

DUNGEONS DRAGONS & DWARFS



Germanic Myth in Popular Culture

SPRING 2022
TUES & THURS 3:30-4:45PM
GET 4250 | DR. MARGIT GRIEB

This course explores historical, literary and visual (re)constructions & adaptations of Germanic Mythology and history from antiquity to the present.

We will study historical accounts and epic tales (like Tacitus' "*Germania*," the "*Nibelungenlied*," the "*Prose Edda*," "*Beowulf*") chronicling various Germanic tribal cultures and traditions.

We will also analyze recent films and tv shows that have adapted and re-interpreted these traditions & accounts for a contemporary audience, including- *Beowulf*, *Lord of the Rings*, *The Dragon King*, *Game of Thrones*, *The Vikings* & *Barbarians*.

Additionally, we'll discuss computer games and graphic novels that adapt Germanic themes!

