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English Literature II 2317  CRN 23456
M-W-F 11:00-11:50
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T-Th  9:00-11:40, 2:30-3:30  By appointment


The course is a survey of English Literature (including English language literature from
countries once part of the British Empire) from the Restoration through the Romantic period.
Students should gain factual knowledge and comprehension of the literature and its cultural and
historical context, improve their ability to analyze and synthesize that material, and enhance the
clarity and correctness of their writing.

Evaluation will be based upon 2 or 3—depending upon how the course develops—hour exams, 2
explications, and a comprehensive final exam. Tests will be primarily essay, with a short
"objective" section. There will be no multiple choice, true-false, or fill-in-the-blank questions.
Essays will be judged on factual knowledge and comprehension of the literature—its artistic
features and its meanings—, and the clarity and correctness of the writing. Reading quizzes may
be given at intervals, and class discussion is significant and will also be included in evaluation,
though to a much lesser degree than written work, particularly in cases where the grade on the
written work is marginal. For all these reasons, doing the necessary reading for each class is
absolutely required. Late work is not accepted.

The following assignments are approximate and tentative—very!

The Restoration and Eighteenth Century
 Dryden
 Behn—Oroonoko
 Congreve—The Way of the World
 Swift
 Addison and Steele
 Pope
 Johnson
 Boswell
 Goldsmith

The Romantic Period

Blake
Burns
Wordsworth
Class attendance is mandatory. Remember that being absent does not remove the responsibility of preparing work for the next class. More than 4 absences—which is two weeks in a T-Th class—is unacceptable and will necessitate a student dropping the course or being dropped for non-attendance. This isn’t a punitive requirement. That is simply too much time and work to be made up in a literature course, and the reasons for the absences do not matter.

Cell phones must be turned off and placed in a backpack or under the desk. Laptops are not allowed in class. Students are not to attend class without books.

Plagiarism will result in at least a failing grade on the work containing the plagiarism and possibly an F for the course or expulsion from the class. The 11th edition of the Harbrace College Handbook defines plagiarism as presenting as your own work, deliberately or accidentally, the words of ideas of another (424).

References to UCA policies may be found in the UCA student handbook.
   Sexual Harassment Policy–p. 93
   Academic Policies–beginning on p. 25

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