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M.A. English Degree Programme

(Mahatma Gandhi University Regulations PGCSS2019 from 2019-20 Academic Year)

- 1. Aim of the Programme: The programme aims to develop students' competence with reference to Literatures/Narratives in English, and also an awareness regarding both the historicity and contemporaneity of 'language/communication' and its interdisciplinary and global cultural aftermaths. The programme prepares students to reflect on the social and ethical dimensions of research and for careers in secondary and higher education, content development, creative visualizations, publishing, and translation.
- 2. Eligibility for Admissions: Graduation in English under (Model I/II/III) or graduation inother faculties of language and literature, social science, science, oriental studies are eligible for applying for MA programme in English provided they satisfy the eligibility criteria as detailed below.
 I. For CBCCS 2013 pattern CCCPA of 4.5 out of 10.00 in the Core Group (core + open + complementary courses or if the CCPA scored by the graduate for common course is greater than the CCPA scored for core course and is 5.0 or above.
 II. For CBCSS 2009 pattern CGPA of 1.80 out of 4 or if the CGPA for common course if greater and is 2 or above. III. For Other patterns 45% marks in core + subsidiary under part III or if the marks for Part I English is greater than the marks in Part III and is 50% or above.
- **3.** Medium of Instruction and Assessment: The medium of instruction will be English and Evaluation of core & elective components and the project will be done in two parts, that is, through continuous internal assessment and end semester external examination. The marks of the paper presentation will be accorded by the externals of the project evaluationbased on the documents verified.
- **4.** Faculty under which the Degree is Awarded: Faculty of Language & Literature(MGU-CSS).
- **5. Specializations offered, if any**: Electives offered in the IV semester are specialized courses. A college can select a cluster of three courses for specialization.
- 6. Note on compliance with the UGC Minimum Standards for the conduct and award of Post Graduate Degrees: The programme is strictly in compliance with the UGC Minimum Standards for the conduct and award of Post Graduate Degrees.

FIRST SEMESTER CORE COURSES

EN010101	Up Until Chaucer: Early Literatures in English	1
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Semester 1 - Core Course 1: [EN010101] - Up Until Chaucer: Early Literatures in English

Total Credits: 4 Total Hours: 25 Weightage:

Objectives:

At the end of this course, the student will be able to make sense f the major themes in Ancientand Medieval English literature as an expression of Anglo-Saxon culture and society as it emerges into a Britain-consciousness; also, the student will be equipped to access and understand the personal experiences of people living in a society very different from our own.

Course Description:

What was *English* Literature like before Shakespeare? Before Chaucer? And from our current vantage point what *was* Chaucer and his peers *doing*? Through 5 modules, this paper offers a two-fold bird's eye-view: first, the literature of the Anglo-Saxons written over a thousand years ago and then, the standardising creative consolidation initiated by Chaucer and his peers; a paradigm shift that made possible the emergence of English literature with a purpose and identity of its own.

Module I is a sampling of early poetry.

Module 2 offers a selection of early Prose and Drama.

Module 3 wades through extracts from the first epic *Beowulf* and the iconic Romance *Le Morte D'arthur* along with a choice sequence of the early English Lyric.

Module 4 is exclusively designated to familiarise the student with the varied oeuvre of Geoffrey Chaucer.

Module 5 gives a feel of Chaucer's peers, JohnGower, Thomas Hoccleve and William Langland.

Crucial Note: The texts/readings slotted for seminars are not to be elaborated upon. The onus is on the teacher to be a judicious facilitator who will initially provide a purview of the texts' crux and then proactively generate topics/themes, which the students can develop and share with their peers. The thrust should be upon illuminating how these texts/readings proactively link up with the other texts/readings in the module. Also, it should be kept in mind that this paper is, in a very specific sense, a 'translation course' – we are dealing with both the Anglo-Saxons and the medieval writers in 'Modern English' versions of the text.

Module I [Early Poetry]:

1.1 Exeter Book Riddle 11, 'Wine' [21 lines]; cf Riddle 25, 'Onion' & Riddle 45, 'Dough'.

- **1.2** 'The Dream of the Rood' [156 lines]
- 1.3 'Deor's Lament' [42 lines]
- 1.4 'The Husband's Message' [53 lines]

Seminar:

1.5 'The Wanderer' [113 lines]1.6 'The Seafarer' [124 lines]1.7 'The Wife's Lament' [53 lines]

Module 2 [Early Prose and Drama]:

2.1 Bede: On Caedmon [including Caedmon's hymn...]
2.2 Julian of Norwich: *Revelations of Divine Love* [Chapter LX - "The Kind, Loving, Mother"]
2.3 "Noah's Flood" from the *Chester Mystery Cycle*2.4 "The York Play of the Crucifixion"
Seminar:
2.5 King Alfred: Preface to *Pastoral Care*2.6 The Robin Hood Play-fragments

Module 3 [Epic, Romance and Lyric]:

3.1Selection from *Beowulf* [Part 11 to 18 – Grendel's Battle With Beowulf] **3.2** Sir Thomas Malory: *Le Morte D'arthur* [Book 5 – King Arthur defeats Roman Emperor Lucius]

Seminar:

3.3Sir Orfeo

3.4 'The Cuckoo Song,' 'Sunset on Calvary,' 'I Sing of a Maiden,' 'Maiden in the mor lay' [short Middle English lyrics from the Norton Anthology]

Module 4 [Geoffrey Chaucer]:

4.1 General Prologue to *Canterbury Tales*: Introduction
4.2 General Prologue to *Canterbury Tales*: Wife of Bath [Thumbnail Profile]
4.3 From *The Canterbury Tales*: 'The Wife of Bath Prologue and Tale.'
Seminar:
4.4'Troilus and Criseyde'

Module 5 [Chaucer's Peers]:

5.1JohnGower: *Confessio Amantis* – The Tale of Narcissus: Book 1. Lines 2275-2380
5.2 Thomas Hoccleve: 'Lament for Chaucer'
Seminar:
5.3William Langland's *Piers Plowman* – Prologue

Specific Additional Readings:

1. W.W. Norton and Company's *The Norton Anthology of English Literature*: "Introduction to The Middle Ages"

2. Regia Anglorum Publication's "A Brief History of Anglo-Saxon England."

3. The ORB: Online Reference Book for Medieval Studies: Steven Muhlberger's Medieval

England: "The Age of Bede"; Catholic Encyclopedia's "The Venerable Bede"; Excerpt from

Bede's Conversion of England)

4.Blend of Oral-Formulaic Verse and Christian Values in "Caedmon's Hymn"

5. Bede's Ecclesiastical History of the English Nation, Book IV: "Chapter XXIV"

6. F.W. Garforth's "Bede's Account of the Poet Caedmon"

7.Excerpts from Dr. Jonathan A. Glenn's Translations of "The Seafarer" and "The Wanderer" 9.W.W. Norton and Company's *The Norton Anthology of English Literature*: "The Linguistic and Literary Contexts of *Beowulf*"

10.The Norton Anthology of English Literature's version of "Seamus Heaney on Beowulf"

11. Dream-vision/Dream Poetry, Apocalypse, and Pagan-Christian Hybridity in "The Dream of the Rood"

12. Jeannette C. Brock's "The Dream of the Rood' and the Image of Christ in the Early Middle Ages"

13. William Langland's "Piers Plowman" and the Social and Religious Issues of the Day *14.Everyman* and Thematic and Generic Conventions of Middle English Drama

Texts for Consultation:

Bruce Mitchell and Fred C. Robinson: A Guide to Old English, Wily Blackwell, 8th ed. (2012)
 R. M. Liuzza: Old English Poetry: An Anthology, Broadview Press. (2014)

3. Malcolm Godden and Michael Lapidge (eds): *The Cambridge Companion to Old English Literature*, Cambridge University Press. (1986)

4.R. D. Fulk: A History of Old English Literature. Blackwell. (2003)

5. Phillip Pulsiano and Elaine Treharne (eds): *A Companion to Anglo-Saxon Literature*, Blackwell. (2001)

6. Richard North and Joe Allard (eds): Beowulf and Other Stories, Pearson. (2007)

7.M. H. Abrams, Stephen Greenblatt, et al (eds): The Norton Anthology of English Literature, 9th

ed, [Vol. 1], (2012) - Introductions to the specific Texts/Pieces.

8. Corinne Saunders (ed): A Concise Companion to Chaucer, Blackwell. (2006)

9. Laurel Amtower and Jacqueline Vanhoutte (eds): A Companion to Chaucer and His

Contemporaries: Texts and Contexts, Broadview Press. (2009)

10. Andrew Sanders: *The Short Oxford History of English Literature*. 2nd ed. OUP. (2000)

Semester 1 - Core Course 2: [EN010102] -Literatures of the English Renaissance

Total Credits: 4 Total Hours: 25 Weightage:

Objectives: The course is designed to familiarise the students with the literature, thought and culture of the Renaissance period in England, a historical watershed marking the transition from the medieval to the modern. It is also designed as a theoretical/critical reading of the era and the texts in the light of recent theoretical interventions like New Historicism and Cultural Materialism which had a special interest in Renaissance texts. Representative works of the period have been selected with a view to instilling in the students a capacity to appreciate Renaissance writings bearing the stamp of radical changes in the outlook and ways of life.

Course Description: The course comprising major genres like Drama, Poetry and Prose provides an introduction to the literature of the English Renaissance studied in a variety of historical contexts and discusses how the confluence of social, political and economic forces culminated in conditions conducive to the creation of an impressive volume of literature. It highlights how literary luminaries like William Shakespeare and Christopher Marlowe emerged and influenced each other leaving their mark on their own time and the time to come. The completion of the course has to enable the students to imbibe the true spirit of Renaissance and Humanism making them capable of identifying the relationship between Renaissance writings and its socio-political context.

Module I:

1.1 Wilson Knight: "The Shakespearean Metaphysic" Chapter 13 of *The Wheel of Fire*.
1.2 Jonathan Dollimore and Allan Sinfield: "Culture and Textuality: Debating Cultural Materialism" *Textual Practice*, vol 4, 1990
1.3 Stephen Greenblatt: "Improvisation of Power", Chapter 6 of *Renaissance Self Fashioning*.

