

ORIGINAL COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE: January 2000
REVISED COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE: September 2020

COURSE TO BE REVIEWED (six years after UEC approval): Course outline form version: 05/18/2018

February 2026

OFFICIAL UNDERGRADUATE COURSE OUTLINE FORM

Note: The University reserves the right to amend course outlines as needed without notice.

Course Code and Number: ENGL 170		Number of Credits: 3 Course credit policy (105)					
Course Full Title: Topics in Literature							
Course Short Title: Topics in Literature			-1	#	landa ana will ba asainna d		
(Transcripts only display 30 characters. Departments may recommend a short title if one is needed. If left blank, one will be assigned.)							
Faculty: Faculty of Humanities		Department (or program if no department): English					
Calendar Description:							
Students will study literature and related te	xts and media, i	in the context o	f a theme	e, issue, or topic that will v	vary with the instructor.		
Note: This course will be offered under different letter designations (e.g. C-Z) representing different topics. This course may be repeated for credit provided the letter designation differs.							
Prerequisites (or NONE):	One of the following: (English Studies 12, English First Peoples 12, English 12, or English Literature 12 with a final grade of B or better), (CMNS 099 or ENGL 099 with a grade of C or better), (ENGL 081 or ENGL 091 with a grade of C+ or better), ESL WG84 with a grade of C+ or better, (university-level English or Communications course with a C- or better), CPT score of 48 or better, LPI minimum score of 30/40 or level 5 in the essay section, or (TOEFL [Test of English as a Foreign Language] score of 570 or better [or 230 if computer-based score] plus a minimum TWE [Essay] score of 4.0 or TOEFL IBT score of 88, with no section below 20).						
Corequisites (if applicable, or NONE):							
Former course code/number:			Special Topics (Double-click on boxes to select.) This course is offered with different topics: □ No ☑ Yes (If yes, topic will be recorded when offered.)				
Dual-listed with:							
Equivalent course(s):			Independent Study If offered as an Independent Study course, this course may				
(If offered in the previous five years, antirequisite course(s) will be			be repeated for further credit: (If yes, topic will be recorded.)				
included in the calendar description as a note that students with credit for the antirequisite course(s) cannot take this course for further credit.)			☐ No ☒ Yes, repeat(s) ☐ Yes, no limit				
Transfer Credit							
Typical Structure of Instructional Hours			Transfer credit already exists: (See bctransferguide.ca.)				
Lecture/seminar hours 20			□ No ☑ Yes Submit outline for (re)articulation:				
Tutorials/workshops 25							
Supervised laboratory hours			∐ No	Yes (If yes, fill in tran	sfer credit form.)		
Experiential (field experience, practicum, internship, etc.)		1		g System			
Supervised online activities			⊠ Lette	er Grades	Credit		
Other contact hours:		Maximum enrolment (for information only): 36					
Total hours 45 Expected Frequency of Course Offerings:					e Offerings:		
Labs to be scheduled independent of lecture hours: \square No \square Yes Every Semester (Every semester, Fall only, annually, etc.)							
Department / Program Head or Director: Melissa Walter				Date approved:	September 2019		
Faculty Council approval			Date approved:	October 11, 2019			
Dean/Associate VP: Jacqueline Nolte			Date approved:	October 11, 2019			
Campus-Wide Consultation (CWC)				Date of posting:	March 20, 2020		
Undergraduate Education Committee (UEC) approval			Date of meeting:	April 24, 2020			
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Learning Outcomes:

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

- Identify and use techniques of argument and analysis.
- Summarize and paraphrase the argument of a given text or speaker.
- Recognize relevant cultural constructions.
- Explain various perspectives on the course theme or topic expressed in the selected texts.
- Interpret the effects of elements or aspects of the text, such as tone, figurative language, diction, structure, genre, in relation to the course topic or theme.
- Contextualize course texts in relation to the theme, topic, or issue of the course.
- Synthesize perspectives from more than one discipline.
- Make arguments about the significance of course texts in the context of the theme, topic, or issue of the course.
- Demonstrate competence in scholarly conventions of syntax, grammar, punctuation, and spelling, including the integration of quotations.

Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR)

Typical Instructional Methods (Guest lecturers, presentations, online instruction, field trips, etc.; may vary at department's discretion.) Classes will consist of lectures and seminars, plus some selection or combination of video screenings, audio recordings, slide shows, or field trips.

NOTE: The following sections may vary by instructor. Please see course syllabus available from the instructor.

