

Preliminary Web Course Description

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School of English and Theatre Studies

Course Code: THST 3170	Course Title: Special Topics	Date of Offering: Fall 2017
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Course Instructor: Pat Flood	Course Format: Lecture
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Brief Course Synopsis: This course is intended as an exploration of contemporary Canadian theatre in order to broaden your knowledge of plays, the ideas behind the plays and their historical context. The objective of the course is to improve your ability to think, discuss and write about theatre in order to expand your awareness and understanding of the complex nature of this discipline and create a framework for future study. This will enhance your ability to think originally and creatively as teachers and producers of theatre.

We are fortunate to live in a country that embraces a wide variety of cultural influences and identities. This multi-faceted nature of our country helps contribute to the uniqueness of our theatre. This course seeks to explore some of these perspectives in order to broaden our knowledge and understanding of Canadian theatre past and present.

As part of this course, we will be attending IMPACT 17, a multicultural theatre festival in Kitchener.

Methods of Evaluation and Weight:

Participation in IMPACT 17	20%
Midterm	30%
Final	30%
Group Presentation	20%

Note** This is a preliminary breakdown of assignments and weight. The final version of this will be handed out the first day of class.

Texts and/or Resources Required (e.g. Internet access, specific textbook title, lab kit, etc.)

The play scripts for this course can be purchased at both campus bookstores, found online through the library's ARES site or via the link posted on Courselink. Additional materials will be handed out in class or posted online

Other information that you wish share about the course (optional): **A course fee will be charged for tickets to plays**