Sinclair Community College
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Master Syllabus

LIT 2220 - Introduction to Literature

Division: Liberal Arts, Communication and Social Sciences

Department: Literature

Credit Hour Total: 3.0 **Lecture Hrs:** 3.0

Prerequisite(s): ENG 1101

Date Revised: February 2012

Course Description:

Introduction to Literature introduces students to the major literary genres of literature, including narrative fiction, poetry, and drama. Emphasis is placed on literary terminology and interpretation. Upon completion, students should be able to analyze and respond to literature. Students will effectively and ethically argue their interpretations of literary works using textual evidence and Modern Language Association (MLA) documentation.

General Education Outcomes:

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

Course Outcomes:

Write supported arguments
Argue effectively to support an interpretation using appropriate textual evidence and source documentation in written assignments.

Assessment Method: Performance appraisals
Performance Criteria:

Grade of 70% or higher based on the English Department's Grading Standards for Essays and assignment criteria

Effective oral communication
Effectively present ideas in whole class and small group discussions.

Assessment Method: Performance appraisals
Performance Criteria:

Grade of 70% or higher based on assignment guidelines

Read and analyze literature critically
Apply literary terms and interpretive techniques to critically analyze literature on multiple meaning levels.

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams
Performance Criteria:

Grade of 70% or higher

Assessment Method: Performance appraisals
Performance Criteria:

Grade of 70% or higher based on the English Department's Grading Standards for Essays

Outline:

Critically read and provide literary analysis of select textsArticulate multi-layered responses and personal interpretation of literary textsParticipate in whole class and small group discussionDemonstrate understanding and application of literary termsWrite a paper(s) that interprets a short story, poem, and/or play, presenting ideas about the work in a carefully reasoned and well-supported argument.