Module 2:

2.1 William Shakespeare: *Hamlet*2.2 "Hamlet and His Problems" Essay by T.S. Eliot

Seminar:

2.3William Shakespeare: The Tempest

Module 3:

3.1 William Shakespeare: *Hamlet***3.2** "A Psycho-analytic Study of Hamlet" Essay by Ernest Jones

Seminar:

3.3 William Shakespeare: King Henry IV Part I

Module 4:4.1Christopher Marlowe: *Doctor Faustus*4.2Ben Jonson: *The Alchemist*

Seminar:

4.3Thomas Kyd: *The Spanish Tragedy*

Module 5:

5.1 William Shakespeare: Sonnets - 18, 73, 98, 129
5.2 Edmund Spenser: Prothalamion
5.3 John Donne: Canonization
5.4 Andrew Marvell: To his Coy Mistress
5.5 Francis Bacon: Of Studies, Of Marriage and Single Life

Seminar:

5.6Thomas More: Utopia

Texts for Consultation

1. J.R. Brown: Discovering Shakespeare

- 2. EMW Tillyard: Shakespeare's Last Plays
- 3. A C Bradley: Shakespearean Tragedy
- 4. Harold Bloom: Elizabethan Drama
- 5. John Dover Wilson: What Happens in Hamlet
- 6. G. Wilson Knight: The Imperial Theme
- 7. Caroline Spurgeon: Shakespearean Imagery
- **8**. Jocelyn Hunt: *The Renaissance*
- 9. Graham Holderness: Nine Lives of Shakespeare
- 10. Terry Eagleton: Shakespeare and His Age
- 11. Ania Loomba: Race, Gender and Renaissance Drama
- 12. C. Marydass. Shakespearean Aesthetics for University Wits
- 13. John Fuller: The Sonnet

Semester 1 - Core Course 3: [EN010103] -Literatures of the English Revolution/ Enlightenment

Total Credits: 4 Total Hours: 25 Weightage:

Objectives: This course familiarizes the learner with the English literary texts which reflect the austere Puritan ideals of the late seventeenth century, the neoclassical vigour of the eighteenth century considerably influenced by the philosophy of the Enlightenment and the perspectival shift manifested in the transitional literature towards the end of this era.

Course Description: Module 1 offers a comprehensive account of the late seventeenth and the eighteenth century literary scenario drawing upon the significant social and the political developments of the times. How such events fostered the rise of new genres like the novel is unravelled. Further, the learners are familiarised with Ian Watt's perspective on the inception of this new genre in England. This module also introduces the learners to an in-depth critique of the philosophy of the Enlightenment.

Module 2 acquaints the learners with the poetry of John Milton the epic poet of the late seventeenth century, the neoclassical satirists such as John Dryden and Alexander Pope, Aphra Behn the first professional woman writer of England, and Thomas Gray, the transitional poet. Module 3 dwells on the drama written during this span of time.

Module 4 presents the acclaimed fiction of the aforementioned period.

Module 5 accommodates the ground-breaking nonfictional works of the period.

Module 1:

1.1 Pramod Nayar: "Introduction" to *English Poetry 1660-1780* Ed. Pramod Nayar
1.2 Ian Watt: "Realism and the Novel Form" (Chapter I from*Rise of the Novel*)
1.3 Michel Foucault: "What is Enlightenment?" from *The Foucault Reader*, 1984 (pp. 32-50)

Module 2:

2.1 John Milton : The Fall of Man (Lines 850-1055) from *Paradise Lost: Book IX*2.2 John Dryden : The Portrait of Achitophel (150-174) from *Absalom and Achitophel*2.3 Alexander Pope: The Portrait of Atticus (193-214) from *An Epistle to Dr.Arbuthnot*2.4 Aphra Behn : "To the Fair Clarinda"

Seminar:

2.5 Thomas Gray: Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard

Module 3:

3.1 William Congreve: Way of the World**3.2** Oliver Goldsmith: She Stoops to Conquer

Seminar:

3.3 Richard Brinsley Sheridan: The Rivals

Module 4:

4.1 Daniel Defoe: *Robinson Crusoe*4.2 Samuel Richardson: *Pamela*4.3 Henry Fielding: *Tom Jones*

Seminar:

4.4 John Bunyan: Pilgrim's Progress

Module 5:

5.1 Mary Wollstonecraft: A Vindication of the Rights of Woman**5.2** Samuel Johnson: Preface to Shakespeare

Seminar:

5.3 John Locke: An Essay Concerning Human Understanding

Specific Additional Readings:

Immanuel Kant: "An Answer to the Question: What is Enlightenment?"(Trans. from Part I of *Eighteenth Century Answers and Twentieth Century Questions* by James Schmidt (Ed.) pp. 58-64)
 Ernst Cassirer: *Philosophy of Enlightenment* T W Adorno: *Dialectic of Enlightenment*

Texts for Consultation:

1. Martin Evans: John Milton: Twentieth Century Perspectives

2. Kaufman, U. Milo. The Pilgrim's Progress and Traditions in Puritan Meditations

- 3. Janet Todd: Aphra Behn: A Secret Life
- 4. John Sitter: The Cambridge Companion to Eighteenth Century Poetry
- 5. Ronald W. Vince: *Neoclassical Theatre: A Historiographical Handbook*
- 6. J. A. J. Downie: The Oxford Handbook of the Eighteenth Century Novel (Part I)
- 7. N. Hudson: Samuel Johnson and Eighteenth-Century Thought

Semester 1 - Core Course 4: [EN010104] -Nineteenth Century English Literatures

Total Credits: 4 Total Hours: 25 Weightage:

Objectives:

The course aims to familiarize students with the fundamental premises of the Romantic Movement and Victorian literature, their theoretical and ideological frameworks, and the major trends and offshoots across various genres. A rough time span of one and a half centurywhich witnessed an initial flowering of Romanticism, followed by the rapid growth of industrialization, scientific thinking and materialism all of which find expression in the texts chosen for study.

Course Description:

The first module introduces the theoretical premises of the British Romantic Movement as well as the Victorian Age that chronologically follows the Romantic Era. The second module throws light on the historical significance of the Ode as a poetic form best suited to examine the subjective and individualistic imagination of the romantic poet which finds expression as most of the poems in this section are odes. The Third Module marks the shift to the Victorian Sensibility with increased attention being paid to the decline of the romantic sensibility, the growth of reason, ascent of materialism etc. The fourth module deals with the best novels in the English language while the last one focuses on prose and Drama

Module 1:

1.1C.M. Bowra: The Romantic Imagination
2.2Raymond Williams: "The Romantic Artist" *Culture and Soicety, 1780-1950*3.3Isobel Armstrong: "Introduction: Rereading Victorian Poetry" *Victorian Poetry: Poetry, Poetic, politics,* London, 1993

Module 2:

2.1Wordsworth: Immortality Ode2.2Coleridge: Dejection: An Ode2.3Shelley: Ode to the Skylark2.4 John Keats: Ode on a Grecian Urn

Seminar:

2.5 William Blake: "The Tyger", "The Lamb"

Module 3:

3.1Lord Tennyson: The Lotos Eaters**3.2**Robert Browning: Andrea Del Sarto

3.3Matthew Arnold: The Scholar Gypsy **3.4**D.G.Rossetti: The Blessed Damozel

Seminar:

3.5Elizabeth Barett Browning:

"If thou must love me"(Sonnet 14),

"When our two souls stand up erect and strong" (Sonnet 22)

Module 4:

4.1Jane Austen: Mansfield Park
4.2Charles Dickens: A Tale of Two Cities
4.3Emily Bronte: Wuthering Heights
4.4Thomas Hardy: Tess of the d'Urbervilles

Seminar:

4.5Charlotte Bronte: Jane Eyre

Module 5:

5.1Charles Lamb: Old China & "A Dissertation Upon A Roast Pig"
5.2William Hazlitt: On Reading Old Books
5.3 Lytton Strachey: Thomas Arnold (From *Eminent Victorians*)
5.4Oscar Wilde: The Importance of Being Earnest

Seminar:

5.6Carlyle: Hero as Poet

Texts for Consultation:

- 1. M.H.Abrahms: The Mirror and the Lamp
- 2. C.M.Bowra: The Romantic Imagination
- 3. Duncan (ed): A Companion to Romanticism, Blackwell, 1998
- 4. Walter Allen: The English Novel
- 5. Terry Eagleton: The English Novel: An Introduction
- 6. Hugh Walker: The English Essay and Essayists
- 7. Graham Hough: The Last Romantics
- 8. Boris Ford(ed): From Blake to Byron: The New Pelican Guide to English Literature (Vol 5)
- 9. M.H. Abrams(ed); English Romantic Poets: Modern Essays in Criticism. OUP London, 1975
- 10. Harold Bloom: The Visionary Company, Cornell University Press, 1971
- 11. Patricia MeyerSpacks: The Female Imagination
- 12. Joseph Bristow (ed); The Cambridge Companion to Victorian Poetry, 2000
- 13. Dierdre David (ed): The Cambridge Companion to Victorian Novel, 2001

Semester 1 – Core Course 5: [EN010105] – Literary Criticism

Total Credits: 4 Total Hours: 25 Weightage:

Objectives:

To familiarize the students with the key concepts and texts of literary criticism ever since its emergence, and to provide theoretical familiarity with the range, approaches, and mechanics of critique.

Course Description:

The course should help the student to recognize the historical, political and aesthetic dimensions of the growth of literary criticism. Issues like canon formation, evolution of the genres, methods of literary analysis will all be discussed in the different modules. Concepts being discussed include classical western criticism from Plato, Aristotle Horace and Longinus, English Renaissance and neoclassical criticism, the 18th century trends, the romantic revolt, the Victorian tradition, the new critics, Eliot's critical positions, Psychoanalysis, myth/archetypal criticism, Russian Formalism, and Reader response theories.

