

An open medieval manuscript with handwritten text in two columns. The text is written in a dark ink on aged, yellowish paper. The script is a formal Gothic hand. The manuscript is bound in the center, and the pages are slightly curved. The background is dark, making the manuscript stand out.

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What does a Medievalist do?

Medieval

Middle Ages

Dr. Damian Fleming

Teaching:

- **Medieval Literature**
 - **Old English (*Beowulf!*)**
 - **Middle English (Chaucer!)**
- **History of the English Language (HEL)**
- **Latin**
- **Classical Mythology**
- **Old Books / Manuscripts**

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Medieval Movies Nights

[Information on Dr. Fleming's CO-LAB for 2024](#)

Minor in Medieval Studies: 15 Credits

Required Course: Credits 3

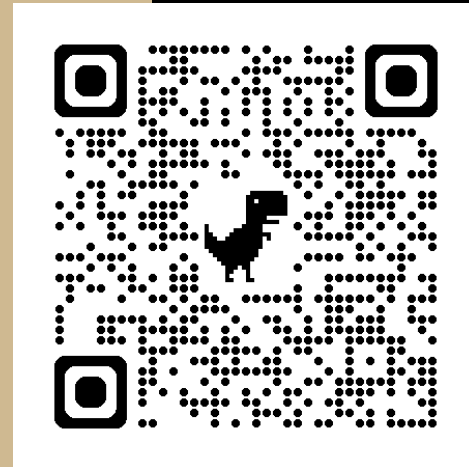
- MARS 20100 - Medieval Encounters

Take one course from each of the four Areas:

(other courses may be substituted with the permission of the Coordinator, Dr. Fleming)

