

School of Arts & Science ENGLISH DEPARTMENT ENGL 290

Special Topics in Literature 1

Quarter or Semester/Year

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

(a)	Instructor:	English 290		
(b)	Office Hours:	Monday to Thursday 1:30-2:20		
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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 literature, students will be encouraged to make connections and evaluate works that clearly represent an overview of the topic under discussion. Works will normally represent a variety of genres such as short stories, poetry, drama and the novel. In cases where the topic focuses on one genre, works will represent varied aspects of that genre and/or illustrate the development of a particular author or literary movement(s). Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:

- 1. Analyze literature or other media such as film for elements such as theme, structure and rhetorical devices according to established critical criteria.
- Evaluate works for component elements that clearly represent a literary movement, author, medium or style.

When discussing literature, students will be encouraged to develop their own interpretations of the works using a variety of critical methods and resources. Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:

- Identify the socio-historical context of the works and relate the works to others as part of a literary continuum.
- 2. Identify and account for recurring themes in the spectrum of works evaluated in the course.
- 3. Compare and contrast the stylistic elements of various works by one or more authors within the context of the topic discussed.
- 4. Where applicable, evaluate the importance of literary theory in both the creation and interpretation of texts.

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

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

3. Required Materials

(a) Texts
Dr Faustus Christopher Marlowe
The Tempest William Shakespeare
Frankenstein Mary Shelley
Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde Robert Louis Stevenson
Brave New World Aldous Huxley

(b) Other

4. Course Content and Schedule

(This section can include: class hours, lab hours, out of class requirements and/or dates for quizzes, exams, lectures, labs, seminars, practicums, etc.)

Week One: Chapters 1 to 3, Genesis, Ulysses by Tennyson, Dr. Faustus by Christopher Marlowe

Week Two: The Tempest by William Shakespeare

Week Three: Frankenstein by Mary Shelley

Week Four: The Birth mark and Rappaccini's Daughter by Nathaniel Hawthorne; The Yellow Wallpaper by

Charlotte Perkins Gilman; Chapters 1 ans @ of A Study In Scarlet by Athur Cona Doyle. Week Five: The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde by Robert Louis Stevenson

Week Six: Brave New World by Aldous Huxley

Week Seven: Course Wrap-up

5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

(This section should be directly linked to the Intended Learning Outcomes.)

(a) Assignments In-class essay 750-1000 word essay: 20% Out-of-class 1500 word essay 25%

(b) Quizzes In-class tests 15%

(c) Exams Final Exam: 20%

(d) Other (e.g., Attendance, Project, Group Work)

In-class oral report 10% In-class debate 10%

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	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	
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	
I	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.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AS APPROPRIATE OR AS REQUIRED