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Dr. Peter Elbow, a faculty member in literature at The Evergreen State College, has recently published his second book <u>Oppositions in Chaucer</u> through Wesleyan University Press in Middletown, Connecticut.

Dr. Elbow, who says the books is the result of nine years work, launched the project as part of his doctoral dissertation while he was a student at Brandeis University.

The new volume, now available in Evergreen's Bookstore, is described by Chaucer scholar Talbot Donaldsen of Indiana University as "spare and lucid and intelligently argued...a modest but important addition to Chaucer studies." Donaldsen adds that "Finally, in its consideration of the meaning and use of irony, the book is more: a rare and winning application of literature to life in the humanistic tradition.

"The writing," Donaldsen reviews, "is clear, graceful and easy despite the subtlety of the underlying concept. An important book."

Dr. Elbow published his first book <u>Writing Without Teachers</u> through Oxford University Press in 1973.

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