

COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE: COURSE REVISED IMPLEMENTATION DATE: COURSE TO BE REVIEWED:

(Four years after implementation date)

[Fall 2003]

[Fall 2007]

# 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 |   |  |  |
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| English 376  COURSE NAME/NUMBER FORM  Rhete  | pplied Arts - English  MER COURSE NUMBER  Oric: An Historical Survey URSE DESCRIPTIVE TITLE   |  |  |
| discussion in this survey will point to the long-s   | nd roles of rhetoric through the centuries. Readings and standing connections among language, persuasion and rhetoric: Classical, Medieval, Renaissance, Enlightenmen |  |  |
| PREREQUISITES: Any two second year English co  | ourses  |  |  |
| SYNONYMOUS COURSE(S) (a) Replaces:   | SERVICE COURSE TO:  |  |  |
| (Course #)   | (Department/Program) or further credit.   |  |  |
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| TOTAL HOURS PER TERM:  STRUCTURE OF HOURS: Lectures: Seminar: Laboratory: Field Experience: Student Directed Learning: Interactive group/discussion  Hrs  Hrs  Hrs  Hrs  Hrs  Hrs  Hrs  Hr   |   |  |  |
| MAXIMUM ENROLLMENT: EXPECTED FREQUENCY OF COURSE OFFERING WILL TRANSFER CREDIT BE REQUESTED? (lowe WILL TRANSFER CREDIT BE REQUESTED? (upper TRANSFER CREDIT EXISTS IN BCCAT TRANSFER  | er-level courses only)  |  |  |
| AUTHORIZATION SIGNATURES:  |   |  |  |
| Course Designer(s):  | Chairperson:  |  |  |
| Rhonda Schuller  | (Curriculum Committee) Jim Andersen   |  |  |
| Department Head:  Jim Andersen   | Dean:   |  |  |
| PAC Approval in Principle Date:  | PAC Final Approval Date: November 27, 2002  |  |  |

☐ No

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

The course gives students an increased understanding and appreciation of the Western Intellectual tradition as it has been expressed in classical, medieval and modern rhetorical theory.

#### **METHODS:**

Lecture, discussion, student group work, student oral presentations, and an annotated bibliography. Classroom coverage of the assigned readings is lecture-discussion. The midterm exam is an in-class timed writing. Students in small groups will present summaries/questions covering readings not covered in class. An annotated bibliography will cover all works read throughout the semester. Annotations will include comments on the helpfulness, difficulty, and /or connections of ideas within the readings. The summaries are 3 page summaries covering either two works (if the works are longer) or two rhetoricians (if short excerpts are covered)two works from the list of readings for the course. The final paper for the course will cover the works or ideas of at least three rhetoricians. The final paper is roughly 2000 words in length and follows MLA format.

| PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT RECOGNITION (PLAR):      |       |
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| Credit can be awarded for this course through PLAR | ⊠ Yes |

#### METHODS OF OBTAINING PLAR:

Course may be challenged. Alternative 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:]

The Rhetorical Tradition, ed Patricia Bizzel and Bruce Herzberg. NY: St. Martin's Press, Inc. 1990.

Or *English 376 course pack* of selected readings.

#### **SUPPLIES / MATERIALS:**

Students will know theories of rhetoric and be able to think critically about how rhetorical theory reflects the discourse of a culture.

#### STUDENT EVALUATION:

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

Midterm 15%
Annotated bibliography 15%
Group presentation 10%
Two summaries 30%
Final paper 30%.

## **COURSE CONTENT:**

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

Introduction to a range of definitions and roles of rhetoric. Explanation of course readings, requirements.

## **Classical Rhetoric**

Plato: Gorgias Plato: Phaedrus Aristotle: Rhetoric

Isocrates: Against the Sophists

Cicero: De Oratore

Quintilian: Institutes of Oratory

**Medieval Rhetoric** 

Augustine: On Christian Doctrine

# **Renaissance Rhetoric**

Peter Ramus: Arguments in Rhetoric against Quintilian

Francis Bacon: The Advancement of Learning

## **Enlightenment Rhetoric**

George Campbell: The Philosophy of Rhetoric Hugh Blair: Lectures on Rhetoric and Belles Lettres

Richard Whately

The Rhetoric of Composition

Henry N. Day, Alexander Bain, David J. Hill, Adams Sherman Hill

# **Twentieth Century Rhetoric**

I.A. Richards: The Meaning of Meaning
I.A. Richards: The Philosophy of Rhetoric
Kenneth Burke: A Grammar of Motives
Kenneth Burke: A Rhetoric of Motives
Kenneth Burke: Language as Symbolic Action
Richard Weaver: Language Is Sermonic

Richard Weaver: The Phaedrus and the Nature of Rhetoric