

Writing 4880G (Winter 2019)
Writing Fantasy
UC 4401
Tuesdays 12:30-3:30

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Course description and objectives

Character wants a good job, plenty of excitement, quest, possible assistance from mentors and companions. By working through language creation, motifs, and structure, this course will help you create and plan a full-length creative project of fantastic literature.

Required texts

Liuzza, R.M., trans. *Beowulf* (with facing page OE), 2nd edition. Peterborough: Broadview, 2013.
Tolkien, J.R.R. *The Hobbit or There and Back Again*. London: HarperCollins, 2006.

Course Requirements and Grade Allocations

Preliminary tale construction (ungraded; due January 8)

In the first class, students will complete a small-scale version of the course task as a whole, giving a sense of the arc of the project.

Language creation (15%; due January 29)

outlined in class (maximum 1000 words).

Critical Reading (10%; due February 12)

Course Policies

Assignment Format

All assignments are to be typed and double-spaced, and must have your name, course name, section number, and instructor. Do not use a cover page; these are particularly unnecessary for online submissions. When using sources, you will be expected to follow MLA, APA, or Chicago citation practice.

Submitting Assignments

Assignments are due on the dates specified in the syllabus. Late work

Students seeking academic accommodation **on medical grounds** for any missed tests, exams, participation components and/or assignments **worth less than 10% of their final grade** must also apply to the Academic Counselling office of their home Faculty and provide documentation. Where in these circumstances the accommodation is being sought on **non-medical grounds**, students should consult in the first instance with their instructor, who may elect to make a decision on the request directly, or refer the student to the Academic Counselling office of their home Faculty.

Students should also note that individual instructors are not permitted to receive medical documentation directly from a student, whether in support of an application for accommodation on medical grounds, or for other reasons (e.g. to explain an absence from class which may result in a grade penalty under an y in the course). **All** medical documentation **must** be submitted to the Academic

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<http://www.uwo.ca/uwocom/mentalhealth/>