

## Embedding site-specific video lectures in teaching for EN2001 and EN3021: Middle English Poetry



**Dr Alastair Bennett** from the **Department of English** created a series of site-specific videos relating to his course on Middle English Poetry. Alastair filmed in locations that would allow students to visualise the world of late medieval England, where the poems on the course were written and read. These included at the tomb of the poet John Gower in Southwark Cathedral and at the site of the Tabard Inn where Chaucer's pilgrims set off for Canterbury.

The videos were used for flipped learning, achieved significant engagement, and made the locations and archival materials accessible to students who might not otherwise be able to visit them. Filming at heritage sites, and in museums and archives, not only enhances students' understandings of the texts on the course, but also works to break down some of the perceived barriers for working class and BAME students.