

SPAN 540 Colloquium in Hispanic Studies: *Don Quijote*

TR 1:00-2:15

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Miguel de Cervantes' 1605 and 1615 novel *El ingenioso hidalgo don Quijote de la Mancha* is one of the most influential works of literature ever written. Not only does it regularly appear on lists of the best novels ever written, but it has had a major impact on world culture. We will read *el Quijote* in its entirety (in an edition prepared with US students in mind). We also will analyze a number of the literary and filmic texts that rework the plot of *Don Quijote*.

Evaluation will be based on active participation in class discussions, a midterm and final exam, one short paper, and a final project, which will include a presentation. Students will have the option to focus the final project on Cervantes' work or on an adaptation of Cervantes' novel.