

Course Description

LIT2090 | Contemporary Literature | 3.00 credits

A survey of contemporary prose and poetry. Prerequisites: ENC 1101, 1102 or equivalent.

Course Competencies:

Competency 1: The student will apply an understanding of selected literary works by:

- 1. Understanding specific literary elements and themes
- 2. Creating artifacts that respond to assigned tasks through a critical perspective

Competency 2: The student will **u**nderstand the historical, cultural, social, political, and aesthetic contexts in which the literature was written by:

- 1. Analyzing the role of factors such as gender, sexuality, race, ethnicity, class, science, and religion
- 2. Evaluating the foundations and emergence of contemporary literary trends and their transnational and/or global significance
- 3. Creating artifacts that support and include how literary works respond to and influence societies and cultures in a variety of ways, including ethically, politically, and historically

Competency 3: Understand course concepts by:

- 1. Creating work in a variety of formats, such as analytical essays, research assignments, and creative projects
- 2. Responding to ideas effectively in oral and written form using standard American English.

Learning Outcomes:

- Communicate effectively using listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills
- Solve problems using critical and creative thinking and scientific reasoning
- Formulate strategies to locate, evaluate, and apply information
- Demonstrate an appreciation for aesthetics and creative activities
- Demonstrate knowledge of ethical thinking and its application to issues in society
- Create strategies that can be used to fulfill personal, civic, and social responsibilities

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