

School of Arts & Science ENGLISH DEPARTMENT ENGL 161-001 Literary Genres Spring 2016

COURSE OUTLINE

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

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:	Sarah French		
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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.)

Upon completion of this course:

- 1. Reading and Writing
 - Analyze literature in English written in genres of poetry, short fiction, novel, and drama from different historical periods;
 - · Analyze literature in English by authors from various cultural backgrounds;
 - Identify different literary forms and genres;
 - Acquire a working vocabulary of literary critical terminology;
 - Recognize literary forms, and make linkages between forms and content;
 - Make, support and evaluate inferences about the function of specific literary elements;
 - Develop formal/informal, critical, reflective and personal responses to texts;
 - Use literary and analytical terms correctly, e.g, metaphor, irony, character, setting, and plot;
 - Compare and contrast themes and issues;
 - Develop appropriate interpretive skills where non-print kinds of texts are studies (film, visual, audio, digital, multi-media).
 - Demonstrate the difference between paraphrase and analysis.
 - Develop and argue, in an academic essay format, a coherent reading of a literary text.
 - Select and integrate primary textual evidence that effectively supports an essay's argument;
 - Integrate secondary sources where applicable;
 - Use a scholarly essay form, including a thesis; topic sentences; argument and/or analysis; use of quotations; unified, coherent paragraphs and transitions; rhetorical strategies appropriate for purpose and audience; effective introductions and conclusions;
 - Use a critical approach with appropriate language and terminology;
 - Produce writing under exam or exam-like conditions;
 - Write clear, concise, effective prose, and know how to identify, as well as correct common mechanical and grammatical errors.
 - 2. Information Literacy Skills:
 - Determine the nature and extent of the information needed.
 - Know and use what information resources available, in different formats.

- Use print and electronic resources effectively and efficiently.
- Evaluate sources for authority, relevance, reliability, currency and other criteria.
- Incorporate and integrate research through correct use of summary, paraphrase and quotation.
- Document sources fully and ethically, according to specified bibliographic conventions.

3. Discussion/Reflection:

- Discuss and analyze literature in class;
- Identify a variety of literary approaches and/or theories that can be taken towards a text;
- Articulate one's position in a critical debate of ideas.
- Engage respectfully with different interpretations.
- Reflect on one's own writing for continuous improvement.

3. Required Materials

1. Literature: Reading, Reacting, Writing by Kirszner, Mandell and Fertile (available in the bookstore)

40%

2. On Writing: A Memoir of the Craft by Stephen King (available in the bookstore)

4. Course Content and Schedule

Please refer to our class schedule (separate handout in class or e-mail for a digital copy)

5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

Your final grade will be calculated from the following areas:

1. Homework and classroom participation

2.	Assignments		40%
	 Author exposé (4%) Essay based on short story unit (12%) Lyric/poetry project (12%) In-class presentation (4%) Written component (8%) Essay based on the drama unit (12%) 		
3.	In-class mid-term quiz		4%
4.	In-class final quiz		4%
5.	In-class final essay based on novel unit		12%
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		Total	100%

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
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

My responsibilities are to have prepared relevant and meaningful content that fulfills Camosun College's learning outcomes for this course, be available to answer your questions or offer further guidance, and provide detailed and timely feedback that justifies your scores and allows you to grow as an effective communicator.

Your responsibilities are to be on time and in full attendance for all classes, be prepared to participate in learning activities, meet due dates, and be aware of and adhere to Camosun College's policies and procedures (i.e. computer usage, copyright, plagiarism policies).

Your presence and preparation are required to succeed in this this course:

 Assigned homework is always due at the start of the next class. You will not get credit for homework due in the class that you missed unless you have a signed medical excuse or have talked with me ahead of time about an absence. It is your responsibility to catch up on any missed work.

- Related, if you leave after the break, then you will not get credit for the second half of class.
- Unexcused late assignments (not homework, but typed and submitted assignments) will be accepted but at a 20% penalty per day (not class).

Be sure to ask for help when needed. I have office hours, and I'm more than happy to meet outside of those via Skype/FaceTime or respond to questions over e-mail.