

ENGL 433 The Culture of Modernism

Trimester 1 2015

2 March to 1 July 2015

30 Points



IMPORTANT DATES

Teaching dates: 2 March to 5 June 2015

Easter/Mid-Trimester break: 3 to 19 April 2015

Study period: 8 to 12 June 2015

Examination/Assessment period: 12 June to 1 July 2015

Note: Students who enrol in courses with examinations must be able to attend an examination at the University at any time during the scheduled examination period.

Withdrawal dates:

Refer to www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/withdrawals-refunds. If you cannot complete an assignment or sit a test or examination, refer to www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/exams/aegrotats.

CLASS TIMES AND LOCATIONS

Wed 1.10 - 4.00pm Von Zedlitz VZ808

NAMES AND CONTACT DETAILS

Staff:	Email:	Phone:	Room:	Office Hours:
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COMMUNICATION OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you are not going to use the Victoria email address set up for you, we strongly encourage you to set a forward from the Victoria email system to the email address you do use.

PRESCRIPTION

This course looks at some of the most important writers who came to prominence during the 1930s or who made their mark on that decade. It will be particularly concerned with the politics of the era and will consider how writers reacted to such events as the Depression, the Spanish Civil War and the rise of fascism.

COURSE LEARNING OBJECTIVES (CLOS)

Students who pass this course will be able to:

- 1) have a familiarity with some of the more important texts written by British writers during the 1930s
- 2) situate these texts within their historical context.

TEACHING FORMAT

All classes will be seminars.

MANDATORY COURSE REQUIREMENTS

In addition to achieving an overall pass mark of 50%, students must:

- submit the essays and assignments, on or by the specified dates (subject to such provisions as are stated for late submission of work)
- sit the examination
- attend all the seminars.

WORKLOAD

The expected workload for a 30-point course is 300 hours over the trimester or 20 hours per teaching week.

ASSESSMENT

Assessment items and workload per item		%	CLO(s)	Due date
1	Essay 1 (2500 words)	25%	1,2	29/04/15
2	Essay 2 (2500 words)	25%	1,2	03/06/15
3	Exam (3 hours)	50%	1,2	

There are two 2,500 word in-term essays required, each worth 25% of the course's assessment requirements. The final three-hour exam is worth 50% and is open book.

Please note: Marks for Honours level assignments and final course grades are not finalised until feedback from the external examiner has been considered. Honours grades gained in individual courses remain provisional until the overall final classification made by the Honours programme examination committee.

SUBMISSION AND RETURN OF WORK

Work provided for assessment in this course may be checked for academic integrity by Turnitin the online plagiarism prevention tool.

Hardcopy assignments are submitted in the drop slot outside the administration office: [von Zedlitz Level 8](#). Attach an assignment cover sheet found on Blackboard or outside the administration office. Remember to fill in your tutor's name.

Your marked assignment will be handed back by your tutor in tutorials or during their office hours. Any uncollected assignments can be picked up from the Programme Administrator after the last day of teaching. Assignments will be held in the administration office until the end of the following trimester. You need to show your student identification to collect marked assignment from the administration office.

Each assignment is submitted in two formats:

- A hardcopy in the drop slot outside the administration office: von Zedlitz Level 8. Attach an assignment cover sheet or extension form to your assignment, found on Blackboard or outside the administration office.
- Email your assignment as a MS Word file to english@vuw.ac.nz. Your marked assignment will be handed back by your supervisor. Any uncollected assignments can be picked up from the Programme Administrator after the last day of teaching. Assignments will be held in the administration office until the end of the following trimester. You need to show your student identification to collect marked assignment from the administration office.

EXTENSIONS AND PENALTIES

Extensions

In exceptional and unforeseen circumstances an extension may be granted. To apply for an extension, email your Course Coordinator before the assignment is due. If granted, your Course Coordinator will inform you of the new due date. Tutors cannot grant extensions. **No assignment with or without an extension will be accepted after Wednesday 1 July 2015.**

Penalties

Work submitted after the deadline will be penalised by a 2.5 percent deduction from your total mark per work day. Late work also receives only minimal comments from your marker.

SET TEXTS

Lewis Grassic Gibson, *Sunset Song*

Evelyn Waugh, *A Handful of Dust*

Christopher Isherwood, *Goodbye to Berlin*

Walter Greenwood, *Love on the Dole*

George Orwell, *Road to Wigan*

Virginia Woolf, *Between the Acts*

Robin Skelton, *Poetry of the Thirties*

Elizabeth Bowen, *The Death of the Heart*

You can order textbooks online at www.vicbooks.co.nz or can email an order or enquiry to enquiries@vicbooks.co.nz.

CLASS REPRESENTATIVE

The class representative provides a useful way to communicate feedback to the teaching staff during the course. A class representative will be selected at the first lecture of the course. Students may like to write the Class Rep's name and details in this box:

Class Rep name and contact details:

STUDENT FEEDBACK

In week six or seven of the trimester your class representative will be invited to a meeting with the Programme staff. In week five your class representative will ask the class for any feedback on this course to discuss at this meeting.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The information above is specific to this course. There is other important information that students must familiarise themselves with, including:

- Academic Integrity and Plagiarism: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/exams/integrity-plagiarism
- Aegrotats: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/exams/aegrotats
- Academic Progress: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/progress/academic-progress (including restrictions and non-engagement)
- Dates and deadlines: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/dates
- FHSS Student and Academic Services Office: www.victoria.ac.nz/fhss/student-admin
- Grades: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/progress/grades
- Resolving academic issues: www.victoria.ac.nz/about/governance/dvc-academic/publications
- Special passes: www.victoria.ac.nz/about/governance/dvc-academic/publications
- Statutes and policies including the Student Conduct Statute:
www.victoria.ac.nz/about/governance/strategy
- Student support: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/support
- Students with disabilities: www.victoria.ac.nz/st_services/disability
- Student Charter: www.victoria.ac.nz/learning-teaching/learning-partnerships/student-charter
- Student Contract: www.victoria.ac.nz/study/apply-enrol/terms-conditions/student-contract
- Subject Librarians: <http://library.victoria.ac.nz/library-v2/find-your-subject-librarian>
- Turnitin: www.cad.vuw.ac.nz/wiki/index.php/Turnitin
- University structure: www.victoria.ac.nz/about/governance/structure
- Victoria graduate profile: www.victoria.ac.nz/learning-teaching/learning-partnerships/graduate-profile
- VUWSA: www.vuwsa.org.nz
- School website: www.victoria.ac.nz/seftms

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COURSE PROGRAMME

Week 1 4 Mar Introduction. No required reading

Week 2 11 Mar Gibbon

Week 3 18 Mar Poetry of the Thirties (Auden)

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Week 5 1 Apr Bowen

Easter/Mid Trimester Break: Friday 3 to Sunday 19 April 2015

Week 6 22 Apr Greenwood

Week 7 29 Apr Mass Observation **First Essay due: 29 April**

Week 8 7 May Waugh

Week 9 14 May Woolf

Week 10 21 May Orwell

Week 11 28 May Isherwood

Week 12 3 Jun Chaplin **Second Essay due: 3 June**

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