English 2332 -- World Literature

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Office Hours:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
11:00 a.m. –	11:00 a.m. –	11:00 a.m. –	11:00 a.m. –	8:00 a.m. –
Noon	Noon	Noon	Noon	Noon

If you need to contact me outside of class, you should do so using your SPC email account. Instructions for accessing it, along with all the programs in the Office 365 suite, are in your syllabus. I will answer emails I receive within one business day (excluding weekends and holidays).

Catalogue Course Description:

Prerequisites: ENGL1301 and 1302. The course is a study of selected literary masterpieces written through the Renaissance. **This course satisfies a Core Curriculum Requirement:** Yes—Language, Philosophy, and Culture Foundational Component Area

THIS IS NOT A SELF-PACED COURSE. THERE ARE STRICT DUE DATES ON ALL ASSIGNMENTS.

Course Description: This course is a survey of world literature from the ancient world through the sixteenth century, which helped to shape modern literature, language, and culture. Students will study works of prose, poetry, drama, and fiction in relation to their historical and cultural contexts, along with the principles of literary criticism appropriate to the literature. Texts will be selected from a diverse group of authors and traditions.

Course Purpose: English 2332 introduces students to some of the great works of literature, from the Ancient World through the Renaissance, which helped to shape modern literature, language, and culture. This course includes the general historical background, as well as the principles of literary criticism appropriate to the literature.

Textbooks

Norton Anthology of World Literature.

This book was paid for with your tuition, so you do not need to purchase it separately.

Core Curriculum Objectives addressed

- Communications skills—to include effective written, oral and visual communication
- **Critical thinking skills**—to include creative thinking, innovation, inquiry, and analysis, evaluation and synthesis of information
- Social Responsibility—to include intercultural competence, knowledge of civic responsibility, and the ability to
 engage effectively in regional, national, and global communities
- **Personal Responsibility**—to include the ability to connect choices, actions, and consequences to ethical decision-making.

Upon successful completion of this course students should be able to:

- 1. Identify key ideas, representative authors and works, significant historical or cultural events, and characteristic perspectives or attitudes expressed in the literature of different periods or regions.
- 2. Analyze literary works as expressions of individual or communal values within the historical, social, political, cultural, or religious contexts of different literary periods, including a focus on the life and times of the authors.
- 3. Demonstrate knowledge of the development of characteristic forms or styles of expression during different historical periods or in different regions.
- 4. Articulate the aesthetic principles that guide the scope and variety of works in the arts and humanities.
- 5. Apply critical thinking to the study of literature and to the writing of analytical essays
- 6. Demonstrate competent application of the elements of the writing process, including expository, analytical, and argumentative writing, as developed in English 1301 and 1302.
- 7. Research and write accurately documented, critical papers over assigned readings in clear and grammatically correct prose.

Technology Requirements

- 1. **SPC username and password:** email helpdesk@southplainscollege.edu or call the SPC Help Desk at 806-716-2600 for help with your username/password
- 2. SPC student email access:
 - SPC Student Email Account: If you haven't already, you must go ahead and activate your SPC student email account. Not only will you need access to your SPC email account to receive TURNITIN digital paper submission receipts for our class, but you must use it to communicate with me.
 - Your SPC Email address is: yourSPCusername@southplainscollege.edu (ex. jsmith1234@southplainscollege.edu).
 - Your student email password is the same as your Blackboard password. If you need help, call the SPC Help Desk at 806-716-2600.
 - To access your SPC email account, log in to MySPC here
 - You can also set up access to your SPC email account through mobile phone mail apps, such as default smartphone Mail app or the Outlook app.
 - Check with the SPC Help Desk for assistance: 806-716-2600.
- 3. Regular access to a computer and reliable internet service:
 - Open computer labs are available free to students with an SPC I.D. on all SPC campuses (Levelland, Reese, Lubbock, Plainview).
 - Computer or internet connection problems may occur for you at some point this semester. Understand
 that it is your responsibility to find alternate computers you may use to submit your work on
 time. Find your alternate resources now; do not wait until you suddenly need them! Line up three
 friends TODAY who would be willing to loan you a laptop if yours suddenly crashes.
 - Free WiFi is available in all SPC campus buildings, some SPC parking lots, most coffee shops, etc.
- **4. Blackboard:** grades, assignments, quizzes, videos, and many other resources for this class are accessed through the Blackboard learning management system. Use your SPC credentials to log in here: https://southplainscollege.blackboard.com
- 5. **Office 365: Word and PowerPoint**: You are required to use Microsoft Word to create papers for this course. As a member of the SPC community, you have <u>free access</u> to Office 365. Office 365 provides free online access to Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel, Microsoft PowerPoint, and 1TB of free online storage with Microsoft OneDrive. You can use Office 365 online or download for free and install to your PC, Mac, or mobile device.
 - To access Office 365 for free as an SPC student, go to https://www.office.com and sign in with the following credentials: SPCusername@southplainscollege.edu and your SPC password.
 - You can then click the link for the individual application you want to use online, or click the install office link towards the top right to install the application to your computer.
- 6. Adobe Reader: Available to download free from this website: http://www.adobe.com/products/reader.html

