

COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE: COURSE REVISED IMPLEMENTATION DATE: COURSE TO BE REVIEWED: (Four years after UPAC Final Approval Date)

Faculty of Arts & Applied Arts - English

January 1996 September 2006 December 2009 (MONTH YEAR)

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# **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: ENGL 366

COURSE NAME/NUMBER

# FORMER COURSE NUMBER Studies in Critical Approaches to Literature COURSE DESCRIPTIVE TITLE

# CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:

This course surveys seminal texts in post-war and contemporary literary theory. Areas of concentration may include poststructuralism, feminism, cultural studies, new historicism, reader response theory, psychoanalytic criticism, or Marxism. In addition, students will be asked to apply one or two of these critical approaches to a sampling of literary works. Areas of concentration and course content will vary with the instructor.

NOTE: Beginning September 2007 any two English courses 300 or higher.

PREREQUISITES: Any two English courses numbered 200 or higher.

COREQUISITES: none

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SYNONYMOUS COL (a) Replaces:	. ,		_	SERVICE COURSE T	
(b) Cannot take:	(Course #)		for further credit.	(Department/Program)	
TOTAL HOURS PER STRUCTURE OF HC Lectures: Seminar: Laboratory: Field Experience: Student Directed Lea Other (Specify):	2 TERM: DURS: 30 30	L	TRAINING DAY-BASED LENGTH OF COURSE: HOURS PER DAY:	, ,	
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					
AUTHORIZATION SIG	NATURES:				

Course Designer(s):		Chairperson:		
	Miriam Nichols		Raymond W	lelch (Curriculum Committee)
Department Head:		Dean:		
	Jim Andersen			Eric Davis
UPAC Approval in Principle Date:		UPAC Final App	oroval Date:	December 14, 2005

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

- 1. To introduce students to two or three contemporary theoretical approaches to the reading and interpretation of literature.
- 2. To apply the critical strategies discussed to a variety of literary works.

#### METHODS:

- 1. Lectures pertaining to key texts in literary theory.
- 2. Seminar discussions concerning the application and critique of the selected critical texts.

# PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT RECOGNITION (PLAR):

Credit can be awarded for this course through PLAR (Please check :)	🛛 Yes	🗌 No
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#### **METHODS OF OBTAINING PLAR:**

Course may be challenged. Alternate methods will be looked at on a case by case basis.

#### **TEXTBOOKS, REFERENCES, MATERIALS:**

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

David Lodge, Modern Criticism and Theory; Pearson, 2000 J. Hawthorn, A Concise Glossary of Contemporary Literary Theory, Oxford Press 1998

#### SUPPLIES / MATERIALS:

No special supplies needed.

#### **STUDENT EVALUATION:**

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

Two major essays	60%
Seminar presentation	20%
Final exam	<u>20%</u>
Total	100%

# **COURSE CONTENT:**

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

- Week 1 Introduction to structuralism; Ferdinand de Saussure, "The Objects of Study," "Nature of the Linguistic Sign"
- Week 2 Roman Jakobson, "Linguistics and Poetics," "The Metaphoric and Metonymic Poles"
- Week 3 Roland Barthes, "The Death of the Author," "Textual Analysis: Poe's 'Valdemar'"; selected stories and poems from Poe.
  Week 4 Introduction to poststructuralism; Jacques Derrida, "Structure, Sign and Play in the Discourse of the Human Sciences, "Différance"
- Week 5-6 Derrida, "The Double Session"; Steve McCaffery, The Black Debt
- Week 7 Introduction to feminist studies; Hélène Cixous, "Sorties"; Elaine Showalter, "Feminist Criticism in the Wilderness"; Teresa de Lauretis, "Upping the Anti [Sic] in Feminist Theory"
- Week 8-9 Nicole Brossard, selections from <u>The Aerial Letter</u>; <u>Mauve Desert</u>
- Week 10-11 Introduction to cultural studies; Edward Said, "Crisis [in orientalism]"; Gaytri Chakravorty Spivak, "Questions of Multiculturalism"; Sky Lee, <u>Disappearing Moon Cafe</u>
- Week 12-14 Michele Wallace, "Negative Images: Towards A Black Feminist Cultural Criticism"; Cornel West, "The New Cultural Politics of Difference": Toni Morrison, <u>Beloved</u>