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Master Syllabus

LIT 2230 - Great Books of the Western World

Division: Liberal Arts, Communication and Social Sciences

Department: Literature

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

Prerequisite(s): ENG 1201

Date Revised: June 2014

Course Description:

A chronological survey of the major literary works of periods of Western culture beginning with the Greeks and progressing through the Middle Ages, the Renaissance, Neo-Classicism and Enlightenment, Romanticism, Realism and Modernism.

General Education Outcomes:

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

Course Outcomes:

Major Literary Genres
Recognize major literary genres as they have developed in the course of Western literary history and read samples of various genres.

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

Literary Themes
Recognize major literary themes and myths of the Western Tradition and their influence on Western culture, historically and today.

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

Eras of Western Civilization
Identify different eras of Western Civilization and the ways literature of the periods both influences and is influenced by those eras.

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

Great Writers and Their Books
Identify great writers and books in the Western tradition and examine why some works are considered classics.

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:

The purpose of literature in Western cultureGreek and Roman culture and literatureMedieval life and literatureShakespeareThe RenaissanceRomaticismRomantic poetryRealismLiterature of the Modern Era