

Colonial American Literature

ENGLISH 350:315:01 | MH2 LSH B115

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REQUIRED TEXTS:

Jehlen, Myra and Michael Warner. *The English Literatures of America*.
Franklin, Benjamin. *The Autobiography and Other Writings*.
Rowson, Susanna. *Charlotte Temple*.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

- ▶ One short paper (4-6 pages) due c. Feb. 26.
- ▶ Midterm exam c. Mar. 8.
- ▶ Second short paper (4-6 pages) due c. Apr. 23.
- ▶ Final exam during exam period.
- ▶ Frequent unannounced quizzes to test reading.
- ▶ Class participation and regular attendance. Each unexcused absence counts as one failed quiz, regardless of whether or not a quiz was given on the date of absence. Missed quizzes cannot be made up.
- ▶ One letter grade will be deducted *per class* for late papers, unless I have granted an extension *beforehand*.

GRADING:

Grading criteria will be discussed for individual assignments. Final grades will be determined strictly by these percentages:

Paper One:	20%
Midterm:	20%
Paper Two:	20%
Final:	20%
Quizzes:	10%
Class Participation:	10%

PARTIAL SCHEDULE OF CLASSES:

UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED, ALL READINGS ARE IN ELA

January 18: Introductions
Syllabus
Introductions

January 22: Reporting the Colonies
Hariot, 64ff

January 25: What is a Colony, Anyway?
Machiavelli, 10ff
Columbus, 11ff
Four views on plantation, 58ff
Bacon, 97ff
Definition of "colony," 100
Smith, 116ff

January 29: How Very Wrong Disney Was: Capt. Smith
Xerox to be given to class

February 1: Drugs, Drugs, Drugs
James I, 198ff

Smith, 200ff
Ligon, 201ff

February 5: That Haunting Feeling: Bradford
Bradford, 176ff

February 8: Sex, Sex, Sex
Vespucci, 17ff
Raleigh, 91ff
Wood, 164ff
Morton, 168ff
Bradford, 175ff
Winthrop, 441ff
Smith, Xerox to be given to class

February 12: Women on the Move! Part I
Rowlandson, 349ff

February 15: Women on the Move! Part II
Knight, 415ff

February 19: Phew! Let's Slow Down!
Catch-up / Paper workshopping

February 22: He /s Colonial America: Benjamin Franklin
The Autobiography

February 26: He /s Colonial America: Benjamin Franklin
The Autobiography
Tentative Due Date, Paper One

March 1: He /s Colonial America: Benjamin Franklin

The Autobiography

March 5: He /s Colonial America: Benjamin Franklin
The Autobiography

March 8: Half Way There!
Midterm Exam

March 12: Escape from Colonial America! Part I
Spring Break

March 15: Escape from Colonial America! Part II
Spring Break

TENTATIVE SECOND HALF PREVIEW:

3/19 - 3/22: Mather/Magic/Science

3/26 - 3/29: Colony and Nation

4/02 - 4/05: Colonial Poetry

4/09 - 4/12: Religion

4/16: Catch-up / Paper workshopping

4/23 - 4/30: *Charlotte Temple*

Colonial American Lit, Spring '01
Syllabus, the Rest

03.08.01 PAPER ONE DUE
Ben Franklin, Part 2

- 03.12.01 SPRING BREAK
- 03.15.01 SPRING BREAK
- 03.19.01 Ben Franklin, Part 3, up to "Advertisement" on p.125
- 03.22.01 MIDTERM
- 03.26.01 The Mathers!
Increase Mather, "Essay," 504ff.
Cotton Mather, "Philosopher," 904ff.
- 03.29.01 Magic/Science
Eliot, "Imps," 318ff.
Chamberlain, "Lithobolia," 388ff.
Wilkins, "Moon," 492ff.
Smallpox, 521ff.
Edwards, "Spiders," 907ff.
Franklin, "Lightning," 915ff.
- 04.02.01 Colony
Winthrop, "Modell," 151ff.
Bacon's Rebellion, 225ff.
Cotton, "Promise," 160ff.
- 04.05.01 Nation
Pownall, "Colonies," 836ff.
Franklin, "Edict," 845ff.
Jefferson, "Declaration," 858ff.
Paine, "Crisis," 868ff.
Madison, "Federalist #10," 885ff.
- 04.09.01 Poetry
Bradstreet, 548ff.
Wigglesworth, "Song," 576ff.
Dwight, 1085ff.
Wheatley, 1076ff.
Barlow, 1094ff.
Freneau, 1104ff.
- 04.12.01 Religion

Shepard, "Visit," 316ff.
Hooke, "Tears," 447ff.
Edwards, "Sinners," 616ff.
Occom, "Sermon," 643ff.
Paine, "Reason," 673ff.

04.16.01 *Charlotte Temple*

04.23.01 Draft Day, Catch-Up Day, or *CT*

04.30.01 *Charlotte Temple*