Fall, 2007 **Syllabus** Barbarese Office: Armitage 481 Phone: 609-225-6556 Office Hours: by appt.

# Required Texts:

1. François-Marie Arouet de Voltaire, Candide, Second Edition, Translated and edited by Robert M. Adams, 0-393-96058-7 (1990).

- 2. Rousseau, Jean Jacques, *Rousseau's Political Writings*, Alan Ritter and Julia Conaway Bondanella (Eds.), 0-393-95651-2 (1987).
- 3. Marx, Karl, and Friedrich Engels, *The Communist Manifesto*, Frederic L. Bender (Ed.), 0-393-95616-4 (1988)
- 4. *Darwin*, Third Edition, Philip Appleman (Ed.), 0-393-95849-3 (2001)
- 5. Washington, Booker T., *Up From Slavery*, William L. Andrews (Ed.), 0-393-96725-5 (1995)
- 6. Du Bois, W. E. B., The Souls of Black Folk, Henry Louis Gates, Jr. and Terri Hume Oliver (Eds.), 0-393-97393-X (1999)
- 7. H.G. Wells, The Time Machine
- 8. Aldous Huxley, Brave New World
- 9. Ellison, *Invisible Man*

You will be required to produce one short, 5-8 page paper (25%) and a written, 2-3 page classroom presentation (10%), copies of which will be made available to the class. There will also be a cumulative final examination (50%) and occasional quizzes (15%). I reserve the right to adjust, augment or supplement these expectations depending on our progress over the course of the semester.

#### The major assignments:

Paper 1: 5-8 pages (25%)

Paper 2: Presentation (2-3) pages, copies for class distribution. (10%)

Quizzes: Occasional (15%)

Final Exam 50%

Assignments. All written assignments done at home must be keyboarded and given to me in electronic and hard copy. Send your essays as attachments, preferably in Microsoft Word, to barbares@camden.rutgers.edu. Name your essay according to the following format:

# [YourLastName].doc

- Quizzes. Expect a quiz—usually on the reading and possibly incorporating additional material, such as terminology—about once each week. There are no make-up quizzes.
- Examinations. Both mid-term and final will include some objective questions. The final essay may be designed as an in-class writing assignment and assessed as part of the total final examination grade, so stay tuned.
- Lateness. Unexcused late work may be returned unread and may be subject to a penalized for each day of lateness.

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• <u>Attendance</u> is expected at all sessions. Three or more absences will undoubtedly affect your grade in the course. Come prepared to participate.

- <u>Academic Honesty</u>. The university guidelines and procedures governing plagiarism and academic dishonesty will be strictly observed. Plagiarism is theft and will result in an F for the course.
- <u>Listerv and Website.</u> Occasionally I will communicate with the entire class by email, often attaching work to be read for class, exercises and assignments, or announcements. The RUC's listserv address for our course is as follows:

### backgrounds@camden.rutgers.edu

Do not send anything to this address unless instructed by me.

- <u>Formatting</u>. Your written work (the first paper and your presentation) must be keyboarded and formatted according to the model attached to the back of this syllabus. Do not add a cover page of any kind, substitute boldfacing for italics or underlining, or justify the right margin. Under no circumstances present work that does not have your name on it.
- We also have a course website, which you can access through my webpage at <a href="http://crab.rutgers.edu/~barbares/">http://crab.rutgers.edu/~barbares/</a>. Follow the link to the <a href="Intellectual Backgrounds">Intellectual Backgrounds</a> or go to <a href="http://crab.rutgers.edu/~barbares/Lits%20in%20English%20II/Backgrounds\_index.html">http://crab.rutgers.edu/~barbares/Lits%20in%20English%20II/Backgrounds\_index.html</a>
- Within the next few weeks I will circulate a list of topics and directions for the two essays; these instructions will also be posted on the website.

Though the syllabus reflects as accurately as possible the course expectations and projected assignments, those expectations and assignments may be amended, extended or modified; so keep your syllabus handy.

For	Class Session/Date	Topic	Reading Assignment
1.	Wednesday, 5 September	Introductions	Handouts
		Politics and Culture	
2.	Week of 10 September	Rousseau and Romanticism	Rousseau's Political Writings, t.b.a. Malthus, excerpt from "An Essay on the Principle of Population" (webpost)
3.	Week of 17 September	Rousseau and Romanticism	Voltaire, Candide Burke, Reflections on the Revolution in France (webpost)
4.	Week of 24 September	Marx and Communism	The Communist Manifesto
5.	Week of 1 October	Marx and the 20 <sup>th</sup> Century	Brave New World, Huxley

