

COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE: COURSE REVISED IMPLEMENTATION DATE: COURSE TO BE REVIEWED: (Four years after UPAC final approval date) September 2007

November 2010 (MONTH YEAR)

# **OFFICIAL COURSE OUTLINE INFORMATION**

Students are advised to keep course outlines in personal files for future use. Shaded headings are subject to change at the discretion of the department and the material will vary - see course syllabus available from instructor

FACULTY/DEPARTMENT: ENGLISH 311 COURSE NAME/NUMBER

FORMER COURSE NUMBER Novel Writing COURSE DESCRIPTIVE TITLE 3 UCFV CREDITS

# CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:

This course further explores fiction writing, specifically the creative elements and techniques necessary to the popular genre of the novel. Excerpts of novels by skilled authors will be analyzed as models. Authors working in this genre will be invited to speak in the class. As a writing-intensive course, students will experiment with novel writing elements to produce their own writing samples, which will then be critiqued by the instructor and classmates in the workshop.

PREREQUISITES: COREQUISITES:	Any two 200	-level English courses. C	One of ENGL 2	11, 212, 213, c	or 215 recomme	ended.	
SYNONYMOUS COURSE(S) (a) Replaces:				SERVICE COURSE TO:			
(b) Cannot take:	(Course #)	for furth	er credit.	(Department/Pi	rogram)		
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TOTAL HOURS PER STRUCTURE OF HO Lectures:			F COURSE:	NSTRUCTION			
Seminar: Laboratory: Field Experience: Student Directed Lea Other (Specify):	arning:	Hrs Hrs Hrs Hrs Hrs					
MAXIMUM ENROLLMENT: 25   EXPECTED FREQUENCY OF COURSE OFFERINGS: Once every two years   WILL TRANSFER CREDIT BE REQUESTED? (lower-level courses only) I Yes No   WILL TRANSFER CREDIT BE REQUESTED? (upper-level requested by department) I Yes No   TRANSFER CREDIT EXISTS IN BCCAT TRANSFER GUIDE: I Yes No						□ No □ No	
AUTHORIZATION SIGNATURES:							
Course Designer(s):			Chairperson:				
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UPAC Approval in Principle Date:			UPAC Final A	pproval Date:	Nov. 24, 2006		

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#### LEARNING OBJECTIVES / GOALS / OUTCOMES / LEARNING OUTCOMES:

1. To further develop students' fiction writing skills,

- 2. To foster an understanding of the creative process from the perspective of the writer,
- 3. To apply novel writing techniques to individual writing projects,
- 4. To encourage peer critiquing,
- 5. To develop critical reading and analytical skills.

### **METHODS**:

Lecture/seminar/workshop/exercises/writing assignments.

### PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT RECOGNITION (PLAR):

Credit can be awarded for this course through PLAR (Please check:) Xes

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## METHODS OF OBTAINING PLAR:

Portfolio assessment

### TEXTBOOKS, REFERENCES, MATERIALS:

[Textbook selection varies by instructor. An example of texts for this course might be:]

Sample texts might include Jack Hodgins' A Passion for Narrative, as well as a selection of novel samples, such as Michael Ondaatje's "The English Patient", Michael Dunningham's "The Hours", Ann-Marie MacDonald's "Fall on Your Knees" and Roddy Doyle's "A Star Called Henry".

## SUPPLIES / MATERIALS:

## **STUDENT EVALUATION:**

[An example of student evaluation for this course might be:]

Portfolio of 3-5 novel chapter samples	70%
Writing exercises & assignments	20%
Workshop discussion	10%

#### **COURSE CONTENT:**

[Course content varies by instructor. An example of course content might be:]

A course syllabus might be structured as follows: Week 1: The Novel: Form & Function Week 2: Inspiration: Determining the Story Weeks 3 - 4: Narrative: Ebb & Flow Weeks 5 - 6: Point of View: Whose Story Is It? Weeks 7 - 8: Authenticity: Language & Character Weeks 9 - 10: The Arc: Plot, Motivation & Obstacles Weeks 11 - 12: The Scope of the Story: Necessary Details Week 13: Revision: What Remains?