Тур	Typical Text(s) and Resource Materials (If more space is required, download Supplemental Texts and Resource Materials form.)						
	Author (surname, initials)	Title (article, book, journal, etc.)	Current ed.	Publisher	Year		
1.	Highway, Tomson	The Rez Sisters		Fifth House	1988		
2.	Moses, Daviel David and Terry Goldie, eds.	An Anthology of Canadian Native Literature in English	\boxtimes	Oxford UP	2005		
3.	Taylor, Drew Hayden	The Baby Blues	\boxtimes	Talon Books	1999		
4.	Francis, Daniel	The Imaginary Indian: The Image of the Indian in Canadian Culture. 2 nd ed.	\boxtimes	Arsenal	2011		

Typical Evaluation Methods and Weighting

Final exam:	15%	Assignments:	55%	Midterm exam:	20%	Portfolio:	%
Quizzes/tests:	10%	Lab work:	%	Shop work:	%	Total:	100%

Details (if necessary): Assignments include a Journal and Final Essay

Typical Course Content and Topics

Example for ENGL 170D, Indigenous Canadian Writing

Week 1: What does Canadian Literature mean to you? What does Indigenous Literature Mean to you?

Marilyn Dumont- This Land is Not (handout)

Jeanette Armstrong, "History lesson" (Moses & Goldie, p. 228)

Basil Johnson- "The Prophecy" (M & G, p. 90)

Weeks 2-3: Imaginary Indian; Representation of Indigenous Peoples in Canada; Awareness of Residential Schools Armstrong essay (M & G, p. 242)

Imaginary Indian, Forward and Introduction (pp. 11-44)

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Indian Act and Amendments

Film: Savage

Art viewing: Monkman

Week 4: Tomson Highway and Canadian Theatre

The Rez Sisters

Week 5: Orature

Basil Johnson—"On Generation From Extinction" (M & G, 90)

Share family story

Week 6: Survival // the West, the Frontier

Harry Robinson, "Captive in an English Circus" (M & G, p. 58)

E. Pauline Johnson, "The Cattle Thief" (M & G, p. 35)

Martin Martin, "We, the Inuit, Are Changing) (M & G, p. 51)

The Imaginary Indian, p. 61-86, "Red Coats and Red Skins"

Week 7: Stereotypes

The Imaginary Indian pp. 144-172, "Indians of Childhood"

Week 8: Contemporary Canadian Theatre and comedy / Comedy, hybridity, and stereotypes

Drew Hayden Taylor, The Baby Blues

D. H. Taylor, "Pretty Like a White Boy" (M & G p. 504)

Week 9: Feminism and Indigenous Women / Class issues and Colourism

Beth Cuthand, "Post-Oka Kinda Woman" (M & G p. 255)

Jeanette Armstrong, "Indian Woman" (M & G p. 231)

Marie Annharte Bake, "Raced Out to Write this Up" (M & G p. 180)

Week 10: Adoption and Foster Care

Beatrice Mosionier, "From April Raintree" (M & G p. 281)

Richard Wagamese, "From Keeper n' Me"

Weeks 11-13: Contemporary Youth Voices

Hip Hop—Christie Lee Charles, Jerlyn Webster, Rapture Rising

Jordan Wheeler, performance and poetic voice

"wanna be" & Occupied Territory

Emma Lee Warrior, "Compatriots" (M & G p. 170)

Harold Cardinal, "A Canadian What the Hell It's All About" (M & G p. 205)

The art of Lawrence Paul

The Imaginary Indian, "Celebrity Indians and Plastic Shamans" pp. 109-144

The Imaginary Indian, "Marketing the Imaginary Indian," pp. 172-190

The Imaginary Indian, pp. 193-224

Example for ENGL 170C, Understanding Comics

Week 1: What are Comics?

McCloud, Understanding Comics, Ch. 1

Misc. comics, online.

Week 2: The Golden Age and the Comics Code

Saladin Ahmed, "How Censors Killed the Weird, Experimental, Progressive Golden Age of Comics" (online)

Week 3: Images, Icons and the Vocabulary of Comicx

Archie: Vol 1.

Understanding Comics, Ch. 2

Week 4: Superheroies and Marvel Zombies

Ms. Marvel Vol. 1: No Normal

Jonathan Lethem, "My Marvel Years" (online)

Week 5: The Superhero, Revised & The Comics Page

Watchmen, Chps. 1-4

Understanding Comics, Ch. 3

Week 6: Villains & Time and Frame

Watchmen, Chs. 7-9

Understanding Comics, Ch. 4

Week 7: American Splendour, Underground Comics

Film Excerpt, American Splendour

Understanding Comics, Ch. 5

Weeks 8-9: Autobiography and Comics

Bechdel, Fun Home

Understanding Comics, Ch 6

Weeks 10-11: The Comics Audience; Coming of Age

Tamaki and Tamaki, This One Summer

Understanding Comics, Chs. 7-8

Weeks 12-13: Contemporary Comics and Web Comics

Best American Comics 2015

Hark a Vagrant, Hyperbole and a Half (online)