Computer Help

Need help with your computer, laptop, email address, username/password?

- helpdesk@southplainscollege.edu
- 806-716-2600

Ebook Help

- Norton Help: https://wwnorton.com/help
- TexBook Information (Inclusive Access): https://www.southplainscollege.edu/texbook.php
- TexBook Help: https://solve.redshelf.com/hc/en-us
- SPC Bookstore: <u>tfewell@texasbook.com</u> or <u>agamble@texasbook.com</u>

Blackboard Help

- 1. Get Help by Email: blackboard@southplainscollege.edu
 - Be sure to include your full name, your instructor's name, the course and section you are enrolled in, and a detailed description of the problem.
 - The blackboard@southplainscollege.edu account is monitored from 8:00 a.m. 10:00 p.m., Monday Sunday.
 - You can expect a response within 24 hours by email; however, the average response time is less than one hour.
- 2. **Get Help by Phone**: 806-716-2180 (available between 8 AM and 4 PM Monday through Friday, except on holidays)
- 3. **Get Help Online:** click on the Help link listed in the Blackboard course menu.

Course Syllabus and Organization

- This syllabus is available on the **Syllabus** page in our Blackboard course.
- The course is organized into sixteen weeks. Each week has its own folder on the Course Content page in our Blackboard course.
- Each course week runs from 9:00 AM Monday to 9:00 AM of the following Monday.

Assignment Deadlines

The weekly assignment deadline is Monday at 9:00 AM unless otherwise noted. Late work is not accepted for any reason.

Supplies

Access to computer with printer and Internet access

Grade Calculation

- Discussion assignments 25%
- Study Guides & Quizzes 30%
- Ancient Lit Paper Project 10%
- Old English/Middle English Character Essay 20%
- Renaissance Paper Project 10%
- Final exam 5%

Essay/Paper Assessment Guidelines:

- The "A" essay is perfectly formatted, with three or fewer spelling/wrong word and/or grammatical errors. It also
 has an excellent title, strong thesis, good transitions, an introduction with a hook, a thoughtful conclusion, and
 well-supported main points in the body paragraphs. The writing is lively and intelligent; there are no sentence
 structure errors. If the paper includes sources, they are correctly integrated, cited, and documented in the style
 required.
- The "B" essay contains all of the above with one or two more errors.
- The "C" essay has a thesis, introduction, and conclusion, but lacks support and has multiple errors.
- The "D" essay contains one or more of the following problems: lack of a strong thesis, lack of a strong organizational pattern, weak introduction and/or conclusion, formatting errors, multiple spelling and grammatical errors, and/or sentence structure issues (fragments and run-ons).
- The "F" essay does not meet the minimum requirements for a sophomore-level essay assignment. Some examples of "F" essays are 1) those written on a topic that has not been approved; 2) those that do not meet the minimum word count; or 3) those that are not written in the required format.

Student Responsibilities

Students are expected to:

- 1. Be on time and regularly attend class
- 2. Be responsible for the learning process, including preparation for class, such as reading and homework; participation in class discussions, including asking relevant questions; getting assignments and/or notes if absent; and accepting responsibility for not understanding an assignment or failing an assignment
- 3. Be responsible for having an appropriate attitude and using appropriate language in academic environments; not use condescending, inflammatory, threatening, or profane rhetoric, whether verbally or in written form, in academic environments
- 4. Have respectful behavior toward instructor and classmates in order to contribute to the atmosphere necessary for learning
- 5. Be responsible for courteous actions to others, especially by putting away cell phones and other distractions while in class
- 6. Be responsible for writing down all grades and applying them to the grading scale used for the class, which is shown in the course's policy statement/syllabus
- 7. Submit all assignments in accordance with due dates, formats, and requirements
- 8. Avoid all forms of cheating and plagiarism on all assignments, including improper collaboration
- 9. Ask questions when something is unclear.