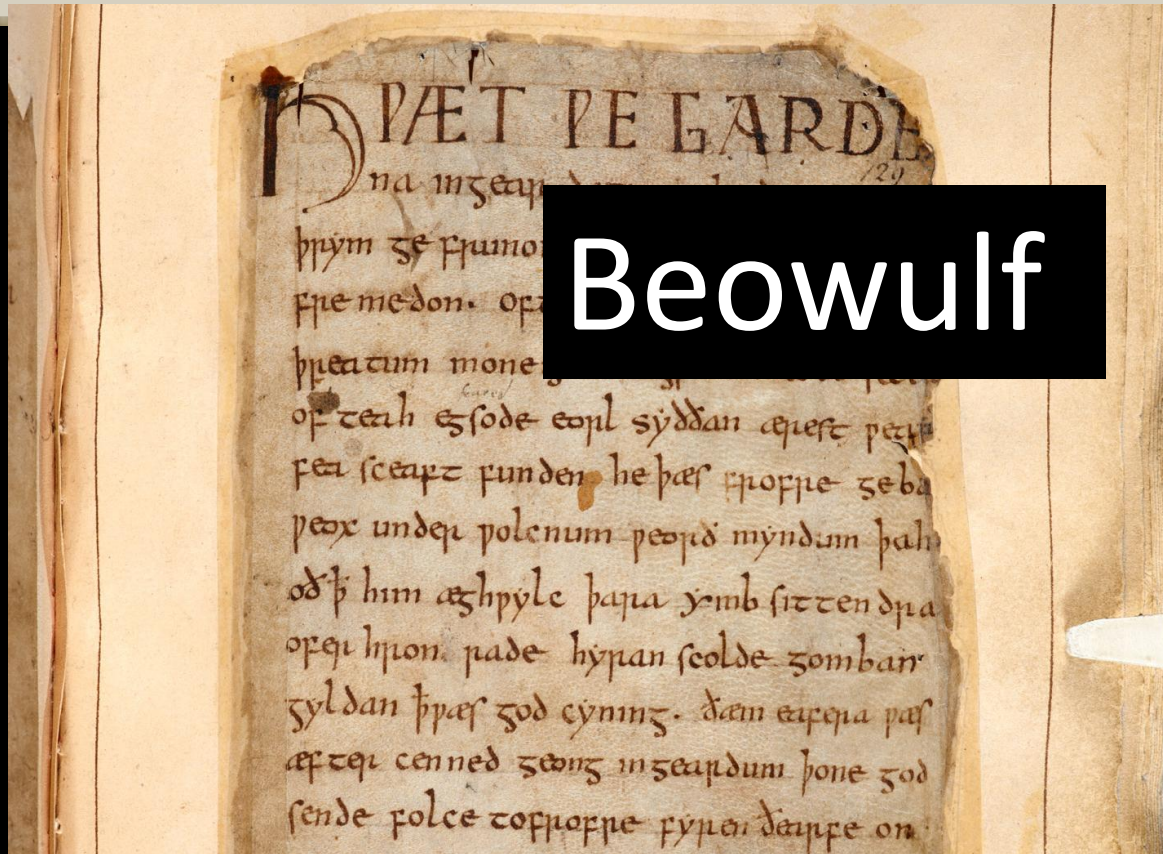
Area I - History: Credits 3

- HIST 23400 - Witchcraft And Witch Hunts c. 1400-1750
- HIST 32503 - History of Christianity
- HIST 35102 - Western Europe In The Early Middle Ages
- HIST 35202 - Western Europe In The High And Later Middle Ages
- HIST 38801 - Roman History **FALL 2024**
- HIST 39002 - Decline And Fall Of The Roman Empire
- HIST 40201 - Byzantine History And Civilization II
- Senior Seminar: Medieval Heresy **FALL 2024**



The Anthropology Club Presents:

Turn Down for Hwæt: Hip-Hop and Medieval Poetry



Bring a Bucket and a Mop For this Old Ass Poetry

This was the olde opinion as quene
7 quene of manye hundredes yeres ago
But nowe kan no man / or none shies mo
for nowe the grete chaunte / and prayeres
Of lymytours / and othere booly feres
That sechen / every lond / and every streem
As thikke / as motes / in the combe beem
Fleshyng halles / chauntries / bichenes houses
Towers / castles / castels / hye domes
Shayres / serres / shayres / shayres



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Thursday, February 26, 6:00pm
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THE PRINCESS BRIDE

MEDIEVAL STUDIES
Movie Night

Thursday,
January 22, 6:00pm
Neff 101
Pizza and stuff!

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Join Sigma Tau Delta for:
| Dead Poets Society
Wednesday, Dec 10, 6 pm Neff 101

there will be pizza and stuff!
discussion to follow

*"Poetry, beauty, romance, love,
this is what we stay alive for."*

English and Medieval Studies Movie Night

DEAD POETS SOCIETY

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MARS 201: Medieval Encounters presents:

**MEDIEVAL STUDIES
Movie Night**

Thursday,
November 13, 6:00pm
Neff 101
Pizza and stuff!

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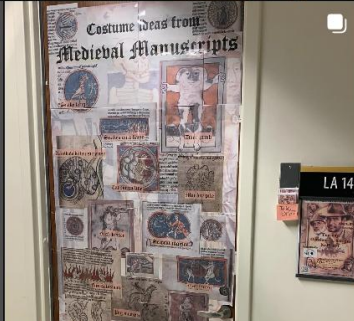
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SOAK THE SCHOLARS

TAKE A SPLASH! DUNK TANK BEGINS: WED. | SEPT. 24
DUNKING: 1:30 PM-4:30 PM | SCIENCE MALL

DUNK TIMES: 2:00-2:30 | 2:30-3:00
3:00-3:30 | 3:30-4:00

Surely, this counts as modern jousting.

THROW A BALL, DUNK THEM

MEET YOUR DUNK TANK WINNERS
★ DR. WOLF
★ DR. FLEMING
★ DR. ROBERTS
★ DR. ODDEN

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MARS 201: Medieval Encounters presents:

ROBIN HOOD

MEDIEVAL STUDIES
Movie Night

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DREAMWORKS
SHREK
MEDIEVAL STUDIES
Movie Night
Thursday
September 3, 6:00pm
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- **Old Stories**
- **Old Languages**
- **Old Books**

Old English c. 1000

Fæder ure

þu þe eart on heofonum

si þin nama gehalgod

tobecume þin rice

gewurþe þin willa on eorðan

swa swa on heofonum

urne gedæghwamlican hlaf syle us to dæg

and forgyf us ure gyltas

swa swa we forgyfað urum gyltendum

and ne gelæd þu us on costnunge

ac alys us of yfele.

