



## Shakespeare Seminar: Politics, Power, Tyranny

What makes a good or bad leader? What turns a leader into a tyrant? How does power corrupt? When does ambition become a vice? What role do women play in these struggles for power? Explore these issues in five of Shakespeare's plays: *MacBeth*, *King Lear*, *Richard III*, *Julius Caesar*, and *Coriolanus*. In the course of this senior seminar, we will look at different theoretical approaches to these plays and students will take responsibility for leading some of the class discussion as well pursuing a research project related to one of the texts studied.



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