Attendance and Participation Policy

Regular, consistent attendance is required for this course. Any class session or activity missed, regardless of cause, reduces the opportunity for learning and may adversely affect a student's achievement.

There are several main things to remember about attendance for this course:

- 1. I do not drop students for non-attendance. It is your responsibility to initiate the drop process if you decide not to complete the course. Students who stop attending but don't complete the coursework will receive an F at the end of the semester.
- 2. Late work is not accepted for any reason.
- 3. When you're absent, be sure to get the notes and information about what you missed from a classmate. I can't reteach the material you missed one-on-one. However, if you need handouts or assignment instructions, etc., be sure to see me during office hours.

Be advised – I do not accept late work for any reason. If you are absent, you are still required to complete the assigned work by the indicated due date and are still required to demonstrate the concepts you missed in your writing.

You cannot make up tests. You cannot make up small group workshops. You cannot make up in-class quizzes and assignments. I do not provide lectures or PowerPoint slides in Blackboard. I will not tell you what you missed when you return to class or through email. It will be your responsibility to get the information you missed from a classmate.

Please notify me when you are going to be out of town for a school sponsored event. I will let you work ahead so that you don't miss any deadlines. However, please know that no exceptions will be made to the late assignment policy.

Dropping Our Class

Before you withdraw from our class, please contact me or talk to your advisor. There may be a way for you to get back on track.

- Check the SPC Academic Calendar here to find out the last day to drop a course for this semester: http://www.southplainscollege.edu/academiccalendar/index.php
- To drop this class, fill out and submit this form
 online: https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=ZrGRbWrP6UWeIqAmJdCCqVjMnZs6h15Nrs0pq
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- You are not required to obtain an instructor signature to drop. There will be no charge for drops for the fall or spring semesters.
- For additional information regarding schedule changes, drops and withdrawals, click here.

Withdrawing from All SPC Classes

If you wish to withdraw from all courses, initiate that process with the Advising Office. Schedule an appointment with an advisor by visiting http://www.southplainscollege.edu/admission-aid/advising/spcadvisors.php or by calling 806-716-2366.

Assignment Submission

I cannot accept any assignment via email, for any reason. It is your responsibility to make sure the assignment submitted properly *before* the due date. No documents will be accepted after the submission deadline has passed, for any reason.

Additionally, all files must be submitted as .docx documents (Microsoft Word). I cannot accept .gdoc, .pages, .odt, .rtf, or .txt files. If you submit anything other than a .docx file, you will be given a 0 for that assignment and will not be allowed to make it up.

Papers will be submitted in Blackboard. They must be named according to the instructions in order for them to be graded. I will not make allowances for the late policy because of misplaced files or files with non-standard file names.

Be aware – any assignment that doesn't meet the minimum length requirement by ½ will be given a zero, and you will not be allowed to make it up. Assignments that meet the length requirement by ½ but still don't meet the length requirement will receive significant grade deductions.

Please understand: File management is a skill that, as a college student, you should be very comfortable with. I cannot accept late work from students who didn't understand how to upload files. When you submit a file in Blackboard, you should receive a receipt at your SPC email address. Look for this email after you submit each assignment to ensure the file is in the proper place. This is extremely important.

As a college student, you assume the responsibility for your technology. I suggest three things:

- 1. Have a backup plan in place from day one, just in case your technology fails.
- 2. After submitting an assignment, return to the assignment submission before the due date and make sure it's been submitted properly. If it's not submitted properly by the due date, you will not receive credit for it, regardless of whether or not you thought the paper had submitted.
- 3. Don't wait until the last minute to submit assignments. If you have trouble, but no one is available to help you, you will still not able to submit the assignment late.

You are responsible for making sure your work has been submitted properly.

