# Paideia Spring 2013 Common Syllabus

SPRING 2013 SYLLABUS: "What can we know and how can we know our understanding is reliable?"

# Friday, February 1

- Reader (14-30)
- Introduction (*Reader* 14-27)
- Lecture: "Who Knows???? History, Fiction, and Martin Guerre" (Christman, V; V206)
- Natalie Zemon Davis, *The Return of Martin Guerre*, Preface (vii-x), Introduction and Ch. 1 (1-18)

# Monday, February 4

- *Reader* (30)
- The Return of Martin Guerre, Chs. 2-5 (19-50)

# Wednesday, February 6

- *Reader* (31-32)
- The Return of Martin Guerre, Chs. 3-9 (51-93)

# Friday, February 8

• *Reader* (32)

• The Return of Martin Guerre, Chs. 10-12 and Epilogue (94-125)

# Monday, February 11

- *Reader* (32-34)
- Robert Finlay, "The Refashioning of Martin Guerre" (552-571) and Natalie Zemon Davis,
  "On the Lame" (572-604) JSTOR.
- Review and Common Quiz on *Martin Guerre* and readings.

# Wednesday, February 13

- *Reader* (34-43)
- The Research Project (Your instructor will provide a detailed syllabus for your section's Research Unit)

# Friday, February 15

- Research Project: Consult your section syllabus
- Response Paper on Davis due

#### Monday, February 18

• Research Project: Consult your section syllabus

#### Wednesday, February 20

• Research Project: Consult your section syllabus

#### Friday, February 22

• Research Project: Consult your section syllabus

### Monday, February 25

• Research Project: Consult your section syllabus

#### Wednesday, February 27

• Research Project: Consult your section syllabus

#### Friday, March 1

• Research Project: Consult your section syllabus

#### Monday, March 4

• Research Project: Consult your section syllabus

#### Wednesday, March 6

• Writing Workshop on the Research Paper

#### Friday, March 8

- *Reader* (44-50)
- Lecture: "Perhaps They're All Telling the Truth: Kurosawa, Roshoman and Subjective

Knowledge" (Hurley, S; V206)

• Ryūnosuke Akutagawa, "In a Grove" and "Rashomon" (*Reαder* 73-98).

# Saturday, March 9

- *Reader* (44-50)
- Film: *Rashōmon* (10 am and 1:30 pm; V206)

# Sunday, March 10

- *Reader* (44-50)
- Film: Rashomon (3:30 pm and 7:30 pm; V206)

# Monday, March 11

- *Reader* (50)
- Discussion of "In a Grove" "Rashomon" and the film Rashomon
- First version of Research Paper due

#### Wednesday, March 13

• Review and Common Quiz on Rashomon

#### Friday, March 15

- *Reader* (50-56)
- Lecture: "Persepolis: A Look at Revolutionary Iran" (Caton, B; V206)
- Marjane Satrapi, Persepolis: The Story of a Childhood (1-153)

#### Monday, March 18

• Discussion of *Persepolis* 

#### Wednesday, March 20

• Review and Common Quiz on Persepolis

#### Friday, March 22

• Midterm Exam

#### Saturday, March 23—Monday, April 1

• Spring/Easter Break

# Question 2: "How do communities come to know? What are the limits of communal knowing?"

#### Wednesday, April 3

- *Reader* (57-60)
- Dava Sobel, Longitude: The True Story of a Lone Genius Who Solved the Greatest Scientific Problem of His Time (1-50)

#### Friday, April 5

• Lecture: "'We were the first that ever burst/ Into that silent sea': Finding a ship's position with the first Sea Clock" (Preus, N; Wilkerson, J; V206)

- *Reader* (60)
- Longitude (51-99)

# Monday, April 8

- *Reader* (60-61)
- *Longitude* (100-137)

# Wednesday, April 10

- *Reader* (61)
- *Longitude* (138-175)
- Discussion and Common Quiz on Longitude

# Friday, April 12

- Lecture: "The Limits of Communal Understanding in Early Colonial Umuofia" (Mtisi, R; V206)
- *Reader* (62-64)
- Chinua Achebe, *Things Fall Apart*, Chs. 1-3 (1-25)

# Monday, April 15

• *Reader* (64-65)

• Things Fall Apart, Chs. 4-8 (26-74)

#### Wednesday, April 17

- *Reader* (65-66)
- Things Fall Apart, Chs. 9-13 (75-125)

# Friday, April 19

- *Reader* (66-67)
- Things Fall Apart, Chs. 14-19 (127-167)

# Monday, April 22

- Reader (67-68) Things Fall Apart, Chapters 20-25 (169-209)
- Review and Common Quiz on *Things Fall Apart*

#### Wednesday, April 24

• Writing Workshop for Final Paper

#### Friday, April 26

- *Reader* (68-70)
- Lecture: "Much Ado About Knowing" (Barry, N; V206)
- Shakespeare, Much Ado About Nothing, Acts 1-2

#### Monday, April 29

- *Reader* (70-71)
- Much Ado About Nothing, Acts 1-4

#### Wednesday, May 1

- *Reader* (71-72)
- Much Ado About Nothing, Acts 1-5

#### Friday, May 3

- Celebrating Research: An All-College Symposium
- Final Paper Due

# Monday, May 6

- *Reader* (72)
- Much Ado About Nothing, Acts 1-5

# Wednesday, May 8

• Conclusion and Common Quiz on Much Ado About Nothing

# Friday, May 10

Review

# Exam Week, May 13 thru May 16

• Final Exam