

COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE: COURSE REVISED IMPLEMENTATION DATE: COURSE TO BE REVIEWED: (Four years after UPAC final approval date) May 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 315 COURSE NAME/NUMBER

FORMER COURSE NUMBER Writing Children's Literature COURSE DESCRIPTIVE TITLE

3 UCFV CREDITS

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:

A writing/seminar course detailing the elements specific to the genre of Children's Literature. Samples of popular Children's Literature will be used as models. As a writing-intensive course, students will learn techniques to produce successful children's literature in several genres. Writing produced in the class will be critiqued in a workshop setting. Special emphasis will be placed on learning the skill of constructive critical analysis of new writing.

PREREQUISITES:	Any two 200-level English courses. One of ENGL 211, 212, 213, or 215 recommended.
COREQUISITES:	

SYNONYMOUS CC (a) Replaces: (b) Cannot take:	OURSE(S) (Course #) (Course #)		for further credit.	SERVICE COURSE TO: (Department/Program) (Department/Program)
TOTAL HOURS PER TERM:45STRUCTURE OF HOURS:Lectures:20Lectures:25HrsSeminar:25HrsLaboratory:HrsField Experience:HrsStudent Directed Learning:HrsOther (Specify):Hrs			TRAINING DAY-BASED LENGTH OF COURSE: HOURS PER DAY:	
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AUTHORIZATION SIGNATURES:						
Course Designer(s):		Chairperson:				
	John Carroll		(Curriculum Committee)			
Department Head:		Dean:				
	Jim Andersen		Eric Davis			
UPAC Approval in Principle Date:		UPAC Final Approval Date:	Nov. 24, 2006			

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LEARNING OBJECTIVES / GOALS / OUTCOMES / LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- 1. To further develop students' writing skills,
- 2. To foster an understanding of the creative process applied to Children's Literature,
- 3. To apply genre-specific writing techniques to individual writing projects,
- 4. To develop peer critiquing skills,
- 5. To develop critical reading and analytical skills,
- 6. To develop a personal artist's statement,
- 7. To become familiar with various critical approaches to children's literature.

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 a coursepack of writing models in various genres, such as selections from Maurice Sendak, Francis Hodgson Burnett, Lucy Maud Montgomery, Robert Munsch, CS Lewis, Enid Blyton, William Steig, Kit Pearson, Wilson Rawls, J.D. Salinger.

SUPPLIES / MATERIALS:

STUDENT EVALUATION:

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

Portfolio of writing samples covering several genres (35-50 pages approx.)	60%
Writing exercises & assignments	
Workshop discussion	

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 Tradition: Seeing From a Child's Perspective

- Week 2: Fundamentals. The Arc of the Narrative. Theme. Obstacle. Crisis.
- Week 3: Genre: The Picture Book. Image Before Word.
- Week 4: The Artist Statement. Writing for a Specific Audience.
- Week 5: Genre: The Chapter Book. Narrative Voice. Person and Point of View.
- Week 6: The Draft. The Art of Constructive Critiquing.
- Week 7: Genre: Young Adult Literature. The Hero. Adult vs. Adolescent
- Week 8: Analysis of Models. Holden and Harry. Alice and Anne.
- Week 9: Genre: Fairy Tales and Folk Tales. The Package. Entertainment or Issue?
- Week 10: Workshopping. More Art of Constructive Critiquing.
- Week 11: Genre: Fantasy Fiction.
- Week 12: Critical Perspectives. Social Engineering vs. Captain Underpants.
- Week 13: Inquiries. Agents. Publishers. Journals.