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	Science				
6. Week of 8 October	Darwin and Evolution	Darwin, pages t.b.a.			
7. Week of 15 October	The American Reaction	Agassiz, from Louis Agassiz: A Life in Science (webpost) No class Friday, 2 March			
8. Week of 22 October	The Continuing Reaction	Herbert Spencer and Social Darwinism (Webpost) H.G. Wells, The Time Machine			
9. Week of 29 October	Darwin today  Webposts	Lawrence, <i>Inherit the Wind</i> Chapman, "God or Gorilla" Gopnik, "Rewriting Nature" Kitzmiller vs. the Dover School Board			
	Philosophy and Psychology				
10. Week of 5 November	Nietzsche	Beyond Good and Evil (excerpts)			
11. Week of 12 November	Nietzsche and Freud	Excerpts (Webposts)			
*** Thurs Nov 22- Sun Nov 25 Fall Break ***					
	Race in America:				
12. Week of 26 November	Washington and Dubois	Up From Slavery The Souls of Black Folk			
13. Week of 3 December	Ralph Ellison	Invisible Man			
14. Monday, 10 December	Conclusions				
Monday 17 December, 9:00	a.m. to noon	Final Examination			

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How to set up your pages when doing literary analyses.

No Separate

Title Pages:

Place your information here.

Title: Note:
your title should
contain no
italics or
quotation
marks.

<u>Text</u>: no fancy fonts; no boldfacing or obnoxious or unusual special effects.

Where possible, avoid ending a paragraph at the end of a page.

Your name Street Address City, State, Zip Telephone number Email address

## Thoughts on Mind and on Style

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The difference between the mathematical and the intuitive mind. In the one, the principles are palpable, but removed from ordinary use; so that for want of habit it is difficult to turn one's mind in that direction: but if one turns it thither ever so little, one sees the principles fully, and one must have a quite inaccurate mind who reasons wrongly from principles so plain that it is almost impossible they should escape notice.

But in the intuitive mind the principles are found in common use and are before the eyes of everybody. One has only to look, and no effort is necessary; it is only a question of good eyesight, but it must be good, for the principles are so subtle and so numerous that it is almost impossible but that some escape notice. Now the omission of one principle leads to error; thus one must have very clear sight to see all the principles and, in the next place, an accurate mind not to draw false deductions from known principles.

All mathematicians would then be intuitive if they had clear sight, for they do not reason incorrectly from principles known to them; and intuitive minds would be mathematical if they could turn

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not intuitive is that they do not see what is before them, and that accustomed to the exact and plain principles of mathematics, and n reasoning till they have well inspected and arranged their princip they are lost in matters of intuition where the principles do not allow of such arrangement. They are scarcely seen; they are felt rather than seen; there is the greatest difficulty in making them by those who do not of themselves perceive them. These principles are so fine and so numerous that a very delicate and very clear sense is needed to perceive them, and to judge rightly and justly they are perceived, without for the most part being able to demonstrate them in order as in mathematics, because the principle are not known to us in the same way, and because it would be an endless matter to undertake it. We must see the matter at once, at glance, and not by a process of reasoning, at least to a certain degree. And thus it is rare that mathematicians are intuitive and men of intuition are mathematicians, because mathematicians wish t treat matters of intuition mathematically and make themselves ridiculous, wishing to begin with definitions and then with axioms which is not the way to proceed in this kind of reasoning. Not that the mind does not do so, but it does it tacitly, naturally, and

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MARK	EXAMPLE	Meaning
#/\#	# # infact, ofcourse alot, eventhough	Divide the words or syllables where the mark ppears.
Ø	thier, seperate	The word is misspelled.
	I believe in Love.	Lower the case.
6	Although, he is tall	Pull the punctuation mark.
>	He returned back nome.	Delete the word.
<u>1</u> <u>1</u>	double^talk, well^groomed	Insert a hyphen.
m or n	and, ^ if you can believe it^, he	Insert dashes (each is two
		hyphens wide).
Tr	to boldly go where no man  It is a universally acknowledge.	Transpose elements.
_	<u>i</u> hate quiche.	Upper-case the underlined letter.
¶	Tom's most well, now, and got his bullet around his neck	Make a new paragraph here.
<i></i>	During the whole of a dull ^dark^ and soundless day	Insert punctuation.
n.s., logic		Non Sequitur: logic is off
W.W., W.C.	ion	Wrong word, word choice,
N.S.W., dict	The film was good, however, the Grin	No such word, diction
CS	version was far better.	Comma splice
Frag	Although, it was a good movie and I	

### **Things to remember:**

- 1. No title pages in essays. No covers.
- 2. Avoid using "vs." or "versus" in titles (e.g., "Cinderella vs. Snow White")
- 3. Avoid **boldfacing**.
- 4. Always double-space printer output.
- 5. Use a colon to introduce lists, quotations or citations.
- 6. *Italics* for titles of novels, long poems, plays. Quotations for short titles.
- 7. Paginate your work.

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