. To develop communicative interpersonal and interlinguistic mediation skills
- CG2. To acquire the learning skills that will allow the student to continue her / his studies in a proactive, autonomous way.
- CG3. To search for information (in any sort of format) and turn it into knowledge.
- CG4: Use new technologies as a learning tool and a resource for research. Use it also as a means of communication and dissemination.
- CG5. To understand long and complex texts of any sort (technical, narrative, or literary)
- CG6. To present in a variety of formats (oral presentations, written essays, and any sort of digital format) clear and detailed descriptions of complex subjects, unfolding a specific narrative argument, and reaching relevant conclusions.
- CB6. To acquire and understand the sort of skills and knowledge that will turn their output into original ideas, through class participation, or in the form of essays or any other sort of output.
- CB7. To acquire and apply knowledge and skills to new contexts, and be able to engage in problem-solving strategies within interdisciplinary contexts related to their field of study.
- CB8. To integrate skills and knowledge in a way that empowers them to reach relevant conclusions based upon the general principles of social and ethic responsibility.
- CB9. To communicate their knowledge, ideas and arguments in a meaningful and clear way for both specialized and non-specialized audiences.
- CE3. To design and conduct research projects, and present their results in critical written essays, properly structured (introduction-development-final conclusions), using the MLA citation format, using clear and solid epistemological principles. For CE1 and CE2 see the following section.
- CE4. To present and defend, with as much clarity and rigour as possible, the methodology and the results of a research project in the field of English Literature and Linguistics.
- CE5. To understand primary and secondary texts in different periods and genres in English literatures, and their respective cultural and political contexts.
- CE6. To develop an interest for the intellectual and critical analysis of texts, critical theories, and in general different approaches to specific case studies in the field of Literatures in English.
- CE7. To know the different interdisciplinary approaches to the study of literatures in English, with a special emphasis on gender studies, identity politics, political discourse, postcolonial and translation studies

# OBJETIVOS O RESULTADOS DE APRENDIZAJE (SEGÚN LA MEMORIA DE VERIFICACIÓN DEL TÍTULO)

- To get to identify, know and analyse the epistemological foundations of English poetry, its classical and medieval background within a wider European context.
- To understand and describe the intersection between poetry, theology, and political discourse in Early Modern English poetry and drama.



- To know, identify, and analyse the main features of European Petrarchism, and its manifestation in English poetry through authors like Henry Howard, Thomas Wyatt, Philip Sidney, William Shakespeare, and John Donne.
- To identify, understand and analyse the main features shared by Renaissance English poetry and drama.
- To identify, understand and analyse how certain aesthetic ideas and aspects of political discourse manifest themselves in English Renaissance poetry and drama within a larger European context.
- To identify, understand and analyse how these and similar ideas also manifest themselves in other realms, such as the visual arts, architecture and music.
- To apply the previous skills in the elaboration of brief critical essays based on the reading lists of primary and secondary sources.
- To apply the previous skills in other authors, genres and periods which are also part of our MA programme

# BREVE DESCRIPCIÓN DE CONTENIDOS (SEGÚN LA MEMORIA DE VERIFICACIÓN DEL TÍTULO)

#### THEORETICAL

- O This class will explore the relation between poetic form and the interpretations that emanate from its metric and stylistic features.
- The class will focus upon the relation between these features and the history of political ideas, theology, and poetics. We shall also look into the relations between poetry and poetics with the visual arts and aesthetic theory.
- We shall look into the relations between Early Modern English poetry and drama, and how they relate to the classical tradition, Italian Petrarchism, and European humanism.

#### PRACTICAL

- We shall read poems by the following authors: Henry Howard (Earl of Surrey), Sir Thomas Wyatt, Sir Philip Sidney, William Shakespeare, and John Donne.
- O Visiting professors Andrew Hadfield and Greg Walker will focus on Early Modern English drama, with particular emphasis on the works of William Shakespeare (*Henry V*, *The Tempest*, and *King Lear*, among others)
- We shall also read some 20th and 21st century Anglo-American poems with a view to comparing their approaches to topics we shall encounter in Renaissance English poetry and their use of similar or contrasting stylistic resources and poetic ideas.
- We shall, to this latter effect, read Sir Philip Sidney's *Defence of Poetry* and compare this Renaissance treaty on the nature and functions of poetry with Ben Lerner's *The Hatred of Poetry*, a 21st century approach to the same subject.

