UC Davis Summer Abroad 2022 Oxford: Portal to Fantasy

DRAFT – SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Texts – use paper copies, any edition

Lewis Carroll, Alice's Adventures in Wonderland

Kenneth Grahame. The Wind in the Willows

J.R.R. Tolkien, The Fellowship of the Ring

C. S. Lewis, The Voyage of the Dawn Treader

J.K. Rowling, Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban

Diane Wynne Jones, Howl's Moving Castle

Philip Pullman, The Golden Compass (called Northern Lights in the UK)

Weekly Overview

This is an early version of our schedule. The academic requirements will not change, but some class, meal and excursion dates may shift, and some additional excursions will likely be added.

Schedule | Week One - The River Whimsy

Saturday June 25 Arriving Day

Sunday June 26 SEP Orientation 2-5 (attendance is mandatory)

Monday June 27 Class—Carroll; Start of Term Feast

Tuesday June 28 Excursion: Literary Walking Tour / The Bodleian Wednesday June 29 Class – Grahame; Groups Formed for Projects

Thursday June 30 Class (Midterm One); Excursion: Sunset River Cruise

Friday-Sunday July 1, 2, 3 Unscheduled (Saturday is Alice's Day, a city-wide festival)

Week Two – Narnia and the Shire

Monday July 4 Class--Tolkien / Journals 1 and 2 Due
Tuesday July 5 Excursion: The Rollright Stones; Blenheim

Wednesday July 6 Class—Lewis; guest lecturer

Thursday July 7^[1] Class (Midterm One); Group work on projects

Friday- Sunday July 8, 9, 10 Unscheduled

Week Three - The School for Wizards

Monday July 11 Class—Jones / Journals 3 and 4 Due

Tuesday July 12 Class—Rowling

Wednesday July 13 Class (Midterms Two); Group work on projects

Thursday July 14 TBD

Friday - Sunday July 15, 16, 17 Unscheduled

Week Four – In Which Things Get Serious

Monday July 18 Class—Pullman / Journals 5 and 6 Due

Tuesday July 19 Prep for final exam; High Tea

Wednesday July 20 Final exam / Group work on Projects

Thursday July 21 [1] Group presentations / Journal 7 Due; End of Term Feast

Friday July 22 Excursion: Punting and Picnic

Saturday July 23 Leaving Day