

English 264

Online

Survey of English Literature:
Romantics to Moderns

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Getting Started in English 264 Online

Welcome to this course in Mercer's summer online program. I am happy to have you as part of my class. Follow the steps on this page to get under way.

Login to the Blackboard site for our course to see what resources and tools are available. (Since you are reading these instructions, you should already be this far.)

Click the link to go to the ENG264 Online web site. Most of your interactions with the course will be here, rather than on Blackboard. You can also go to the web site directly at http://faculty.mercer.edu/glance_jc/English_264_Online/

Read the introductory remarks on the Home page, and then explore the Assignments and Resources pages. You can download the syllabus from the site; note the course procedures and reading assignments on the syllabus.

Download and listen to the first Podcast, which will help to orient you to the course. You can find it on the course web site by clicking on the Podcasts link. If you already have iTunes, you can subscribe to the course podcast through the iTunes Store, or at the following URL: <http://phobos.apple.com/WebObjects/MZStore.wa/wa/viewPodcast?id=254763450>.

Go to www.blogger.com and set up your account so you can create a blog for the course. In your blog you will discuss the readings; you will also read and comment on your classmates' blogs. For your first entry I would like you to introduce yourself to the class: who are you, why are you taking this online course, and what your expectations and anxieties are for the class. Please visit my blog at the following URL: <http://eng264online2008.blogspot.com/>

Email me your blog address, at Glance_JC@Mercer.edu, so I can add it to the list of links for the course and also so I can have your email address.

If you have not already done so, get the textbook for our course: *The Longman Anthology of British Literature*, Volume B, 2nd Compact Edition (ISBN 0321202392). This textbook is available at the Mercer bookstore, or online (among other places, at Amazon.com). Begin the first reading assignment.

Come to the first online chat session and introduce yourself. Now you are part of the class!