

**Graduate Written Exam
Reading List for Fall 2006**

Graduate Students in English: If you will complete 24 semester hours by the end of Summer 2006, you must take the written graduate exam during the Fall 2006 semester. The reading list for that exam follows. Please contact Dr. T.A. Dalrymple for more information.

Nonfiction

Thomas Paine, *Common Sense*

Toni Morrison, *Playing in the Dark: Whiteness and the Literary Imagination*

René Girard, "The Sacrificial Crisis"

Fiction

Voltaire, *Candide*

Ralph Ellison, *Invisible Man*

Joan Didion, *Play It as It Lays*

Poetry

Walt Whitman, "Song of Myself"

William Blake, *Songs of Innocence and Experience*

Marianne Moore, "The Steeple-Jack"; "The Jerboa"; "Marriage"; "An Octopus";
"Silence"; "The Mind is an Enchanting Thing" (All selections should be from
Complete Poems, 1981)

Drama

Luigi Pirandello, *Six Characters in Search of an Author*

Christopher Marlowe, *Faustus* (Both A and B texts)

Suzan-Lori Parks, *Topdog/Underdog*