

CWRU M.A. Reading List

Part I – 90 Minute Oral Examination

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Part I of the M.A. Exam involves a 90-minute oral examination before a small Departmental committee. The exam committee will probe the candidate's knowledge of the list and her or his ability to think in nuanced, comparative ways about items on the list. Questions about pedagogical approaches to the texts can also be posed.

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| 1. Unknown | <i>Beowulf: A New Verse Translation</i> | Norton (Bilingual Ed), Trans. Heaney |
| 2. Chaucer | <i>Canterbury Tales</i> | Norton Critical, Ed. Kolve |
| 3. Spenser | <i>The Faerie Queene, Book I</i> | Longman, ed. Hamilton (2006) |
| 4. Shakespeare | <i>King Lear & Twelfth Night</i> | <i>Lear</i> : Pelican; <i>12th</i> : Arden |
| 5. Cavendish | <i>The Blazing World</i> | Penguin, ed. Lilley |
| 6. Marvell | <i>Complete Poems</i> | Longman, ed. Nigel Smith |
| 7. Milton | <i>Paradise Lost</i> | Merritt Hughes/David Kastan |
| 8. Richardson | <i>Pamela; Or, Virtue Rewarded</i> | Oxford, E.d, Keymer |
| 9. Wordsworth | <i>The Prelude</i> (1805) | Norton |
| 10. Austen | <i>Emma</i> | Oxford |
| 11. Whitman | <i>The Leaves of Grass</i> (1855) | Dover Thrift (2007) |
| 12. Melville | <i>Moby-Dick</i> | Norton, ed. Parker |
| 13. Dickinson | Selections in <i>Norton Anthology of Poetry</i> | Norton, Full 5 th edition |
| 14. Eliot | <i>Middlemarch</i> | Oxford |
| 15. Joyce | <i>Dubliners</i> | Norton |
| 16. Cather | <i>Death Comes for the Archbishop</i> | Vintage |
| 17. Beckett | <i>Molloy</i> | Grove |
| 18. Bishop | <i>Geography III: Poems</i> | Farrar, Straus & Giroux (2008) |
| 19. Morrison | <i>Beloved</i> | Vintage |
| 20. Munro | <i>Selected Stories</i> | Vintage |
| 21. Rankine | <i>Citizen: An American Lyric</i> | Graywolf |
| 22. Three Films* | <i>Sunrise</i> (F.W. Murnau, 1927)
<i>The 39 Steps</i> (Alfred Hitchcock, 1935)
<i>At Land</i> (Maya Deren, 1944) | |

* If a student wishes to answer questions about the films, she/he must petition the Graduate Committee by the end of the second semester of study.