

School of Arts & Science ENGLISH DEPARTMENT ENGL 262

Women's Literature Fall, 2013

COURSE OUTLINE

The course description is online @ http://camosun.ca/learn/calendar/current/web/engl.html

Ω Please note: the College electronically stores this outline for five (5) years only. It is strongly recommended you keep a copy of this outline with your academic records. You will need this outline for any future application/s for transfer credit/s to other colleges/universities.

1. Instructor Information

Instructor:	Thea Todd		
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2. Intended Learning Outcomes

(No changes are to be made to these Intended Learning Outcomes as approved by the Education Council of Camosun College.)

When reading works written by such important authors as Woolf, Chopin, Rich, Atwood, and A. Walker, as well as works by many lesser known authors, the student will consider meaning, make and support inferences, and evaluate the works. Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:

- Evaluate works from a variety of genres (including poetry, short fiction, essay and novel) to determine the relevance of the conventions of that genre.
- 2. Analyze works from different periods of history to determine the effect of social context on women's writing.
- 3. Identify the various nationalities, ethnicities, socio-economic groups and sexual orientations from which women write in order to determine personal influences on a work.

When discussing literature, the student will develop and communicate responses and interpretations using a variety of critical methods and resources. Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:

- 1. Identify the relevance of the authors' socio-historical context to their works.
- 2. Discuss themes in order to determine and account for dominant or recurring ideas.
- 3. Describe works according to the concepts provided by feminist theorists.
- 4. Compare and contrast works and authors according to style, theme and use of literary devices.

When writing about literature, the student will be expected to explain, support, and illustrate their interpretations of the works in essays and a final exam. Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:

- 1. Support claims with relevant textual evidence.
- 2. Document sources using current MLA conventions.

3. Required Materials

Text: The Norton Anthology of Literature by Women: the Tradition in English, third edition. 2 volumes, along with Feminist Literary Theory and Criticism: a Norton Reader. These are available at the Camosun Bookstore.

4. Course Content and Schedule

Class: Tuesdays, 6-8:50

Location: F210

5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

Late assignments may lose marks at the rate of 5% per day. If there are circumstances that will hinder you from completing an assignment on time, please speak with me as soon as you can.

Students who fail to complete any out-of-class assignments by the final class date, or who fail to achieve at least D on the final examination, will fail the course. It is up to you to make sure that all of your assignments are handed in.

Out-of-class assignments are to be **typed and double-spaced**. Assignments that are not double-spaced will be handed back ungraded. Leave 2.5 cm. (1 inch) margins on all sides. Indent the first line of each paragraph (use Tab); do not leave additional spaces between paragraphs. Please don't forget to put your full name on your paper.

There will be written guidelines for each major assignment. (For due dates, see Class Schedule.)

I suggest that you keep all of your writing assignments, along with drafts. I may ask to see previous work.

(a) <u>Term Work</u>: One essay (25%); participation on one panel (20%) (There is a written component for the panel.)

Mid-term Test: to the end of the Romantics (1832) (15%)

Written responses throughout the term (15%) (See schedule for due dates.)

(b) Exam: A final exam will be set during the exam period. (25%)

NB: The course is not over until the end of the exam period (Dec. 9-14, 16 & 17). I will let you know the date of the exam as soon as I can.

6. Grading System

(No changes are to be made to this section unless the Approved Course Description has been forwarded through the Education Council of Camosun College for approval.)

Standard Grading System (GPA)

Percentage	Grade	Description	Grade Point Equivalency
90-100	A+		9
85-89	Α		8
80-84	A-		7
77-79	B+		6
73-76	В		5
70-72	B-		4
65-69	C+		3
60-64	С		2
50-59	D	Minimum level of achievement for which credit is granted; a course with a "D" grade cannot be used as a prerequisite.	1
0-49	F	Minimum level has not been achieved.	0

Temporary Grades

Temporary grades are assigned for specific circumstances and will convert to a final grade according to the grading scheme being used in the course. See Grading Policy E-1.5 at **camosun.ca** for information on conversion to final grades, and for additional information on student record and transcript notations.

Temporary Grade	Description
1	Incomplete: A temporary grade assigned when the requirements of a course have not yet been completed due to hardship or extenuating circumstances, such as illness or death in the family.
IP	In progress: A temporary grade assigned for courses that, due to design may require a further enrollment in the same course. No more than two IP grades will be assigned for the same course. (For these courses a final grade will be assigned to either the 3 rd course attempt or at the point of course completion.)
cw	Compulsory Withdrawal: A temporary grade assigned by a Dean when an instructor, after documenting the prescriptive strategies applied and consulting with peers, deems that a student is unsafe to self or others and must be removed from the lab, practicum, worksite, or field placement.

7. Recommended Materials or Services to Assist Students to Succeed Throughout the Course

LEARNING SUPPORT AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

There are a variety of services available for students to assist them throughout their learning. This information is available in the College calendar, at Student Services, or the College web site at camosun.ca.

STUDENT CONDUCT POLICY

There is a Student Conduct Policy **which includes plagiarism**. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of this policy. The policy is available in each School Administration Office, at Student Services, and the College web site in the Policy Section.