

## Master Syllabus

### ENG 2259 - Novel Writing

**Division:** Liberal Arts, Communication and Social Sciences

**Department:** English

**Credit Hour Total:** 3.0

**Lecture Hrs:** 3.0

**Prerequisite(s):** DEV 0035

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### Course Description:

Novel writing covers advanced study of traditional novel elements in a workshop setting, including the mechanics of manuscript submission.

### General Education Outcomes:

- ▣ Written Communication Competency
- ▣ Critical Thinking/Problem Solving Competency
- ▣ Computer Literacy Competency
- ▣ Information Literacy Competency
- ▣ Values/Citizenship/Community Competency
- ▣ Oral Communication Competency

### Course Outcomes:

#### Writing Techniques

Learn techniques of plotting, sub-plotting, and pacing.

**Assessment Method:** Performance appraisals

**Performance Criteria:**

Grade of 70% or higher according to English Dept. Grading Standards for Essays

**Assessment Method:** Portfolios

**Performance Criteria:**

Grade of 70% or higher

#### Understanding Publishing Concepts

Learn the role of agents, editors, and publishers in marketing novels.

**Assessment Method:** Performance appraisals

**Performance Criteria:**

Grade of 70% or higher based on English Dept. Grading Standards for Essays

**Assessment Method:** Portfolios

**Performance Criteria:**

Grade of 70% or higher

#### Identify Genre

Choose a genre in which to write a novel.

**Assessment Method:** Performance appraisals

**Performance Criteria:**

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**Assessment Method:** Portfolios

**Performance Criteria:**

Grade of 70% or higher

#### Collaborate

Collaborate in small groups and a workshop setting.

**Assessment Method:** Performance appraisals

**Performance Criteria:**

Grade of 70% or higher

#### Understanding Conventions

Demonstrate understanding of manuscript and query letter mechanics.

**Assessment Method:** Performance appraisals

**Performance Criteria:**

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**Assessment Method:** Portfolios

**Performance Criteria:**

Grade of 70% or higher

**Composing and Revising**

Write and revise novel chapters.

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**Performance Criteria:**

Grade of 70% or higher based on the English Dept. Grading Standards for Essays

**Assessment Method:** Portfolios

**Performance Criteria:**

Grade of 70% or higher

**Outline:**

Creating a novel drafting outline

Creating character bios

Creating setting descriptions

Writing three novel chapters drafts for group and instructor feedback

Creating a final novel proposal (cover letter, short synopsis, three revised and polished chapters)