

German 44: The Faust Tradition

Fall 2007

10A (Tues. and Thurs., 10.00-11.50)

Max Kade German Center

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Office hours: Wed. and Fri., 10:00-12:00

September 27: Introduction

The Historical Faust and His Age (c. 1480-1540)

October 2: *The Damnable Life and Deserved Death of Dr. John Faust* (1587)

October 4, 9: Christopher Marlowe (1564-93)

The Tragical History of the Life and Death of Doctor Faustus (1604/1616)

October 11, 16, 18, 23: Johann Wolfgang von Goethe (1749-1832)

Faust (1808/1832)

October 25: Faust and the Visual Arts

October 30: Faust and Music

November 1: Faust and Film

November 6: Faust and Other National Literatures

November 8, 13: Mikhail Bulgakov (1891-1940)

The Master and Margarita (1966-67 [1928-40])

November 15, 20, 27, 29: Thomas Mann (1875-1955)

Doctor Faustus (1947)

Conclusion

Faust Today

December 4

Texts (available at Wheelock Books):

Marlowe: *Doctor Faustus*, ed. Kastan (Norton)

Goethe: *Faust*, trans. Arndt, ed. Hamlin (Norton)

Bulgakov: *The Master and Margarita*, trans. Bergin and O'Connor (Vintage)

Mann: *Doctor Faustus*, trans. Woods (Vintage)

Requirements

A. Alert presence, thorough preparation, and active participation in all classes

B. Punctual submission of three five-page essays on the following dates and authors:

Friday, October 12: *History ...* and/or Marlowe (revision due: Friday, 10/26)

Friday, November 2: Goethe (optional revision due: Friday, 11/16)

Friday, November 30: Bulgakov and/or Mann

C. Polished delivery of a 10-15 minute oral report on a work of art, or a musical composition, or a film, or a literary text considered under one of the following rubrics on one of the following dates:

Thursday, October 25: Faust and the Visual Arts

Tuesday, October 30: Faust and Music

Thursday, November 1: Faust and Film

Tuesday, November 6: Faust and Other National Literatures

D. Revision and expansion of your oral report into a 10-page term/research paper. Due on Tuesday, December 11.

E. Cheerful attention to any other assignments you are asked to do

All requirements affect your final grade. The general guidelines for determining that grade are: essays=40%, oral report and term paper=40%, and class participation=20% of final grade.

All academic interactions at Dartmouth are governed by the Academic Honor Principle.

Students who have learning, physical, or psychiatric disabilities and may need accommodations related to such disabilities should speak with me in the first week of class.