Engl. 445  Course Description Spring 2016

This course provides an historical and literary critical reading of the literary masterpieces by Homer, Aeschylus, Sophocles, Euripides, Aristophanes, Plato, Virgil, Ovid, Augustine, Dante, Erasmus, Gottfried von Strassburg, Rabelais, Cervantes, Voltaire, Abbé Prévost, Goethe, and others. The primary objective is to acquire a familiarity with content, literary form, and cultural background as a means to help the student better understand and recognize the influence of these works on the development of the Western literary tradition.