# TEMARIO DETALLADO DE LA ASIGNATURA

Session #1

Introduction to the seminar, methodology and the reading assignments

Session #2

# Language-theology-politics-poetics

Eugene Vance. "Saint Augustine. Language as Temporality." In Lyons & Nichols, eds. 1982. *Mimesis: From Mirror to Method*, pp. 20-35.

José María Pérez Fernández. Between Chaos and Consensus: Language, Literature and Politics in Early Modernity. Click here to download a copy.



# Counterpoints:

**Kay Ryan** (1945 - ), "A Certain Meanness of Culture" and "Poetry is a kind of money" (*The Best of It: New and Selected Poems*, New York: Grove Press, 2010, pp. 64-5, 74)

Gary Snyder (1930 - ) "Milton by Firelight".

Session #3

# The poetics of Petrarchism and the earliest English Petrarchists: Surrey and Wyatt

- John Freccero. "The Fig Tree and the Laurel: Petrarch's Poetics." *Diacritics*, vol. 5, no. 1. Spring 1975, pp. 34-40.
- José María Pérez Fernández. "'Wyatt resteth here'. Surrey's republican elegy". *Renaissance Studies*, vol. 18, no. 2, 2004, pp. 208-238. Click here to download a copy.
  - o Henry Howard, Earl of Surrey (1517 − 1547)

"Wyatt restheth here"

"The things that cause a quiet life"

Surrey's translation of the Fourth Book of Virgil's Aeneid (lines 780-943)

o Sir Thomas Wyatt (1503 – 1542)

"Whoso list to hunt"

"Who list his wealth and ease retain" (you will need a vpn connection)

"Mine own John Poins"

# **Counterpoints**:

**Stevie Smith** (1902 – 1971), "Dido's Farewell to Aeneas", (*The Collected Poems and Drawings of Stevie Smith*, London: Faber & Faber, 2015, p. 379)

Ezra Pound (1885 - 1972), "Canto I".

Session #4

# Sidney and Shakespeare

- From Sidney's Astrophil and Stella.
  - "Loving in truth, and faine in verse my love to show" (A&S 1)
  - $\circ$  "It is most true, that eyes are form'd to serve" (A&S 5)
- From Shakespeare's Sonnets
  - o "From fairest creatures we desire increase" (no. 1)
  - o "Look in thy glass and tell the face thou viewest" (no. 3)
  - o "The expense of spirit in a waste of shame" (no. 129)
  - o "Whoever hath her wish, thou hast thy Will" (no. 135)



## Counterpoints:

**Wendy Cope** (1945 - )

"The expense of spirits is a crying shame"

"Not only marble, but the plastic toys" (Wendy Cope, *Two Cures for Love. Selected Poems 1979-*2006, London: Faber & Faber, 2008, pp. 61 and 62, respectively)

**Stevie Smith** (1902 – 1971), "Souvenir de Monsieur Poop", (*The Collected Poems and Drawings of Stevie Smith*, London: Faber & Faber, 2015, pp. 150-151)

Session #5

#### **Poets on Poetry**

Philip Sidney's *Defence of Poesie* (1595) Ben Lerner's *The Hatred of Poetry* (2016)

Session #6

Poetics, Politics and the Body. Corporeal Tropes in English Poetry and the Visual Arts Part 1.

Session #7

Poetics, Politics and the Body. Corporeal Tropes in English Poetry and the Visual Arts Part 2.