Module 1:

1.1Andrea Nightingale: "Mimesis: Ancient Greek Literary Theory"

1.2 Andrew Bennet: "The Romantic Theory of Authorship"

(Both from Patricia Waugh. Ed. Literary Theory and Criticism. (OUP), Ch.1 and 2. PP 38-58)

1.3 David Ayers: "The New Criticism and Beyond." (Ch.2 of Literary Theory: A Reintroduction. PP. 28-54)

Module 2:

2.1 Plato: The Republic (Excerpt). (From William Harmon. Ed. Classic Writings on Poetry. PP.1-30)

2.2 Aristotle: Poetics

2.3 Longinus: On the Sublime

Seminar:

2.4Horace: Ars Poetica

Module 3:

3.1 Philip Sidney: An Apology for Poetry

3.2 Arnold: The Function of Criticism at the Present Time

3.3 T. S. Eliot: Tradition and the Individual Talent

Seminar:

3.4Coleridge: Biographia Literaria Ch. XIV

Module 4:

4.1 Cleanth Brooks: The Language of Paradox

4.2 Northrop Frye: The Archetypes of Literature.

4.3 Frank Kermode: The Classic

Seminar:

4.4I.A. Richards: The Metaphor

Module 5:

5.1 Viktor Shklovsky: Art as Technique5.2 Eric Auerbach: Odysseus' Scar5.3 Stanley Fish: Is There a Text in the Class?

Seminar:

5.4Jerome McGann: Interpretation

Texts for Consultation:

- 1. D. A. Russell and Winterbottom (eds.): Classical Literary Criticism. [OUP]
- 2. Enright and Chickera (eds.): English Critical Texts. [OUP]
- 3. David Lodge (ed.): Twentieth Century Literary Criticism: A Reader [Longman]
- 4. V.S. Seturaman (ed.): Contemporary Criticism: An Anthology [Macmillan]
- 5. K. Pomorska and R. Rudy (eds.): Language and Literature. [HUP]
- 6. Harry Blamires: A History of Literary Criticism
- 7. Wimsatt and Brooks: Literary Criticism: A Short History

8. David G. Nichols (Ed): Introduction to Scholarship in Modern languages and Literatures, MLA, 2007.

SECOND SEMESTER CORE COURSES

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Semester 2 – Core Course 6: [EN010201] – Modernity and Modernisms

Total Credits: 4 Total Hours: 25 Weightage:

Objectives:

To familiarize the students with the literary trends of the early twentieth century in the context of the sensibility of literary modernism in the wake of the World War.

Course description:

The course includes an introduction to the changed literary perspectives in the twentieth century, along with the social, economic and political background. Imperial expansion which had reached a boiling point, the onset of the World War I coupled with the attempts at creating a new world order remained some of the key issues. The impact of the Soviet experiment at the global level that needs to be read against the backdrop of the spread and influence of Marxism on a global scale calls for a radical review of world politics. This was followed by the rise of Fascism and Nazism, followed curiously by the shadow of doubt cast over communism. In the literary field reaction against Romanticism and Victorianism led to experimentation in writing in all genres. Starting from the poetry of World War I the movement traverses a wide range of concerns topics and forms of writing. The discussion also includes movements like the Avant Garde, the Pink Decade and so forth.

Module I:

1.1Georg Lukacs: "The Ideology of Modernism"

- 1.2Malcolm Bradbury and James McFarlane: "The Name and Nature of Modernism" (Ch. 1 of Modernism: A Guide to European Literature1890-1930)
- 1.3David Harvey: "Modernity and Modernism" [in David Harvey: The Condition of Postmodernity – An Enquiry into the Origins of Cultural Change(Blackwell); also available in Tim Middleton (ed.): Modernism – Critical Concepts in Literary and Cultural Studies (Routledge)]

Module 2:

2.1 G.M.Hopkins :The Windhover
2.2Wilfred Owen :Strange Meeting
2.3W.B.Yeats :Easter 1916
2.4W.H.Auden :In Memory of W.B. Yeats
2.5Dylan Thomas :Poem in October

2.6Philip Larkin	: Next, Please	
Seminar:		
2.7Ted Hughes	:Thrushes	
Module 3:		
2.1 T.S.Eliot	:The Waste Land	
Seminar:		
2.2Robert Graves	:Ulysses	
Module 4:		
4.1Bernard Shaw	:The Apple Cart	
4.2 Samuel Beckett	:Waiting for Godot	
Seminar:		
4.3J.M.Synge :Rider	is to the Sea	
Module 5:		
5.1Virginia Woolf	:Mrs. Dalloway	
5.2James Joyce	:A Portrait of the Artist as Young Man	
5.3 D.H.Lawrence	: Rainbow	
Seminar:		
5.4 Joseph Conrad	:Heart of Darkness	
Texts for Consultati 1. James Frazer: The 2. Frank Kermode: T		
3 . Malcolm Bradbury	v and James McFarlane: Modernism 1890-1930	
4. D. H. Lawrence: S	elected Literary Criticism	
5. G M Hopkins:The	Wreck of the Deutschland	
 6. George Orwell: 1984 7. Louis MacNiece: Snow 8. Tim Middleton (ed.): Modernism – Critical Concepts in Literary and Cultural Studies Vols.1-5 (Routledge)] 		

Semester 2– Core Course 7: [EN010202] –Postmodernism and Beyond

Total Credits: 4 Total Hours: 25 Weightage:

Objectives: This course aims to acquaint the learners with the postmodern works of literature which defy categorisation and prove to be experimental in nature, subverting what is conventionally revered as the norm. The learners are to be familiarised with the eclectic dimensions of postmodern thought as reflected in these literary works in which the boundaries that demarcate the different genres are often blurred. Such literature eludes fitting into the rigid frames of nomenclature and rejects the concepts of objectivity, absolute truth and the notion of the stratification into the high and the low culture. Further, it is keenly perceptive and critical of the underlying ideologies that nurture oppressive institutions. The emphasis is on acknowledging the heterogeneity of thought and articulation.

Course Description: Module I familiarises the learners with the theoretical concepts of postmodernism drawing upon Jean Francois Lyotard's notions. Barry Lewis's essay dwells on the stylistic aspects of postmodern literature. Jeffrey T. Nealon's "Preface" considers the concept of post-postmodernism and briefly explores the current scenario. The second module offers a compilation of the diverse postmodern poetry by Frank O'Hara, John Ashberry, Tony Harrison, Michael Palmer, Allen Ginsberg, Carol AnnDuffy and Adrienne Rich. The third and the fourth modules present novels by writers from Kurt Vonnegut to William Gibson, which facilitate the learners to trace the evolution of postmodern fiction over the decades with its culmination in the cyberpunk. The fifth module presents postmodern playsby Edward Bond, Sam Shepard and Tom Stoppard, which employ significant themes and novel techniques.

Module 1:

1.1 Jean Francois Lyotard: "Answering the Question: What is Postmodernism?" from <i>The</i>	
Postmodern Condition: A Report on Knowledge. Trans. Regis Durand (pp.71-82)	
1.2 Barry Lewis: "Postmodernism and Literature (or: Word Salad Days, 1960-1990)" from	
The Routledge Companion to Postmodernism. Ed. Stuart Sim (pp. 121-133)	
1.3 Jeffrey T. Nealon: "Why Post-Postmodernism?" Preface to Post-Postmodernism: Or, The	he
Cultural Logic of Just-in-Time Capitalism (ix-xii)	

Module 2:

2.1 Frank O'Hara	: "The Day Lady Died"
2.2 John Ashberry	: "But What Is the Reader to Make of This"

2.3 Tony Harrison : "National Trust"2.4 Michael Palmer : "Sun"

Seminar:

2.5 Allen Ginsberg	: "Homework"
2.6 Carol Ann Duffy	: "Anne Hathaway"
2.7 Adrienne Rich	: "Diving into the Wreck"

Module 3:

3.1 Kurt Vonnegut: *Slaughterhouse- Five***3.2** John Fowles : *The French Lieutenant's Woman*

Seminar: 3.3Milan Kundera: *The Joke*

Module 4:

4.1 Angela Carter: *Nights at the Circus***4.2** Ishmael Reed: *Mumbo Jumbo*

Seminar: 4.3William Gibson: *Neuromancer*

Module 5:

5.1 Edward Bond: *Lear***5.2** Sam Shepard: *The God of Hell*

Seminar: 5.3Tom Stoppard: *Arcadia*

Specific Background Reading:

1. Jonathan Holden: "Postmodern Poetic Form: A Theory" from *New England Review and BL Quarterly* Vol.6, No.1 (Autumn 1983), pp.1-22

2. Keith Booker: "Technology, History and the Postmodern Imagination: The Cyberpunk Fiction

of William Gibson" from Arizona Quarterly Vol.50, No.4 (Winter 1994), pp.63-87

3. Bran Nicol: The Cambridge Introduction to Postmodern Fiction

4. Stephen Watt: Postmodern/Drama: Reading the Contemporary Stage

Texts for Consultation:

1. Fredric Jameson: Postmodernism or the Cultural logic of Late Capitalism

2. Linda Hutcheon: "Postmodernism" from The Routledge Companion to Critical Theory edited by Simon Malpas and Paul Wake (pp.115-126)and "Historiographic Metafiction: The Pastime of Past Time" (Part II, Chapter7) from A Poetics of Postmodernism: History, Theory, Fiction 3. Michael W. Messmer: "Making Sense of/with Postmodernism" (from Postmodernism -*Critical Concepts*: Volume III)

4. Ihab Hassan: "Toward a Concept of Postmodernism" (from *The Postmodern Turn*)

Semester 2 – Core Course 8: [EN010203] -American Literatures

Total Credits: 4 Total Hours: 25 Weightage:

Course Objectives:

This course seeks to introduce the students to the most important branch of English literature belonging to the non- British tradition, The course attempts to provide detailed information to the student regarding the processes and texts chiefly responsible for the evolution of American Literature as a separate branch possessing characteristic features which sets it apart from others

Course Description:

To acquaint the students with some of the major conflicts, struggles and movements that are closely connected with the experiences of a group of people struggling to establish themselves as a nation

Module One:

1.1 Robert E. Spiller: "Architects of Culture: Edwards, Franklin, Jefferson" (Chapter 1 of *The Cycle of American Literature*)

1.2 Leslie Fiedler: Love and Death in American Fiction (Chapter I)

1.3 John Paul Pritchard: 'The Early Nineteenth Century Cultural Scene', chapter I of *Criticism in America* (3-13)

Module Two:

2.1 Edgar Allen Poe: "Raven"

- 2.2 Walt Whitman: "Out of the Cradle Endlessly Rocking"
- **2.3** Emily Dickinson:

"The Soul Selects Her Own Society"

"Success is Counted Sweetest"

"Safe in Their Alabaster Chambers"

- "A Narrow Fellow in the Grass"
- 2.4 Robert Frost: "Birches"
- 2.5 Wallace Stevens: "The Emperor of Ice-cream"
- 2.6 Marge Tindal: "Cherooke Rose"
- 2.7 e. e. cummings : "Anybody Lived in a Pretty How Town"
- 2.8 Gloria Anzaluda: "To live in the Borderlands"

Seminar:

2.9 Edgar Allen Poe: "Philosophy of Competition"

Module Three:

3.1 Arthur Miller: Death of a Salesman**3.2** Eugene O'Neill: Emperor Jones

Seminar: 3.3 Amiri Baraka: Dutchman

Module Four:

4.1 Herman Melville : "Bartleby the Scrivener"
4.2 Nathaniel Hawthorne: "Young Goodman Brown"
4.3 Ernest Hemingway: "The Snows of Kilimanjaro"
4.4 Mark Twain: *Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*4.5 Saul Bellow: *Herzog*

Seminar:

4.6 Susan Abulhawa: Mornings in Jenin

Module Five:

5.1 Ralph Waldo Emerson : "Self-Reliance"
5.2 Martin Luther King: "I Have A Dream"
5.3 Henry David Thoreau: *Walden* (Chapter 1 &2)

Seminar: 5.4 Ralph Ellison: *Invisible Man*

Texts for Consultation:

1. George Parker Anderson: American Modernism

2. Daniel Hoffman: The Harvard Guide to Contemporary American Writing

3. Linda Tinh Morser: Contemporary Literature: 1970 to the Present

4. Jennifer Ashton: From Modernism to Postmodernism

5. Alan Bilton: An Introduction to Contemporary American Fiction

6. Robert .E. Spiller: The Cycle of American Literature

7. F.O. Matthiessen: The American Renaissance

8. Marcus Cunliffe: The Literature of the United States

9. Ihab Hassan: Radical Innocence

10. Paul .C. Conkins: Puritans and Pragmatists

11. C. W. Bigsby: Modern American Drama 1945- 2000

12. Leslie. A. Fiedler: Love and Death in the American Novel

Semester 2 – Core Course 9: [EN010204] -English Language History and Contemporary Linguistics

Total Credits: 4 Total Hours: 25 Weightage:

Objectives:

To inculcate in the students awareness about the basic concepts of linguistics, the scientific study of language after initiating them into the history of English language.

Course Description:

The course, divided into five modules covers the important areas in linguistics and updates the pupil on the most recent advances in the theory of language study. The course has also taken into consideration the necessity to introduce the historical perspective of English language though not in detail. This should ideally prepare the student at one level with modern notions and concerns in the field of linguistics.

Module 1 Linguistics: Tradition and History with Reference to English

- 1.1The Indo-European language family
- **1.2** Old English, Middle English, Modern English: Comparative linguistic features and evolution.
- **1.3**A descriptive and a prescriptive view on linguistic phenomena- emphasis on scientific study and analysis of language.
- **1.4** Basic Introduction to major sub disciplines of linguistics: Phonetics and phonology, Morphology, Semantics, Syntax, Pragmatics.

Module 2 Phonetics and Phonology:

- 2.1General Phonetics, Cardinal Vowels, Consonants, Phonetic Transcription in practice
- **2.2**The phonemic theory: Phoneme, allophones, contrastive and complementary distribution, free variation, phonetic similarity, pattern congruency
- 2.3Plurals & past tense in English as examples for phonologically conditioned alternation,
- **2.4**Rules and rule ordering in phonology (some examples)
- 2.5Syllable, onset nucleus and coda, foot, prosody, stress, stress rules, intonation, rhythm

Seminar:

2.6 "Phonetics and phonology: understanding the sounds of speech" (Chapter 1, pages 1-30), Robert Kirchner, Department of Linguistics, University of Alberta, https://sites.ualberta.ca/~kirchner/Kirchner_on_Phonology.pdf

Module 3 Syntax

- 3.1Traditional grammar fallacies Saussure, system and structure, language as a system of signs, Saussurean dichotomies: synchronic -diachronic, signifier- signified, syntagmatic paradigmatic, langue parole, form substance,
- **3.2**Structuralism: Contributions of Bloomfield IC Analysis disambiguation using IC analysis, limitations of IC analysis –
- 3.3PS grammar PS rules: context free and context sensitive rules, optional and obligatory rules

3.4TG Grammar Components - transformational and generative - Standard Theory

Seminar:

3.5"Phrasal Structure and Verb Complementation", Chapter 7, pages 163-190, The Structure of Modern English: A linguistic introduction, Laurel J. Brinton University of British Columbia.

Module 4 Morphology and Semantics

- 4.1The notion of a morpheme, allomporphy, zero morph, portmanteau morph
- **4.2**Inflection and derivation, level I and Level II affixes in English, ordering between derivation and inflection, + boundary (morpheme level) and # boundary (word level) in affixation,
- **4.3**Word formation techniques: blending, clipping, back formation, acronyms, echo word formation, abbreviation etc.
- 4.4Semantic relationsComponential analysis, prototypes,
- 4.5Implication, entailment, and presupposition
- 4.6Semantic theories: sense and reference, connotation and denotation, extension and intension,
- **4.7**Truth Conditional semantics: propositions, truth values, determining the semantic value of a proposition, compositional procedure, terms and predicates, predicate logic, possible worlds semantics.

Seminar:

4.8The Structure of a Semantic Theory, Jerrold J. Katz; Jerry A. Fodor, Language, Vol. 39, No. 2. (Apr. - Jun., 1963), pp. 170-210.http://links.jstor.org/

Module 5 Branches of Linguistics

- **5.1**Psycholinguistics: Definition and scope child language acquisition Innateness hypothesis speech production, speech recognition aphasia slips gaps
- 5.2Socio Linguistics: definition and scope structural and functional approach speech community speech situation speech event speech act language planning bilingualism- multilingualism-diglossia (Language and gender & Language and politics overview)- Pragmatics.
- **5.3**Applied linguistics: Definition and scope language teaching and learning contrastive analysis error analysis Translation-Computational linguistics.
- 5.4 Other Schools/ Approaches: Brief discussion about Case Grammar, Systemic Grammar, Stratification Grammar, Tagmemics, Indian Contribution to Linguistics, Paninian Phonology and the Karaka theory

Seminar:

5.5Of Minds and Language, Noam Chomsky, http://www.ucd.ie/artspgs/meaningthree/mindslanguage.pdf

Texts for Consultation:

1. Charles Barber: The English Language: A Historical Introduction. Cambridge:Cambridge University Press, 2000.

2. A. C. Baughand T. Cable: A History of the English Language. London:Routledge. [fifthedition], 2002.

3. G. Cardona: Panini: His Work and its Tradition, vol. 1. MotilalBanarasidas, Delhi, 1988.

4. Gennaro Chierchia and Sally McConnell-Ginet: Meaning and Grammar: An Introduction to Semantics. MIT Press, 1990.

5. Noam Chomsky: Knowledge of Language: Its Nature, Origin and Use. New York: Praeger, 1986

6. Noam Chomsky: Syntactic Structures, Berlin: Moutonde Gruyter, 1957/2002

7. Noam Chomsky: Aspects of the Theory of Syntax, Cambridge, Massachusetts: MIT Press, 1965.

8. Noam Chomsky: "Linguistics and Philosophy", in Languageand Philosophy: A Symposium, Sidney Hook, (ed.), New York:New York University Press, 1969, 51–94.

9. Noam Chomsky: Lectures on Government and Binding, Dordrecht: Foris, 1982.

10. Noam Chomsky: The Science of Language, Cambridge:Cambridge University Press, 2012.11. J. D. Fodor: Semantics: Theories of Meaning in Generative Grammar. Hassocks, Sussex: Harvester Press, 1977.

12. D. Freeborn: From Old English to Standard English. A course book in languagevariation across time. Houndsmill: Palgrave. [second edition], 1998

13. V. Fromkin et al: Linguistics: an introduction to linguistic theory. Oxford: Blackwell, 2000.

14. Geoffrey Leech: Semantics - The Study of Meaning. Second Edition. Penguin Books.

15. Liliane Haegeman: Introduction to Government and Binding theory. Oxford & Cambridge, MA: Basil Blackwell, 1991.

16. Henry Widdowson: Explorations in Applied Linguistics. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1984.

17. R. Jackendoff: Foundations of Language. Oxford University Press, 2002.

18. Andreas H.Jucker: History of English and English Historical Linguistics. Stuttgart:Klett, 2004

19. Krishnaswami, S.K.Verma, M. Naga Rajan: Modern Applied Linguistics: An Introduction. Madras: MacMillan, 1992.

20. Leonard Bloomfield: Language. Great Britain, London and Aylesbury: Compton Printing Ltd., 1967, (8th Reprint).

21. J. Lyons: Introduction to Theoretical Linguistics. Cambridge: CUP, 1977.

22. S. Pinker: The Language Instinct, New York, NY: Harper Perennial Modern Classics, 1994/2007.

23. E. Sapir: Language - An Introduction to the Study of Speech. New York Harcourt, Brace & World, 1921

24. D. I. Slobin: Psycholinguistics. Glenview, IL Scott, Foresman and Company, 1974.

Semester 2 - Core Course 10: [EN010205] -Thinking Theory

Total Credits: 4 Total Hours: 25 Weightage:

Objectives:

This course aims at introducing students to certain core aspects of what is currently designated as 'literary theory' and also provide exposure to select current developments in this domain.

Course Description:

Conceived as interfaces, the course has 5 modules; ideally to be taught in the order in which the readings are listed.

Module 1 puts forth 3 readings which will serve as signposts that mark the moments that retrospectively are termed as turns to/within 'theory' – Jonathan Culler's 'over-view essay' on the emergence of 'Theory', Levis-Strauss' application of Saussurean Theory, and Derrida's critique of Levis-Strauss.

Module 2situates the theoretical ruminations on Authorship and Discourse:Roland Barthes' "The Death of the Author" and Michel Foucault's "What Is an Author?" problematises the hallowed assumptions of Literary Criticism; Robert J. C. Young's "Poems That Read Themselves" takes the unsettling deconstructive project of Poststructuralism forward.

*Module 3*seeks to frame a reference wherein Psychoanalysis tackles issues pertaining to the Unconscious and Cognition:Shoshana Felman's "Beyond Oedipus: The Specimen Story of Psychoanalysis" traces the shift from Freud to Lacan; "The Phantom of Hamlet or the Sixth Act: Preceded by the Intermission of "Truth"" by Nicolas Abraham and Nicholas Rand is an interface where Literary Creativity takes Theory *per se* as its content!; Julia Kristeva's "Approaching Abjection" throws light on how insights from psychoanalysis enrich our understandings of contemporary [literary] cultures.

