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Summer 1 Intensive: June 8-23; M-TH 1-5:00 pm

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English 6330: Early Modern Paleography, Manuscripts, and the Archives

This compressed 2 week + 2 days-long course is designed to provide an intensive introduction to handwriting in early modern England, with a particular emphasis on the English secretary, italic, and mixed hand of the 16th- and 17th-centuries. The first part of the course will concentrate on learning the alphabets, common abbreviations, and numbers and learning transcription conventions. Then we will work with manuscripts in the Welcome Library and the Folger Shakespeare Library collections. We will be using both Textual Communities database, which is housed at the University of Saskatchewan, and the Folger’s new transcription software program Dromio to transcribe receipt books (that is cookbooks and recipe books with both culinary and medicinal recipes). The class will be part of the EMROC (Early Modern Recipe Online Collective) to transcribe and make early modern receipt books available to the public through open access software. This class is also one of the first classes to liaise with the Folger library to contribute to Early Modern Manuscripts Online or EMMO. The skills learned in this class will enable students to work in both real and virtual early modern archives.

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| Date | Class Activities and Readings | Assignments  |
| M. 6/8 | Alphabets: Italic and SecretaryAbbreviationsMeasurements: *Materials and Expertise in Early Modern Europe: Between Market and Laboratory*, Ursula Klein and E. C. SparyMoney http://faculty.goucher.edu/eng240/early\_english\_currency.htmApothecary symbols http://www.textcreationpartnership.org/docs/dox/medical.htmlSemi-diplomatic conventions |  |
| T. 6/9 | **Quiz: alphabets, abbreviations, measurements, and symbols**Beginning transcriptions exercisesCambridge Handwriting Site: <https://www.english.cam.ac.uk/ceres/ehoc/>Reading Early Modern Recipes |  |
| W 6/10 | **Quiz: transcriptions**Cambridge Handwriting Site exercisesXML and Textual Community ConventionsWellcome Library | Critical Response paper: 300 words |
| Th 6/11 | **Short test: alphabets, abbreviations, measurements, and symbols; transcriptions**Manuscript technology: Ink, Pen, and Paper<https://www.english.cam.ac.uk/ceres/ehoc/intro/inkrecipes.html>We will have a hands-on handwriting workshop (You might want to wear old clothes or an apron) |  |
| M. 6/15 | Transcriptions: Wellcome and Folger LibrariesTextual Communities and Dromio | Critical Response paper: 300 words |
| T. 6/16 | **Quiz: Transcriptions**Transcriptions: Textual Communities and Dromio |  |
| W. 6/17 | **Quiz: Transcriptions**Transcriptions: Textual Communities and Dromio | Critical Response paper: 300 words |
| Th 6/18 | **Weekly test: Transcriptions**TranscriptionsReview for Exam |  |
| M. 6/22 | TranscriptionsReview for Exam | Critical Response paper: 300 words |
| T. 6/23 | Final Exam | Final Exam |

This syllabus is subject to change by the instructor.

**Evaluation:**

**Transcriptions: 30%**

**Critical Response papers: 10%**

**Quizzes and Short tests: 30%**

**Final Exam: 30%**

**Attendance Policy:** Regular attendance is required. Because this course is intensive you should not miss any class. You cannot pass this class if you miss 2 or more classes.

**Drop Policy:** Please see university drop policy and deadlines.

**Americans with Disabilities Act:** The University of Texas at Arlington is on record as being committed to both the spirit and letter of federal equal opportunity legislation; reference Public Law 92-112 - The Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as amended. With the passage of federal legislation entitled *Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)*, pursuant to section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, there is renewed focus on providing this population with the same opportunities enjoyed by all citizens.

As a faculty member, I am required by law to provide "reasonable accommodations" to students with disabilities, so as not to discriminate on the basis of that disability. Student responsibility primarily rests with informing faculty of their need for accommodation and in providing authorized documentation through designated administrative channels.  Information regarding specific diagnostic criteria and policies for obtaining academic accommodations can be found at www.uta.edu/disability.   Also, you may visit the Office for Students with Disabilities in room 102 of University Hall or call them at (817) 272-3364.

**Academic Integrity:** It is the philosophy of The University of Texas at Arlington that academic dishonesty is a completely unacceptable mode of conduct and will not be tolerated in any form. All persons involved in academic dishonesty will be disciplined in accordance with University regulations and procedures. Discipline may include  suspension or expulsion from the University.

 "Scholastic dishonesty includes but is not limited to cheating, plagiarism, collusion, and the submission for credit of any work or materials that are attributable in whole or in part to another person, taking an examination for another person, any act designed to give unfair advantage to a student or the attempt to commit such acts." (Regents’ Rules and Regulations, Series 50101, Section 2.2)

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**Electronic Communication Policy:**The University of Texas at Arlington has adopted the University “MavMail” address as the sole official means of communication with students.  MavMail is used to remind students of important deadlines, advertise events and activities, and permit the University to conduct official transactions exclusively by electronic means. For example, important information concerning registration, financial aid, payment of bills, and graduation are now sent to students through the MavMail system.

All students are assigned a MavMail account. Students are responsible for checking their MavMail regularly. Information about activating and using MavMail is available at http://www.uta.edu/oit/email/.

There is no additional charge to students for using this account, and it remains active even after they graduate from UT Arlington.

**Grade Grievance Policy**:  Grade grievances will be handled according to the policies of the College of Liberal Arts, which are available in the office of the Dean of Liberal Arts.