#### **ENGL 2 Course Outline as of Fall 2017**

## **CATALOG INFORMATION**

Dept and Nbr: ENGL 2 Title: INTRO TO THE NOVEL

Full Title: Introduction to the Novel

Last Reviewed: 3/13/2023

Units		Course Hours per Week	•	Nbr of Weeks	<b>Course Hours Total</b>	
Maximum	3.00	Lecture Scheduled	3.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	52.50
Minimum	3.00	Lab Scheduled	0	6	Lab Scheduled	0
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	3.00		Contact Total	52.50
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 105.00 Total Student Learning Hours: 157.50

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade or P/NP

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly:

### **Catalog Description:**

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### **Prerequisites/Corequisites:**

Completion of ENGL 1A or higher (V8)

### **Recommended Preparation:**

#### **Limits on Enrollment:**

### **Schedule of Classes Information:**

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Recommended:

Limits on Enrollment:

Transfer Credit: CSU;UC.

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# **ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:**

AS Degree: Area Effective: Inactive:

E Humanities Fall 1981

**CSU GE:** Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

C2 Humanities Fall 1981

**IGETC:** Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

3B Humanities Fall 1981

**CSU Transfer:** Transferable Effective: Fall 1981 Inactive:

**UC Transfer:** Transferable Effective: Fall 1981 Inactive:

CID:

## **Certificate/Major Applicable:**

Major Applicable Course

## **COURSE CONTENT**

### **Student Learning Outcomes:**

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Describe the principles of literary analysis related to the study of the novel.
- 2. Apply principles of literary analysis to novels.
- 3. Write critical analysis and response papers about novels.

# **Objectives:**

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

- 1. Read, analyze, and interpret novels that represent the history, diversity, and evolution of the novel as a literary and cultural form.
- 2. Identify and apply several methods for reading and interpreting novels.
- 3. Distinguish the literary and cultural inheritance drawn from the works studied and from the novel as a genre.
- 4. Recognize and critique the narrative elements that allow for interpretation and evaluation of any novel.
- 5. Interpret the connection between an individual novel and the particular time and place from which it arises.
- 6. Use secondary and critical material in the study of literary texts.

### **Topics and Scope:**

- I. Precursors to the novel
  - A. The oral tradition
  - B. Narrative and epic poetry
  - C. Short fiction
- II. The early novel
- III. The rise of the novel
  - A. The eighteenth century

- B. The early nineteenth century
- IV. The victorian novel and the flowering of the novel as genre
  - A. The rise of the middle class and the novel as a cultural medium
  - B. Changing mores and manners
- V. The modern novel
  - A. The novel in the age of film
  - B. The novel in the age of technology
  - C. The novel in world culture
  - D. The novel as a means for social/political change
- VI. The elements of fiction
  - A. Plot vs. story
    - 1. Exposition
    - 2. Description
    - 3. Narration
    - 4. Action
    - 5. Conflict
  - B. Characters
    - 1. Round or dynamic
    - 2. Flat or static
    - 3. Protagonist vs. antagonist
  - C. Point of view
    - 1. First person
    - 2. Third person omnipotent
    - 3. Third person limited
    - 4. Experimental second person
  - D. Style
    - 1. Realism, psychological realism, magical realism
    - 2. Other uses of the novel as form
  - E. Diction
  - F. Symbolism
  - G. Theme
- VII. Schools of criticism
- A. Reader-response
- B. Marxist
- C. Feminist
- D. New historicist
- E. Psychoanalytical
- F. Queer theory
- G. Gender studies
- H. Post-colonial
- I. Ecocriticism
- VIII. Literary research
  - A. Secondary sources
  - B. MLA documentation

### **Assignment:**

# Assignments may include:

- 1. Detailed summaries
- 2. Reading response journal
- 3. One to two short critical response papers (500-1,000 words)
- 4. One paper including extensive library research with complete and correct MLA

- documentation (1500 to 2000 words)
- 5. Two to four short library research assignments
- 6. One to two personal response papers in reaction to readings, videos, lectures, novels, and literary criticism
- 7. One group or individual presentation about particular works, authors, schools of criticism, time periods, or literary styles
- 8. Readings of varying lengths, including novels and literary criticism (50 to 100 pages per week)
- 9. Viewing videos outside the classroom setting
- 10. Essay examination
- 11. Objective examination and quizzes
- 12. Participation in class discussions

#### **Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:**

**Writing:** Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Summaries; Reading Journals; Analysis/Response Essays; Research/Analysis Essay; Research Exercises

Writing 60 - 80%

**Problem Solving:** Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

None

Problem solving 0 - 0%

**Skill Demonstrations:** All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

None

Skill Demonstrations 0 - 0%

**Exams:** All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Objective examinations and quizzes; essay exams

Exams 5 - 15%

**Other:** Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

Participation in class discussion; individual or group presentation

Other Category 10 - 25%

## **Representative Textbooks and Materials:**

The Theory of the Novel. McKeon, Michael. Johns Hopkins: 2000 (classic)

The Novel: History, Geography, Culture, Vol. 1. Moretti, Franco. Princeton: 2007 (classic)

The Novel: Forms and Themes, Vol. 2. Moretti, Franco. Princeton: 2007 (classic)

Emma. Austen, Jane. Bedford/St.Martin's: 2001 (classic)

Jane Eyre. Bronte, Charlotte. W. W. Norton: 2016

Waiting for the Barbarians. Coetzee, J.M. Penguin: 2010 (classic)

Maggie: A Girl of the Streets. Crane, Stephen. Penguin: 2000 (classic)

Madame Bovary. Flaubert, Gustave. Dover: 1996 (classic)

The Portrait of a Lady. James, Henry. Oxford: 2009 (classic)

Mrs. Dalloway. Woolf, Virginia. Harvest: 1990 (classic)

White Noise. DeLillo, Don. Penguin Classics: 2009 (classic)

Beloved. Morrison, Toni. Vintage: 2004 (classic)

The Things They Carried. O'Brien, Tim. Mariner Books: 2009 (classic)

Things Fall Apart. Achebe, Chinua. Anchor: 1994 (classic)

Kindred. Butler, Octavia E. Beacon: 2014

The House on Mango Street. Cisneros, Sandra. Vintage: 1991 (classic)

A Gesture Life. Lee, Chang-rae. Riverhead Books: 2000 (classic)

Instructor prepared materials