ENGL 5350: Studies in Multi-ethnic Literature

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Credits: 3 (3-0-0)

Study of multicultural literature and theory. Can be team-taught from an interdisciplinary

perspective.

Prerequisites: 12 semester hours of advanced English.

Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

Repeat Status: Course may be repeated 2 time(s).

Course Description:

We will examine a broad spectrum of forms, including prose, poetry, journalism, memoir, film, visual art, critical articles, government documents, web resources, and performance.

Grade Breakdown: Grades will be calculated using the following scale.

90-100=A 80-89=B 70-79=C 60-69=D 59 or lower=F

Learning Objectives: At the end of the course, students will...

- Exhibit a broad and substantial knowledge of the literature and writers and comprehend key literary movements, themes, tropes, topics, arguments, and questions in the study of literature based on the theory and the perspectives of authors we read in the course.
- Demonstrate recognition of the literary, cultural, historical, political and theoretical contexts within which these works were produced.
- Gain confidence in oral and written expression using techniques of literary criticism and creative writing exercises as well as rhetorical tools.

Assessment:

- Professionalism (Attendance & Participation) 10%
- Personal Narrative 15%
- Seminar Lead/SWAPA 15%
- Proposal 15%
- Annotated Bibliography 15%
- Research Paper 15%
- Final Presentation 15%

Required Materials: Most of the required texts are available online. You may also purchase them from any book vendor or check them out from the library if you prefer hard copies.

Final Note: As your instructor, I am committed to helping you achieve the course and program outcomes. I encourage you to make use of my virtual office hours, to schedule appointments with me when needed, and to contact me via email with any questions or concerns you might have. I am here to help you succeed.

Schedule: Unless otherwise noted, assigned reading should be read in its entirety by the day that they will be discussed. Pace yourself accordingly. Additional readings will also be posted on Blackboard. Also, be aware that the syllabus and schedule are subject to revision at the instructor's discretion.

I look forward to the semester!