*Module 4*has three readings, which in tandem present a discussion platform that goes beyond the normative heterosexual assumptions of Identity and even Feminism – in fact it *Queers* the Gender dynamic: Judith Butler's "Performativity, Precarity and Sexual Politics", Judith Halberstam's "Queer Temporality and Postmodern Geographies" and Eve Sedgwick's "Paranoid Reading and Reparative Reading", all are focused on the Liminality and Transitivity that are often overlooked to shore up the normative Male-Female dynamic.

Module 5is in many ways a 'Post-postcolonial Turn': Critical Race/Ethnic

Studies.Inencounteringbell hooks' two short pieces, "Postmodern Blackness" & "Marginality as a Site of Resistance." along with Stuart Hall's "Gramsci's Relevance for the Study of Race and Ethnicity" and Barbara Christian's "The Race for Theory", it is hoped that the student/reader will be illumined as to the way the [dominant-normative] Self *disavows* its encounter with the Othered-Marginal.

Module 1 [Change of Stance - 'Criticism to Theory']:

1.1 Jonathan Culler: 'What is Theory?' in Literary Theory: A Very Short Introduction

1.2Claude Levi-Strauss: "The Structural Study of Myth"

1.3Jacques Derrida:"Structure, Sign and Play..." in Margins of Philosophy

Module 2 [Post-StructuralDeconstructions - 'Authorship and Discourse']:

2.1 Roland Barthes: "The Death of the Author"2.2 Michel Foucault: "What Is an Author?"Seminar:

2.3 Robert J. C. Young: "Poems That Read Themselves."

Module 3 [Psychoanalysis - 'Unconscious and Cognition']:

3.1 Shoshana Felman: "Beyond Oedipus: The Specimen Story of Psychoanalysis."

3.2Nicolas Abraham and Nicholas Rand: "The Phantom of Hamlet or the Sixth Act: Preceded

by the Intermission of "Truth"" in Diacritics, Vol. 18, No. 4 (Winter, 1988)

Seminar:

3.3 Julia Kristeva: "Approaching Abjection" in Powers of Horror: An Essay on Abjection

Module 4 [Queering Gender – 'Liminality and Transitivity']:

4.1 Judith Butler: "Performativity, Precarity and Sexual Politics" in Powers of Horror

4.2 Judith Halberstam: "Queer Temporality and Postmodern Geographies" in *In a Queer Time and Place: Transgender Bodies, Subcultural Lives*

Seminar:

4.3Eve Kosofsky Sedgwick:"Paranoid Reading and Reparative Reading" from *Touching Feeling*

Module 5 [Critical Race/Ethnic Studies – 'Self and the Othered-Marginal']:

5.1 bell hooks: "Postmodern Blackness" in Norton Anthology of Theory and Criticism, 1990 & "Marginality as a Site of Resistance." in Russell Ferguson, Martha Gever, Trinh T. Minhha, Cornel West (eds) Out there: marginalization and contemporary cultures, MIT Press, New York, 1990

5.2 Stuart Hall: "Gramsci's Relevance for the Study of Race and Ethnicity," in Journal of Communication Inquiry (1986)

Seminar:

5.3Barbara Christian: "The Race for Theory"

Specific Additional Readings:

0.Frederic Jameson: "End of Art or 'End of History'?" in The Cultural Turn.

1. Michel Foucault: "Nietzsche, Genealogy, History," In Donald F. Bouchard (ed.), *Language, Counter-memory, Practice*

2. Jacques Derrida: "Différance" in Margins of Philosophy

3. Kwame Anthony Appiah: "Is the Post- in Postmodernism the Post- in Postcolonial?"*Critical Inquiry*Vol. 17, No. 2 (Winter, 1991), pp. 336-357

4. Edward Said: "Travelling Theory" in The Edward Said Reader

5. Terry Eagleton: "The Politics of Amnesia" in After Theory

6.Andrzej Warminski: "The Future Past of Literary Theory" Canadian Review of Comparative Literature, September-December, 2006

7. Dr. Vince Brewton: "Literary Theory" - University of Tennessee's Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy

- 8. Louis Althusser: "Ideology and Ideological State Apparatuses"
- 9. Theodore Adorno: "Commitment"
- 10. Frantz Fanon:"Racism and Culture". (African Philosophy: An Introduction AP: A1)
- 11. Paul Gilroy:"The Black Atlantic" (Rivkin & Ryan)
- 12. Cornel West:"Moral Reasoning vs Racial Reasoning" (AP: A1)
- 13. Toni Morrison:"Playing in the Dark" (Rivkin & Ryan)
- 14. bell hooks:"Racism and Feminism" (AP : A1)
- 15. Jotiba Phule:"Racism Exposed in India Under the Guise of Brahmanism"
- 16. Andrew Bennett and Nicholas Royle: "Uncanny" [pp 34 42] in An Introduction to

Literature, Criticism and Theory [Third edition]

17. Vince Brewton: 'Literary Theory'.

Texts for Consultation:

- 1. Kwame Anthony Appiah: In My Father's House: Africa in the Philosophy of Culture
- 2. Gregory Castle: The Blackwell Guide to Literary Theory, 2007
- **3**. Andrew Bennett and Nicholas Royle: *An Introduction to Literature, Criticism and Theory* [*Third edition*]
- 4. M. A. R. Habib: Literary Criticism from Plato to the Present: An Introduction
- 5. David Lodge ed.: Modern Criticism and Theory: A Reader
- 6. Terry Eagleton: Literary Theory: An Introduction
- 7. Hans Bertens: Literary Theory [The Basics series]
- 8. Catherine Belsey: Critical Practice
- 9. Peter Barry: *Beginning Theory*
- 10. Graham Allen: Roland Barthes
- 11. Sara Mills: Michel Foucault
- 12. Christopher Norris: Deconstruction: Theory and Practice
- 13. Gerald Graff: Professing Literature
- 14. Terence Hawkes: Structuralism and Semiotics
- 15. Kiernan Ryan: New Historicism and Cultural Materialism: A Reader
- 16. Raymond Williams: Marxism and Literature
- 17. Michael Payne & John Schad (eds): Life.after Theory
- 18. Robert Rogers: A Psychoanalytical Study of the Double in Literature
- 19. Lillian Feder: Madness in Literature
- 20. Phyllis Chesler: Women and Madness
- 21. Susan Sontag- Illness as Metaphor

THIRD SEMESTER CORE COURSES

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Semester 3 - Core Course 11: [EN010301] -Reading India

Total Credits: 4 Total Hours: 25 Weightage:

Objectives:

The course is intended to provide an insight to the historical, cultural and literary heritage of India by acquainting the students with major movements and figures of Indian literature in English. Questions of language, nation and aesthetics figure prominently among the objectives of this course.

Course Description:

The course explores the origin and growth of Indian writing in English especially in the colonial and post colonial context. Representative selections from all the four major genres of Poetry, Prose, Novel and Drama which highlight the evolution of the coloniser's language in the native soil, the differences in the thematic and stylistic aspects between the pre-independence and post independence periods will be studied in detail. The problem of modernisation in Indian writing in English, the Diaspora and the quest for identity also will be focussed. A close study of select literary texts including translations of regional literatures is expected to acquaint the students with the cultural diversity of the country as well as the Indian philosophy reflected in these writings.

Module 1 [Essays]:

1.1 A.K. Ramanujan: "Is there an Indian Way of Thinking?"

1.2P.P Raveendran: "Genealogies of Indian Literature". Economic and Political Weekly. Vol 41. No. 25. June 24-26, 2006.Pp 2558-2563.

1.3 Meenakshi Mukherjee:"The Anxiety of Indianness" in *The Perishable Empire*. PP 166-185.

Module 2 [Poems]:

2.1Toru Dutt: Our Casuarina Tree
2.2Sarojini Naidu: An Indian Lovesong
2.3 Rabindranath Tagore: The Child, *Gitanjali* (section 35)
2.4 Nissim Ezekiel: Minority Poem
2.5K. Sachidanandan: How to go to the Tao Temple
2.6Jayanta Mahapatra: The Whorehouse in a Calcutta Street
2.7Kamala Das: The Old Playhouse
2.8Ranjit Hosekote: Madman
2.9C.P. Surendran: At the Family Court

Seminar:2.10Syed Amaruddin: Don't Call Me Indo-Anglian2.11Sujata Bhatt: Muliebrity

Module 3 [Plays]:

3.1Girish Karnad: *The Fire and the Rain* **3.2**Mahesh Dattani: *Tara*

Seminar:

3.3G.P. Deshpande: A Man in Dark Times

Module 4 [Fiction]:

4.1R.K. Narayan: *The Guide*4.2Salman Rushdie: *Midnight's Children*4.3Amitav Ghosh: *The Shadow Lines*4.4Arundhati Roy: *God of Small Things*

Seminar:

4.5Living Smile Vidya: I am Vidya: A Transgender's Journey

Module 5 [Regional Writings]:

5.1Bankim Chandra Chatterjee: Ananda Math
5.2U.R. Ananthamurthy: Samskara
5.3Anand: Vyasa and Vigneshwara
5.4Sharan Kumar Limbale: Akkarmashi

Seminar:

5.5K.R. Meera: Hangwoman

Texts for Consultation:

1. K.R Sreenivasan Iyengar : Indian writing in English

- 2. Salman Rushdie: *Imaginary Homelands*
- 3. Meenakshi Mukherjee: Twice Born Fiction : Indian Novel in English
- 4. Rajeswari Sunder Rajan: Lie of the Land
- 5. Susie Tharu: Subject to Change: Teaching Literature in the Nineties
- 6. Ashish Nandi: The Intimate Enemy
- 7. G N Devy: After Amnesia
- 8. Sujit Mukherjee: Translation as Discovery
- 9. R. Pardhasaradhy (ed.): Ten Twentieth Century Indian Poets
- 10. A K Mehrotra (ed.): An Illustrated History of Indian Literature in English
- 11. Eunice D' Souza (ed.): Nine Indian Women Poets: an Anthology
- 12. M.K.Naik: Aspects of Indian Writing in English

Semester 3 - Core Course 12: [EN010302]-Postcolonial Fiction

Total Credits: 4 Total Hours: 25 Weightage:

Objectives:

To introduce the students to the discursive nature of colonialism, and the counter-discursive impulses of postcolonial theory, narratives and texts.

Course Description:

The course attempts to cover through representative texts the writing, reading and criticaltheoretical practices based on the (post)colonial experience. While a segment of the course addresses the consequences of European expansion and the creation and exploitation of the 'other' worlds, the course also addresses 'internal colonisations' of diverse kinds.

