

Chaucer Spring 2015



English 4523/6523
Tu/Th 9:30-10:45
Professor Holly Johnson

In this course we will study the poetry of Geoffrey Chaucer within the context of the fourteenth century. We will focus on *The Canterbury Tales* and read Chaucer's masterpiece in Middle English, so you will learn to read and pronounce Middle English with a reasonable degree of accuracy and ease. Course requirements include translation/reading quizzes, a short translation project, a research paper and annotated bibliography, a midterm, and a final exam. The required text for the class is the Broadview edition of *The Canterbury Tales*, 2nd edition, and possibly *A Companion to Chaucer and his Contemporaries: Texts and Contexts* (Broadview 2009).