WÆT FE LARDE

Na in gear dagum. þeod cýninga
 þrym se frumon huda æþelingsas elles
 fre medon. of seýld scepung sceape
 þreatum monegū mægþum meodo secla
 of teah ^{cur} esode eopl syddan ærest þe
 fea sceap funden he þæs þroffe seba
 þeox under polenum þeopd myndum þah
 oð þ him æghpyle þara ymb sitten dra
 ofe hron. þade hyran scolde zomban
 zyl dan þæs god cýning. ðam æftera þæs
 æfter cenned zong in gear dūm þone god
 sende folce to þroffe fýra ðearfe on

Scroll:

- Papyrus (plant matter)
- Fragile
- Lacks random access
- Written on one side



Manuscript/Book (codex):

- Parchment (animal skin)
- Writing on two sides
- Built-in protection
- VERY durable
- Random access

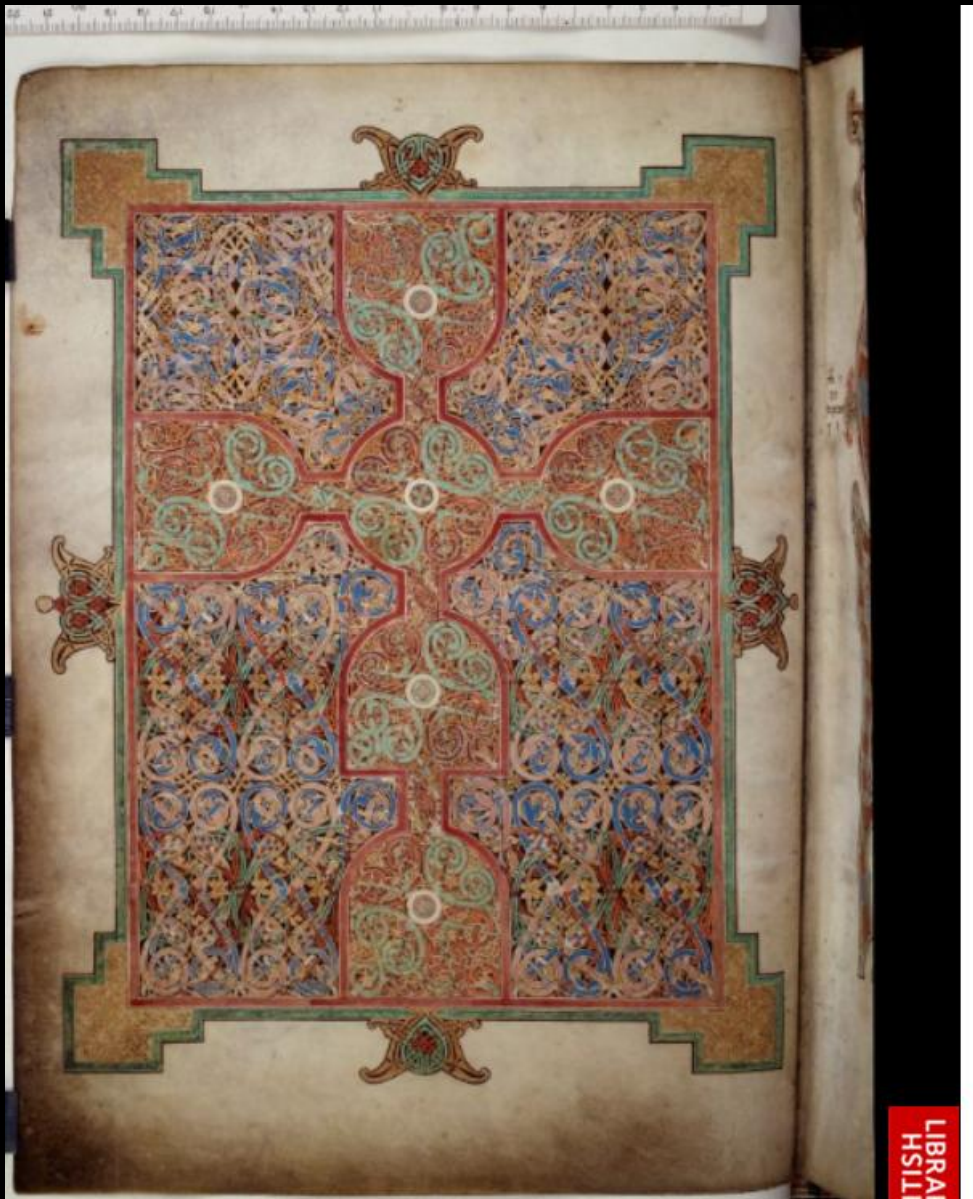


Other Texts in the *Beowulf*-Manuscript:

- A Life of St. Christopher
- *The Wonders of the East*
- *The Letter of Alexander to Aristotle*
- *Beowulf*
- *Judith*



Lindisfarne Gospels (c. 700 AD)





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Paleography old-writing

Paleography: Different "hands"

1. Rustic capital, Rome, early 6c.
A B D E G M N P R S

2. Uncial, Italy, 5c.
A B D E G M N P R S

3. New Roman cursive, Italy, 4c.
a b d e g m n p r s

4. Half-uncial, Italy, early 6c.
a b d e g m n p r s

5. Precaroline (Luxeuil) minuscule, Late 7c.
a b d e g m n p r s

6. Insular minuscule, England, mid 8c.
a b d e g m n p r s

7. Insular half-uncial, England, 8c.
a b d e g m n p r s

8. Caroline minuscule, France, early 9c.
a b d e g m n p r s

9. Caroline minuscule, Italy, mid 12c.
a b d e g m n p r s

10. English Caroline minuscule, mid 11c.
a b d e g m n p r s

11. Protothotic minuscule, England, mid 12c.