Module 1 is a conceptual orientation; it includes extracts from three of the 'seminal' writings on what 'postcoloniality' is all about.

Module 2 is India-specific; it has a slight slant towards 'hybridity' 'spectrality' and 'subalternity' - as the texts by Gayatri Spivak, Homi Bhabha, Salman Rushdie, and C Ayyappan would amply attest.

Module 3 is a choice take on West Asia; alongside the unavoidable Edward Said, this section tries to tease out a familiarity with 'Arabic' literature as it engages itself in postcolonial concerns.

Module 4 is on Africa. It might appear that this section is in a curious sense 'patriarchal'! However, the selection-choice has to do with the weight of cultural capital that these authors bring, and also the understanding that non-male voices have adequate representation in other courses within the same syllabus.

Module 5 is on South America/Carribean. Here the effort is to try and wrench this writing corpus from the analytical frame that reduces it to the Magic Realist/Fabulist mode.

Module 1 [Conceptual]:

- 1.1 Bill Ashcroft, Gareth Griffiths & Helen Tiffin: "Cutting the Ground: Critical Models of Post-Colonial Literatures" in *The Empire Writes Back: Theory and Practice in Post- Colonial Literatures*. Routledge, 1989. (Chapter 1 PP.15-37)
- 2.2 Dipesh Chakrabarty: "Introduction: The Idea of Provincialising Europe" in *Provincialising Europe: Postcolonial Thought and Historical Difference*
- **3.3** Ania Loomba: "Feminism, Nationalism and Postcolonialism" in *Colonialism/Postcolonialism*

Module 2 [India]:

- 2.1 Homi K. Bhabha: "Of Mimicry and Man: The Ambivalence of Colonial Discourse" in Homi K. Bhabha. *Location of Culture*. Routledge, 1994. (PP.85-92)
- **2.2** Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak: "The Burden of English" in Gregory Castle (ed) *Postcolonial Discourses: An Anthology*

Seminar:

2.3 Salman Rushdie: *East, West* ["The Prophet's Hair" & "Yorick"]
2.4C Ayyappan: "Spectral Speech" & "Madness" [V. C. Harris translation...]

Module 3 [West Asia]:

3.1 Edward W. Said: "Narrative and Social Space" in *Culture and Imperialism*

3.2 Tayeb Salih: Season of Migration to the North

Seminar:

3.3 Assia Djebar: Women of Algiers in Their Apartment ["Day of Ramadan"]

3.4 Najwa Qa'war Farah: *For Whom Does Spring Come* ["The Worst of Two Choices or The Forsaken Olive Trees"]

3.5 Khayriyah Ibrahim as-Saqqaf: "The Assassination of Light at the River's Flow"

Module 4 [Africa]:

4.1 Frantz Fanon: "On National Culture" in *The Wretched of the Earth*.

4.2 Chinua Achebe: "An Image of Africa: Racism in Conrad's *Heart of Darkness*" in *Hopes and Impediments*.

Seminar:

- **4.3** Ngugi wa Thiong'o: *Secret Lives and Other Stories* ["Minutes of Glory"] & Hellen Nyana ["Waiting"]
- 4.4 J.M. Coetzee: Waiting for the Barbarians

Module 5 [Americas/Carribean]:

5.1José Rabasa: Allegories of Atlas in The Postcolonial Studies Reader

5.2 Juan Rulfo: Pedro Páramo

Seminar:

5.3Clarice Lispector (Brazil): "Looking for Some Dignity"& Maria Virgina Estenssoro (Bolivia): "The Child That Never Was" in Celia Correas de Zapata (ed): Short Stories by Latin American Women: The Magic and the Real

5.4 Jean Rhys: Wide Sargasso Sea.

Specific Additional Readings:

1. Waïl S. Hassan: "Postcolonial Theory and Modern Arabic Literature: Horizons of Application", *Journal of Arabic Literature*, Vol. 33, No. 1 (2002), pp. 45-64

2. Waïl S. Hassan: "Postcolonialism and Modern Arabic Literature: Twenty-First Century Horizons" in Anna Ball, Karim Mattar (eds): *The Edinburgh Companion to the Postcolonial Middle East*

3. Graham Holderness: "Arab Shakespeare: Sulayman Al-Bassam's *TheAl-Hamlet Summit*", *Culture*, Language and Representation, Vol IV, 2007, pp. 141-150

4. Graham Huggan: "Decolonizing the Map" in *The Postcolonial Studies Reader*

5. Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak: "A Literary Representation of the Subaltern" in *In Other Worlds/ Subaltern Studies 5*

6. Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak: "Can the Subaltern Speak?"

7. George Lamming: "A Monster, a Child, a Slave" in *Pleasures of Exile*. Univ. of Michigan Press, 1960. (PP. 95-117)

8. P. A. Aborisade: "National and Revolutionary Consciousness: Two Phases of Ngugi's Artistic Praxis", *Ufahamu: A Journal of African Studies*, 18(2) 1990

9. Udayakumar: "The Strange Homeliness of the Night: Spectral Speech and the Dalit Present in C. Ayyappan's Writings," Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences, XVII: 1 and 2 (2010, pub. 2013) pp. 177-91.

10. Ngugi wa Thiong'o: 'The Language of African Fiction' in Decolonising the Mind

Texts for Consultation:

1. Bill Ashcroft, Gareth Griffiths, Helen Tiffin: *Key Concepts in Post-Colonial Studies*, Routledge

2. Bill Ashcroft, Gareth Griffiths, Helen Tiffin (eds.): *The Post-Colonial Studies Reader*, Routledge

3. Bill Ashcroft, Gareth Griffiths & Helen Tiffin: *The Empire Writes Back: Theory and Practice in Post- Colonial Literatures*. Routledge

4. John McLeod: Beginning Postcolonialism. Manchester Univ. Press

5. Ania Loomba: Colonialism/Postcolonialism. Routledge

6. Leela Gandhi: Postcolonial Theory: An Introduction. Edinburgh Univ. Press

7. Elleke Boehmer: Colonial and Postcolonial Literature. OUP

8. Gregory Castle (ed.): Postcolonial Discourses: An Anthology. Blackwell

9. Padmini Mongia (ed.): Contemporary Postcolonial Theory: A Reader. Arnold

10. Francis Barker, Peter Hulme & Margaret Iversen (eds.):*ColonialDiscourse/Postcolonial Theory*. Manchester Univ. Press

11. Homi K. Bhabha (ed.): Nation and Narration. Routledge

12. Donna Landry & Gerald MacLean (ed.): The Spivak Reader. Routledge

13. Edward Said: Orientalism. Penguin

14. Aijaz Ahmed: In Theory: Classes, Nations, Literatures. Verso

15. Robert Young: Colonial Desire: Hybridity in Theory, Culture and Race. Routledge

16. Helen Gilbert: Postcolonial Plays: An Anthology

17. Sarankumar Limbale: Towards an Aesthetics of Dalit Literature

18. Cornel West: Race Matters

19. Frantz Fanon: The Wretched of the Earth

20. Paul Gilroy: There Ain't Any Black in the Union Jack

21. bell hooks: Ain't a Black Woman

22. Paul Gilroy: Small Acts

Semester 3 - Core Course 13: [EN010303] -Body, Text and Performance

Total Credits: 4 Total Hours: 25 Weightage:

Objectives:

The objectives of the course include facilitating an understanding of the basic structural, thematic and theoretical patterns which govern the poetic process, especially in its relation to the performative or the theatrical.

Course Description:

The interface between the verbal and the visual is the area under discussion here. Drama, Theatre, Body, Performance and performativity need to undergo close scrutiny here. The way the aspects of power and powerlessness are constructed and performed have to be analyzed. One cannot disregard the cinematic medium in a study of performance. Theatres, dealing with issues like gender, ethnicity, caste etc. need to be introduced. Anti-Aristotelian notions like Alienation Effect, modern dramatic modes like Comedy of Menace, the techniques of cinematic adaptations, etc. are also to be discussed in connection with the texts. Though seemingly different, Expressionism and similar modes of theatrical performance should be made part of classroom discussion. Other performance patterns like dance, performance in the form of gender/transgender/autobiography have also to be seriously considered within the gamut of this paper.

Module 1 [Theoretical]:

Discusses the theories of body, performance, gender, power needed for critical deliberations in the ensuing modules.

- 1.1 Richard Schechner: "What is Performance Studies?" & "What is Performance?" (Performance Studies: An Introduction (Third Edition), Chapter 1, PP. 1-5 & Chapter 2, PP 28-31)
- **1.2** Judith Butler: Performative Acts and Gender Constitution: An Essay in Phenomenology and Feminist Theory (Theatre Journal, Vol.40 PP. 519-531)
- **1.3** Jen Pylypa: Power and Bodily Practice: Applying the Work of Foucault to an Anthropology of the Body (Arizona Anthropologist, Vol. 13, PP. 21-36, 1998.)

Module 2 [Desire]:

Here is desire dramatized in terms of expressive, subtle and didactic modes. The first play presents elements of Expressionism, the second gives an idea of Comedy of Menace, and the third introduces Epic Theatre, Alienation Effect and the musical Opera. They all speak about violence on the body and mind of desire in myriad forms.

- 2.1 Tennessee Williams: A Street Car Named Desire
- 2.2 Harold Pinter: The Birthday Party

Seminar:

2.3Bertolt Brecht: The Three-penny Opera

Module 3 [Gender/Transgender]:

This module is about gender/transgender and its theatrical dimensions. "Lysistrata" provides a slice of the classical Greek comedy playing again in an arguably subversive mode the male gaze through feminine eyes. "Ruined" is set in Congo, a reworking on the lines of Brecht's *Mother Courage*, yet surely a deviation, speaking about the horrors of rape at the time of an African civil war. "A Friend's Story" mediates a love triangle involving a lesbian relation, set in Mumbai, at a time when homosexuality in India was a crime. "A Mouthful of Birds" is an ensemble of unnatural plots and theatrical performances, staged in an avant-garde fashion, discussing female violence and transgressions of gender norms through madness correlated with one another using themes from *The Bacchae* of Euripides.

