Fitt .i. Course Description

OEII: The Adventure Continues! In OEII we’ll read a varied selection of shorter poems and prose in Old English and perform a reenactment of the *The Battle of Maldon*. You’ll get some of the finer points of OE grammar and we’ll review other grammatical concepts as needed. The course will also familiarize you with some of the basic language tools used for studying and reconstructing Old English.

*Ne bið nan anginn herigendlic butan godre geendung.*
*Ælc lof bið on ende gesungen.* – Ælfric

Fitt .ii. Texts Needed

**Texts, Required**
You should already have everything you need:


Additional readings will be supplied.

Fitt .iii. Itinerary
PLEASE NOTE:
- This class is not as reliant on Canvas as OEI, and you’ll notice the build-out is quite spare.
- I’m experimenting with the theory that quizzes aren’t necessary for OEII. I’ve left the quizzes operational on Canvas, however, in case you want them. Do them (or not) if you find them helpful. I won’t be monitoring them – although if you do them and run into problems, let me know.
- The class will have a midterm and a final!

Weekly Rhythm
➢ Mondays: discussion/translation of assigned passage. Other assignments due by midnight.
➢ Wednesdays: discussion/translation of assigned passage. Other assignments due by midnight.
➢ Fridays: “Difficult Passages” due on next week’s text by noon (around the end of our regular class period)

Week 1
M Introduction
   Sometime this week: retake the final from OEI. This is just to see where you’re at with the grammar. Don’t study for it. The score shouldn’t count toward any grade.

W The Cases, in their full glory
   Note: You should do the worksheets to go with the cases. They’re on Canvas under Files > Worksheets, New
   Uses of the Genitive
   Uses of the Dative
   Prepositions

F Reading OE: Methods. Sight reading passage will be provided
   DUE: Self-grading Essay 1, by class
   Grad students: meet with me to discuss term project by Week 4

Week 2

F DUE: Difficult Passages, by noon, from Wulf and Eadwacer

Week 3
M  MLK Jr. Day. No class

F  DUE: Difficult Passages, by noon, on *Fates of Men*

**Week 4**

Reading: *Fates of Men* (Canvas), ll. 1-60

W  DUE: Research Tools Project I: Dictionaries, by class

F  DUE: Difficult Passages, by noon, on *The Wanderer*, pt. 1
    Grad students’ Deadline: meet with me before this point to discuss term project

**Week 5**

Reading: *The Wanderer*, ll. 1-57, Baker p. 240

W  DUE: Midterm, by class

F  DUE: Difficult Passages, by noon, on *The Wanderer*

**Week 6**

Reading: *The Wanderer*, ll. 58-115

    Midterm Check in (quiz format), do it by Friday’s class

F  DUE: Difficult Passages, by noon, on *The Battle of Maldon*, opening passage

**Week 7**

Reading: *Battle of Maldon*, Baker p. 227 and script (for reenactment) on Canvas

W  *Battle of Maldon*, read through (pronunciation review)
    DUE: Random Passage! Your translation of a passage from a poem already read. The passage could come from anywhere in any poem assigned before *Maldon*. I’ll announce which passage in class and you’ll need to get it to me by the end of the day (submit on Canvas)

F  DUE: Difficult Passages, by noon, on *The Battle of Maldon*, your speech

**Week 8**

Reading: *Battle of Maldon*, cont.
W  DUE: Research Tools Project 2, by class

F  No Difficult Passages this week

Week 9

Reading: *Battle of Maldon*, Baker p. 227 and script (for reenactment) on Canvas

W  *Battle of Maldon*, re-enacted!
   I’m hoping to do this outdoors. Costumes and weapons are welcome (so long as the weapons comply with the law)Read/Translate
   DUE: Composition, by class

F  DUE: Difficult Passages, by noon, on riddles

Week 10

Reading: Riddles. *Not* the ones in Baker (pp. 223ff) because he gives the solutions! Think of that! Ridiculous! Alternate riddles are on Canvas > Files > Readings and Resources

W  DUE: Random translated passages. Five passages, announced in class. You’ll need to submit them by the end of the day. One of the passages will be your speech from the *Battle of Maldon*. The rest will come from any texts assigned before Maldon.

F  DUE: Graduate Student Projects, by class

Finals Week

Final exam due by **Thursday, March 17 at 10.15am**

Friday, March 18 by **noon**: Self-grading essay 2