a b d e g m n p r s

12. Gothic textura quadrata, France, early 14c.
a b d e g m n p r s

13. Gothic textura rotunda, France, early 14c.
a b d e g m n p r s

14. Gothic cursive anglicana, England, late 13c.
a b d e g m n p r s

15. Gothic cursive, France, early 15c.
a b d e g m n p r s

16. Lettera bononiensis, Bologna, 14c.
a b d e g m n p r s

17. Semigothic cursive, Italy, late 14c.
a b d e g m n p r s

18. Lettera hybrida, Low Countries, mid 15c.
a b d e g m n p r s

19. Lettera antiqua, Italy, mid 15c.
a b d e g m n p r s

20. Humanistic cursive, Italy, late 15c.
a b d e g m n p r s

odde on lande. Concha. feyll. NOMINA FI
Feia. pildeor. lupur. pulf. Leo. RARU.
Leo. Linx. gemenged hund. 7 pulf. On con
nir. anhyrne deor. þæt deor hæfð ðine horn.
buxandam tram egum. ſpa ſcraugne. 7 ſpa
ſcearnne. þæt ^{he} fýht widdone mycclan ylþ.
7 hine oþr gepundad. on ðaſie þambe oð
dead. he hatte eac. ſu noceron. 7 monoceron.
ſpifir. fiden pote pugel. leone gelic. onpaft
me. 7 earne gelic. on heafde. 7 on fiderum.
Seir ſpa micel þæt he gepýlt. horn. 7 menn.
Uulper. fox. Taxo. odde melur. bioc. equur.
horn. equa. myne. Arinur. odde arina. aru.
Camelur. olfeno. Onagen. pilde arpa. Mu
lur. mul. Elefar. ylþ. Urrur. bepa. Urra.
heo. Simia. apa. Lucruur. oten. fiber. be
for. feruncur. meand. myrcela. perle.
Talpa. pandepurpe. Cattur. odde munilegulus
odde municepp. catt. hýnicur. odde
epi nacur. il. Glur. rremur. Mur. odde
forer. mur. Uerur. pýrn. Lumbur.
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dead. he hatte eac. 7 innocenon. 7 monocenon.
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