3.1 Aristophanes: *Lysistrata*3.2 Lynn Notage: *Ruined*3.3 Vijay Tendulkar: *A Friend's Story* (Mitrachi Goshta)
Seminar:
3.4Caryl Churchill and David Lan: *A Mouthful of Birds*

Module 4 [Autobiography/Performance]:

Other performances in the sense of gender as performance: Isadora Duncan's dance, seen through her autobiography- even autobiography as performance; a Bollywood sports biopic on Mary Kom; American Queer Theatre struggling to carve a niche in the popular Broadway as narrated through the personal experiences of playwright, performance artiste and gender theorist Kate Bornstein, an avowed gender non-conformist, along with her play that appears as a chapter of the autobiography.

4.1 Isadora Duncan: *My Life* (Autobiography)

4.2 Omung Kumar: Mary Kom (Biopic)

Seminar:

4.3Kate Bornstein: Queer Life/Queer Theatre & Hidden: A Gender, a play in two acts ("Gender Outlaw: On Men, Women and the Rest of us", Chapters 14 & 15, PP. 187-275) – (Autobiography)

Module 5 [Cinematic Dimensions; Race/Caste]:

Cinematic tellings/adaptations dealing with the issues of race, slavery and caste feature in this module. The problematizing of the binaries of villain and superhero, the black and the white etc., and the play and the critique of stereotypes are all ingredients which spice up the module. The debates are set to tone in the deftly crafted "Unbreakable" by the Indian-American Director Manoj Nelliyattu Shyamalan. William Shakespeare's play *Othello* adapted into the Indian

context in Vishal Bhardwaj's "Omkara" throw light on the dark recesses of racism and caste politics. Set against the brutal and vulgar feudal system in Kerala, scripted by P. Balachandran and directed by Rajeev Ravi, "Kammattipaadam", the third film, marks the ways in which the human bodies here have been socially and culturally constructed, cutting through time and space.

5.1Andrew Dix: "Films and Ideology" (Ch. 8 of *Beginning Film Studies* PP.229-268)
5.2M. Night Syamalan: *Unbreakable*5.3 Vishal Bhardwaj: *Omkara*Seminar:

5.4 Rajeev Ravi: Kammattipaadam

Specific Additional Readings:

1. Descartes: Mind-body dualism (The Principles of Philosophy, PP.60-65)

2. Richard Schechner: Performance Studies: An Introduction (Third Edition)

3. Philip C. Kolin: Roland Barthes, Tennessee Williams, and "A Streetcar Named Pleasure/Desire": JSTOR.

4. Aloysia Rousseau: Harold Pinter's *The Birthday Party* (1958) and *The Dumb Waiter* (1960) or the Intermingling of Farce and Menace.

5. Alice Rayner: Harold Pinter: Narrative and Presence. JSTOR.

6. Bertolt Brecht: The Street Scene: The Basic Model of an Epic Theatre

7. Kim H. Kowalke: Singing Brecht vs. Brecht Singing: Performance in Theory and Practice. **8**. Alexander G. Harrington: Directing "The Three-penny Opera"

9. Emily B. Klein. Sex and War on the American Stage: Lysistrata in Performance, 1930-2012.
10. Carmen Mendez Garcia: "This is my Place, Mama Nadi's": Feminine Spaces and Identity in Lynn Nottage's *Ruined*.

11. Rebecca Ashworth and Nalini Mohabir: Ruined: From Spectacle to Action

12. Fatimah Saleh Ali Al-Humoud: Violence against Women: A Feminist Study of Women's Situation during the Civil War of the Democratic Republic of Congo in Lynn Nottage's *Ruined*.

13. Rohini Hattingady: Note on *A Friend's Story*. Collected Plays in Translation. **14**. Priyanka Chandel: Engendered Subjectivities: Construction of Queer Identity in Vijay Tendulkar's *A Friend's Story* and Mahesh Dattani's *On a Muggy Night in Mumbai* (Thesis).

15. Hidden: A Gender, a play in two acts https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fFD8NpA3hec **16**. Bina Toledo Freiwald: Becoming And Be/Longing: Kate Bornstein's *Gender Outlaw* and *My Gender Workbook*

17. Ann Daly: Isadora Duncan's Dance Theory (Dance Research Journal, Vol. 26, No. 2 (Autumn, 1994), pp. 24-31)

18. Sudhish Kamath: Mary Kom, about the Heroine, not the Boxer. The Hindu. Sept. 05, 2014.19. M.C. Mary Kom: *Unbreakable: An Autobiography*

20. Valerie Bonnet: Sport in Films: Symbolism versus Verismo. Film Genre Theory, Sports Films, Towards Defining Sports Films (The French Journal of Media Studies)

21. Laura Nutten: Madness and Signification in A Mouthful of Birds

22. Ronald L. Jackson II: "Black Masculine Scripts" (*Scripting the Black Masculine Body: Identity, Discourse and Politics in Popular Media*, Chapter 3, PP. 73-102).

23. Dave Schilling: Unbreakable: The Film that Launched our Modern Superhero Renaissance.

24. Brinda Charry and Gitanjali Shahani: The Global as Local/Othello as "Omkara"

25. Rebecca Dmello: Constrained Women in "Omkara": Marriage, Mythology, and Movies.

26. SakshamSharda: Black Skin, Black Castes: Overcoming a Fidelity Discourse in Bhardwaj's "Omkara"

27. Sonali Pattnaik: Adaptation as 'Becoming Other': A Study of the Film "Omkara"

28. Sreedhar Pillai: How Malayalam film "Kammatipaadam" shatters stereotypes about caste and complexion

29. Siddhant Adlakha: Fantastic Fest: "Kammatipaadam" is a Crime Masterpiece.

30. Latha V.K and Remya R.: Historical Revisionism in "Kammattippadam": A Regional Chronicle Of Dalit History

31. Interviews with Vinayakan:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e1sFQoReIechttps://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zk1MUQi QUAg&t=173s

Texts for Consultation:

1. Philip B. Zarilli: Acting (Re) Considered: A Theoretical and Practical Guide

2. Philip Auslander: From Acting to Performance ("Just be your Self": Logocentrism and Difference in Performance Theory)

3. Philip Auslander: Liveness: Performance in a Mediatized Culture

4. David Krasner and David Z. Saltz: Staging Philosophy: Intersections of Theatre, Performance, and Philosophy

5. Deidre Heddon: Autobiography and Performance (Theatre and Performance Practices).

- 6. Robert Scholes et. al. (Ed.): "The Elements of Film" Elements of Literature
- 7. Keir Elam: Semiotics of Theatre and Drama

8. Alex Siers Ed.: The Metheun Drama Book of Twenty-First Century Plays

9. Shohini Chowdhuri: Feminist Film Theorists: Laura Mulvey, Kaja Silverman, Terese de Lauretis, Barbara Creed

10. Eric Lane Ed.: Telling Tales: New One Act Plays

11. Kenneth Pickering: Studying Modern Drama

12. Christian Metz: Film Language

13. Henry Bial (Ed.): The Performance Studies Reader

14. Julie Sanders: Adaptation and Appropriation

15. Marvin Carlson: Performance: A Critical Introduction

16. Johan Huizinga: Homo Ludens

17. Women's Theatre Group (WTG) & Elaine Feinstein: Lear's Daughters (Adaptations of

Shakespeare: A Critical Anthology of Plays from the Seventeenth Century to the Present (Eds.)

Daniel Fischlin, Mark Fortier)

Semester 3 – Core Course 14: [EN010304] -Literature and Gender

Total Credits: 3 Total Hours: 25 Weightage:

Objectives:

The course seeks to highlight the historic, thematic and cultural concerns that literature attempts against the backdrop of gender issues. A theoretical framework is provided whereby gender issues are examined, paying special attention to the fundamental political, religious and social issues that shape gender relations, thereby viewing gender as a fluid rather than a *mere* fixed hetero-normative Male-Female concept.

Course Description:

The 'woman quotient' in Gender Studies is mapped in the first module where the concept of Masculinity which looms large in a patriarchal social order is also examined .The learner is taken on a poetic voyage through *ecriture feminine* in the second module. The third section interrogates the social stakes involved in being a woman and addresses the issue of Gender and Community Identity. The fourth section addresses the problematic issues of Lesbian and Black identity. The last module is an exclusive study of the issue of patriarchal oppression portrayed in various Indian languages over the decades.

Module 1:

- 1.1 Elaine Showalter; "The Female Tradition" from A Literature of their Own.(Feminisms: An Anthology of Literary Theory and Criticism Ed. Robyn R. Warhol & Diane Price Herndl. pp 269-88)
- 1.2 Patricia Hill Collins: "The Power of Self-Definition". (Black Feminist Thought pp 107-32)
- 1.3 Susan Jeffords: "Masculinity as Excess in Vietnam Films: The Father/Son Dynamic of American Culture". (*Feminisms: An Anthology of Literary Theory and Criticism* Ed. Robyn R. Warhol& Diane Price Herndl 988-1010)

Module 2:

2.1Sappho: Ode to Aphrodite
2.2 Auvaiyar: "Real Freedom"
2.3 AkkaMahadevi: "It was like a Stream"
2.4 Phyllis Wheatley: "On being brought from Africa to America"
2.5 Margaret Atwood: "Helen of Troy does Countertop Dancing"
2.6 Kamala Das: "An Introduction
2.7 Imtiaz Dharker: "Purdah"

Seminar:

2.8Taslima Nasrin: "Things Cheaply Had"
2.9Kishwar Naheed: "The Grass Is Really Like Me"
2.10 Meena Kandaswamy: "Princess in Exile"
2.11 Meena Alexander: "Illiterate Heart"

Module 3:

3.1 Bapsi Sidwa: The Ice Candy Man**3.2** Sylvia Plath: The Bell Jar**3.3** Alice Walker: Color Purple

Seminar:

3.4Virginia Woolf: The Hours

Module 4:

4.1 Revathy. A.: The Truth About Me: A Hijra Life Story

4.2 Maya Angelou: I know Why the Caged Bird Sings

4.3 Lorraine Hansberry: Raisin in the Sun

Seminar:

4.4 Chimamanda Adichie: "We should all be Feminists," Ted talk,

(https://www.ted.com/talks/chimamanda_ngozi_a dichie_we_should_all_be_feminists#t-181958)

4.5 Rebecca Walker: "Becoming the Third Wave" (United States 1992){ *The Essential Feminist Reader* Ed. Estelle. B. Freedman 397-401}

Module 5:

