

ENG 463: The Victorian Period

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Course Description

So many documents, images, and even audio recordings still exist from the Victorian period that it is one of the richest periods for historical research. This, therefore is a course in research as well as a course in the literature of a historical period. Students will pick a major Victorian figure to research over the course of the semester, and will produce a major wiki resource by the end of the course.

Course Objectives

By the end of the course, students will

- understand and engage in the human experience of the Victorian period through reading and discussing Victorian texts;
- understand how to find primary resources from the Victorian period (images, audio, and texts) using the internet, research databases, and library catalogs; and
- be able to speak and write accurately and in depth about one major Victorian figure.

Textbooks

- Mitchell, Sally. *Daily Life in Victorian England*. Westport, Conn.: Greenwood Press, 1996.
- Wilde, Oscar. *The Complete Works of Oscar Wilde*. NY: Harper-Perennial, 1989.

Assignments

- weekly reading quizzes -- 30%
- weekly research assignments posted to wiki -- 30%
- final essay exam -- 40%

Attendance

I will not be taking attendance in this class.

Academic Integrity

It is the understanding of the instructors of this course that the student's typed or signed name on any assignment indicates that the student adheres to the Honor pledge and neither gave nor received unauthorized aid on the assignment. The instructor supports academic integrity as defined by NCSU's Code of Student Conduct Policy (POL11.35.1): http://www.ncsu.edu/policies/student_services/student_discipline/POL11.35.1.php.

Accommodations for Students with Disabilities

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http://www.ncsu.edu/policies/academic_affairs/pols_regs/REG205.00.28.php.

Additional Notes

This course requires no laboratory work, field trips, extra expenses, or extra transportation.
