School of English and Theatre Studies

Course Code: ENGL 1080-02
Course Title: Literatures in English 1: Reading the Past
Date of Offering: Fall 2017

Course Instructor: Paul Salmon
Course Format: Lecture

Brief Course Synopsis:

This course is focused on the disciplinary skill of close reading and is intended for students planning to specialize in the study of English Literature. Through a series of case studies, the course introduces students to a range of historical and national writings in prose, poetry, and drama, and to some of the key terms and concepts in contemporary literary studies. Lectures and discussions address selected works from the Renaissance onwards, the periods in which these works were produced, and some of the ways in which these texts have been or could be interpreted. ENGL*1080 and its companion course, ENGL*2080, are required for a major or minor in English. Students are encouraged to enroll in ENGL*2080 in the semester after they have completed ENGL*1080.

Methods of Evaluation and Weight:

Exercises (best 3 of 5) 15%
Close reading 1 10% (350-500 words)
Close reading 2 10% (350-500 words)
Midterm 15%
Essay intro 5% (125 words)
Essay 20% (900-1200 words)
Final exam 25%

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


Other information that you wish share about the course (optional):