Academic Integrity

It is the aim of the faculty at South Plains College to foster a spirit of complete honesty and a high standard of integrity. The attempt of any student to present as his or her own any work which he or she has not honestly performed is regarded by the faculty and administration as a most serious offense and renders the offender liable to serious consequences and possible suspension. Please refer to the SPC General Catalog regarding consequences for cheating and plagiarism.

Do not, under any circumstances, turn in another student's work as your own. Do not, under any circumstances, give your work to anyone else to turn in as their own. Do not copy and paste from the Internet. All of these situations are representative of academic dishonesty and will be treated as such.

I have zero tolerance for cheaters. If I suspect you of cheating, I will drop you without discussion. Please trust me when I say I have ways of determining whether or not you've cheated that you can't get around, as smart as you are. ;-)

Plagiarism violations include, but are not limited to, the following

- 1. Turning in a paper that has been purchased, borrowed, or downloaded from another student, an online term paper site, or a mail order term paper mill;
- 2. Cutting and pasting together information from books, articles, other papers, or online sites without providing proper documentation;
- 3. Using direct quotations (three or more words) from a source without showing them to be direct quotations and citing them.
- 4. Missing in-text citations.

Cheating violations include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1. Obtaining an examination by stealing or collusion;
- 2. Discovering the content of an examination before it is given;
- 3. Using an unauthorized source of information (notes, textbook, text messaging, internet) during an examination, quiz, or homework assignment;
- 4. Entering an office or building to obtain unfair advantage;
- 5. Taking an examination for another;
- 6. Altering grade records; or
- 7. Copying another's work during an examination or on a homework assignment.

Student Code of Conduct Policy

Any successful learning experience requires mutual respect on the part of the student and the instructor. Neither instructor nor student should be subject to others' behavior that is rude, disruptive, intimidating, aggressive, or demeaning. Student conduct that disrupts the learning process or is deemed disrespectful or threatening shall not be tolerated and may lead to disciplinary action and/or removal from class.

Disability Statement

Students with disabilities, including but not limited to physical, psychiatric, or learning disabilities, who wish to request accommodations in this class should notify the Disability Services Office early in the semester so that the appropriate arrangements may be made. In accordance with federal law, a student requesting accommodations must provide acceptable documentation of his/her disability to the Disability Services Office. For more information, call or visit the Disability Services Office at Levelland (Student Health & Wellness Office) 806-716-2577, Reese Center (Building 8) 806-716-4675, or Plainview Center (Main Office) 806-716-4302 or 806-296-9611.

Nondiscrimination Policy

The instructor will do his or her best not to discriminate on the basis of age, color, disability, ethnic background, gender, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation, or veteran status.

Diversity Policy

In this class, the instructor will endeavor to establish and support an environment that values and nurtures individual and group differences and encourages engagement and interaction. Understanding and respecting multiple experiences and perspectives will serve to challenge and stimulate all participants to learn about others, about the larger world, and about themselves.

Title IX Pregnancy Accommodations

If you are pregnant, or have given birth within six months, under Title IX you have a right to reasonable accommodations to help continue your education. To activate accommodations you must submit a Title IX pregnancy accommodations request, along with specific medical documentation, to the Director of Health and Wellness. Once approved, notification will be sent to the student and instructors. It is the student's responsibility to work with the instructor to arrange accommodations. Contact Crystal Gilster, Director of Health and Wellness at 806-716-2362, or email cgilster@southplainscollege.edu for assistance.

Campus Concealed Carry

Texas Senate Bill - 11 (Government Code 411.2031, et al.) authorizes the carrying of a concealed handgun in South Plains College buildings only by persons who have been issued and are in possession of a Texas License to Carry a Handgun. Qualified law enforcement officers or those who are otherwise authorized to carry a concealed handgun in the State of Texas are also permitted to do so. Pursuant to Penal Code (PC) 46.035 and South Plains College policy, license holders may not carry a concealed handgun in restricted locations. For a list of locations, please refer to the SPC policy at: (http://www.southplainscollege.edu/human_resources/policy_procedure/hhc.php). Pursuant to PC 46.035, the open carrying of handguns is prohibited on all South Plains College campuses. Report violations to the College Police Department at 806-716-2396 or 9-1-1.

Note: The instructor reserves the right to modify the course syllabus and policies, as well as notify students of any changes, at any point during the semester.