Session #8

## **Classics and Moderns: Contemporary Counterpoints**

We shall read, comment, and analyse the following poems and authors (please note that this is not a closed list). Copies of the poems will be provided in due time:

**Geoffrey Hill** (1932 – 2016)

"Holbein, I & II"

"Parallel Lives" (*A Treatise of Civil Power*, Harmondsworth: Penguin, 2007, pp. 7-8). Compare with Surrey's "My friends the things that do attain"; for Wyatt's translation of Plutarch, click here (you will need a vpn connection)

John Wilmot, Earl of Rochester (1647 – 1680)

"Seneca's *Troas*, Act 2. Chorus. Thus Englished by a Person of Honour" (*Selected Poems*, ed. Paul Davis, OUP: 2013, pp. 33-34)

"Upon Nothing"



**Lucia Perillo** (1958 – 2016), "<u>Transcendentalism</u>" (*Inseminating the Elephant*, Port Townsend, Washington: Copper Canyon Press, 2009, pp. 42-43)

Frederick Seidel (1936 - )

"America" (Widening Income Inequality, London: Faber & Faber, 2016, pp. 25-28)

Session #9

Andrew Hadfield - Part 1

Shakespeare and Political Theory: Britain, the colonies and politics in The Tempest and King Lear:

We will discuss the following topics:

- 1. The status of the ruler in each play.
- 2. Geography and maps.
- 3. Proper government and tyranny.
- 5. Men and women.
- 6. Advice/counsel.
- 7. Kingdoms and colonies.

In class we will act out sections of

- King Lear, scene 20 (in the Oxford edition); Act IV, scene vi in the Arden edition.
- The Tempest, Act I, scene ii; and Act II, scene I.

Please read these scenes especially carefully.

Session #10

**Andrew Hadfield – Part 2** 

Shakespeare and Political Theory: Britain, the colonies and politics in The Tempest and King Lear.

Session #11

Greg Walker - Part 1

'Shakespeare's *Henry V* and the representation of kingship

Reading assignments: William Shakespeare, Henry V

Session #12

Greg Walker - Part 2

'Shakespeare's Henry V and the representation of kingship



# Reading assignments: William Shakespeare, Henry V

#### Session #13

#### From John Donne to Michael S. Robert

# Reading list:

- "To his Mistress Going to Bed"
- "The Good Morrow"
- "The Sun Rising"
- "The Relic"
- "Batter my heart . . ."
- "Meditation 17" from Devotions.
- "Expostulation 19"
- "Meditation 4"

# Michael Symmons Robert (1963 - ), Corpus (London: Cape, 2004)

- "To John Donne" (also in Selected Poems, 2016, pp. 62-3)
- "Cosmology" (also in Selected Poems, 2016, p. 65)
- "Corpse" (also in Selected Poems, 2016, p. 86)

HORARIO (Según lo establecido en el POD)	HERRAMIENTAS PARA LA ATENCIÓN TUTORIAL (Indicar medios telemáticos para la atención tutorial)
El horario se puede consultar en la web del máster: <a href="http://maenglishugr.com/">http://maenglishugr.com/</a>	Skype, Jitsy, Zoom, Google Meet, o cualquier otro programa que esté disponible

#### MEDIDAS DE ADAPTACIÓN DE LA METODOLOGÍA DOCENTE

Dada la naturaleza del programa y de sus contenidos, se puede impartir indistintamente de forma presencial, semipresencial, o totalmente virtual

MEDIDAS DE ADAPTACIÓN DE LA EVALUACIÓN (Instrumentos, criterios y porcentajes sobre la calificación final)

Convocatoria Ordinaria

## **Evaluation instruments**

Oral presentations, class participation, written essays

## **Evaluation Criteria**

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These essays should be around 1500 words, and each student will have to hand in one for each of the following sessions:



1 essay for session # 2 1 essay for session # 3 1 essay for session # 4 1 essay for session # 5 1 essay for sessions # 6 and 7 1 essay for session #8 1 essay for sessions # 9 and 10 1 essay for sessions # 11 and 12

1 essay for session # 13

This makes a total of 9 short (around 1500 words each) essays.

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Evaluación Única Final

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# ESCENARIO B (SUSPENSIÓN DE LA ACTIVIDAD PRESENCIAL)

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Convocatoria Ordinaria

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Convocatoria Extraordinaria

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