GRBK 2400 (31824):
Great Books of the Middle Ages and the Renaissance

Theme for Spring 2010: Self-discovery and Inquiry

Have you ever written to learn more about yourself? Interested in self-exploration, autobiography, first-person narratives? What are the implications of writing about oneself?

In this class, we will read some of the most influential books of self-discovery by Saint Augustine, Boethius, Dante, Petrarch, Pizan, Erasmus, and Montaigne. We will consider these “bestsellers” in the context of Medieval and Renaissance culture, history and philosophy, but we will also explore their “modernity”. We will see how they position the self in its relation to others, God, and tradition(s).

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Tuesday & Thursday 12:30-1:45
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