- **5.1** Lalithambika Antharjanam: Pratikaradevatha (Transl. Gita Krishnankutty *Women Writing in India Vol: I*)(490-501)
- **5.2** Prathibha Ray: The Blanket (Transl. Jayanta Mahapatra. *Women Writing in India Vol: II*) (512-23)
- **5.3** Ajeet Cour: Dead End (*Speaking for Myself: An Anthology of Asian Women's Writing*) (369-85)
- 5.4 Rokeya Sakhwat Hossain: Sultana's Dream (Women Writing in India Vol: I) (342-351)
- 5.5Hamsa Wadkar: I'm Telling You Listen (Women Writing in India Vol: I) (190-196)
- **5.6** Sajitha Madathil: Kaalinaadakam (Translated by Anand Haridas in *Indian Literature* No 303, January/February 2018, Vol LXI No. 1)
- 5.7 Susie Tharu & J. Lalitha: The Twentieth Century: Women Writing the Nation (43-78)

Seminar:

- **5.8** Sara Joseph: Black Chinks (Translated by J. Devika in *The Oxford Anthology of Modern Malayalam Literature* Ed. P. P. Raveendran &. G. S. Jayasree) (280-88)
- **5.9** S. Sithara: Fire (Translated by Jayasree Ramakrishnan in *The Oxford Anthology of Modern Malayalam Literature* Ed. P. P. Raveendran & G. S. Jayasree) 393-98

Texts for Consultation:

1. Robyn R. Warhol& Diane Price Herndl (eds): *Feminisms: An Anthology of Literary Theory and Criticism*

2. Estelle B. Freedman (ed): The Essential Feminist Reader

3. Susie Tharu & J. Lalitha (ed): Women Writing in India, vols I& 2

4. Patricia Hill Collins: Black Feminist Thought

5. Sukrita Paul Kumar and Malashri Lal (eds): *Speaking for Myself: An Anthology of Asian Women's Writing*

6. Shosanna Feldman; "Women and Madness: the Critical Fallacy" in *The Feminist Reader: Essays in Gender and the Politics of Literary Criticism.* Ed, Catherine Belsey & Jane Moo

7. P. P. Raveendran & G. S. Jayasree Ed. *The Oxford Anthology of Modern Malayalam Literature (Vol I&II)*

8. J. Devika: *En-gendering Individuals: The Language of Re-forming in Early Twentieth Century Keralam* (Orient Black Swan)

9. Claire Colebrook: Gender (transitions - Gen Editor Julian Wolfreys)

10. Toril Moi: Sexual/Textual Politics

11. Simone de Beauvoir: The Second Sex

12. Kate Millet: *Sexual Politics*

13. Elaine Showalter: A Literature of Their Own

14. Isobel Armstrong: New Feminist Discourses

15. Judith Butler: "Imitation and Gender Insubordination" in Diana Fuss(ed) Inside Out :

Lesbian Theories

16. Helene Cixous: "The Laugh of the Medusa" in Elaine Marks & Isabelle de Courvitron (Ed) *New French Feminism*

17. Monique Wittig: The Straight Mind and Other Essays

18. Rebecca Walker: "How my mother's fanatical views tore us apart,"

http://www.dailymail.co.uk/femail/article1021293/How-mothers-fanatical-feministviews-tore-apart-daughter-The-Color-Purpleauthor.html

19. Bell hooks: "Black Women Shaping Feminist Theory," *Feminist Theory: From Margin to Center*, 1984

20. Virginia Woolf: "Professions for Women," in Women and Writing&A Room of One's Own

Semester 3 - Core Course 15: [EN010305]-Ethics in/as Literature

Total Credits: 3 Total Hours: 25 Weightage:

Course Objectives:

The main objective of this course is to familiarise the student with certain 'ethics' that narrative fiction has adopted across centuries, continents and languages. It is expected that the student will be introduced to the various ethical, formal choices that schools, influences and narrative devices have upheld so as to shape narrative fiction into its present expressive plurality.

Course Description:

Module I includes reading from some of the major theoretical interpretations of the narrative and narrative mores: Roland Barthes' 'Authors and Writers', Milan Kundera's 'The Depreciated Legacy of Cervantes', Orhan Pamuk's Preface to *Tristram Shandy* and Franco Moretti's "History of the Novel, Theory of the Novel".

Module 2 takes a walk down the fabulist lane that stretches beyond what we usually understand as fictional/narrative realism:Miguel de Cervantes's *Don Quixote (Part 2)*, Lawrence Sterne's *Tristram Shandy*,Donald Barthelme's post-modern reworking of the *Snow White* – fairy tale, Jorge Luis Borges' 'The Garden of Forking Paths' and Gabriel Garcia Marquez' 'The Handsomest Drowned Man in the World'

Module 3 is an attempt to sample how fiction has dealt with the issue of disabilities at different levels. Starting with the perennial classic, Victor Hugo's *The Hunchback of Notre-Dame, the module also includes* Nikos Kazantzakis' *God's Pauper: St Francis of Assisi*, José Saramago's *Blindness*, W. Somerset Maugham's 'The *Man with the Scar'* and Raymond Carver's 'Cathedral'

Module 4 is all about the environment – the natural and the human and the intersectionality between them. The module starts off with the phenomenal Malayalam work bySubhash Chandran, *A Preface to Man*, followed byOrhan Pamuk's *Snow*,Margaret Atwood's *Oryx and Crake*,J. M. Coetzee's 'The Lives of Animals' and Mahasweta Devi's 'Dopti/Draupadi' *Module 5* looks into issues of Otherness, as it has been tackled by narrative fiction. The selection includes Fyodor Dostoyevsky's *The Possessed*,Ama Ata Aidoo's parody of Joseph Conrad's *Heart of Darkness - Our Sister Killjoy*,Arundhati Roy's *The Ministry of Utmost Happiness*,John Henrik Clarke's 'The Boy Who Painted Christ Black' and the Malayalam Dalit masterpiece, Paul Chirakkarode's '*Eli Eli Lama Sabachthani*?' [My God, My God, Why Hast Thou Forsaken Me?]

Note: As is evident from a perusal of the syllabus, all the seminar fields have been assigned 'short stories'; this is a tacit nod to acknowledging the trajectories which this 'other' prose fictional genre has traversed in the last two hundred odd years.

Module 1 [On Narrative Ethics]:

1.1 Roland Barthes: 'Authors and Writers' (*Critical Essays*)
1.2Milan Kundera: 'The Depreciated Legacy of Cervantes' (Part 1 of: *The Art of the Novel*)
1.3Orhan Pamuk: '*Everyone Should Have* an *Uncle Like This'* (*Other Colours*)
1.4 Franco Moretti: "History of the Novel, Theory of the Novel" *New Left Review 52*, July-August 2008

Module 2 [Beyond Realism]:

2.1Miguel de Cervantes: *Don Quixote (Part 2)* [Edith Grossman Translation]
2.2Lawrence Sterne: *Tristram Shandy*2.3Donald Barthelme: *Snow White*Seminar:
2.4 Jorge Luis Borges: 'The Garden of Forking Paths'
2.5 Gabriel Garcia Marquez: 'The Handsomest Drowned Man in the World'

Module 3 [Disabilities]:

3.1 Victor Hugo: *The Hunchback of Notre-Dame*3.2Nikos Kazantzakis: *God's Pauper: St Francis of Assisi*3.3José Saramago:*Blindness*Seminar:
3.4W. Somerset Maugham: 'The *Man with the Scar'*3.5 Raymond Carver: 'Cathedral'

Module 4 [The Human (and the) Environment]:

4.1Subhash Chandran: A Preface to Man
4.2 Orhan Pamuk: Snow
4.3 Margaret Atwood: Oryx and Crake
Seminar:
4.4J. M. Coetzee: 'The Lives of Animals'
4.5 Mahasweta Devi: 'Dopti/Draupadi'

Module 5 [Otherness]:

5.1Fyodor Dostoyevsky: The Possessed (The Devils/ Demons)
5.2Ama Ata Aidoo: Our Sister Killjoy
5.3 Arundhati Roy: The Ministry of Utmost Happiness
Seminar:
5.4John Henrik Clarke: 'The Boy Who Painted Christ Black'
5.5 Paul Chirakkarode: 'Eli Eli Lama Sabachthani?'

Specific Additional Readings:

1. Mark DeStephano on Don Quixote

- 2. Ignacio Arellano on Don Quixote
- 3. Oana-Roxana Ivan on Tristram Shandy
- 4. Daniel Thomières on Tristram Shandy
- 5. Shaghayegh Mohammadi on Snow White
- 6. Alina Leonte on *Snow White*
- 7. Gemma Curto on 'Garden of Forking Paths'
- 8. Ethan Weed on 'Garden of Forking Paths'
- 9. David Holland on Marquez
- 10. Anupa Lewis on Marquez
- 11. Fiona Whittington-Walsh on Hunchback of Notre Dame
- 12. Alex J Novikoff on Hunchback of Notre Dame
- 13. Frederick Sontag on Kazanthzakis and St Francis
- 14. Paulo C Chagas on Saramago
- **15**. Hayfa Chenini on Saramago
- 16. On 'The Man with the Scar'
- 17. Ala Eddin Sadeq on Raymond Carver
- 18. Libe García Zarranz on Raymond Carver
- 19. Sandhya Suresh V on A Preface to Man
- 20. Jyothi lekshmi G on A Preface to Man
- 21. Alver Ahmet on Orhan Pamuk's Snow
- 22. Pritha Mukherjee on Orhan Pamuk's Snow
- 23. Beth Irwin on Oryx and Crake
- 24. Valeria Mosca on Oryx and Crake
- 25. Alan Northover on Coetzee
- 26. Wolfe on 'Lives of Animals'
- 27. Huma Yaqub on Mahasweta Devi
- 28. Ranita Chakraborty on Mahasweta Devi
- **29**. Eva M Meyersson on Dostoevsky
- **30**. Christine Smoley on Dostoevsky
- 31. Lhoussain Simour on Our Sister Killjoy
- 32. Aisha Al Matari on Our Sister Killjoy
- 33. Alex Tickell on Arundhati Roy
- 34. Angelo Monaco on Arundhati Roy

Texts for Consultation:

- 1. Georg Lukacs: The Theory of the Novel
- 2. Lucien Goldmann: Towards a Sociology of the Novel
- 3. David Lodge: The Art of Fiction
- 4. Wayne C. Booth: The Rhetoric of Fiction
- 5. Patricia Waugh: Metafiction
- 6. Jeremy Hawthorn: *Studying the Novel*
- 7. Shlomith Rimmon-Kenan: Narrative Fiction: Contemporary Poetics

- 8. Joyce Carol Oates: Telling Stories An Anthology for Writers
- 9. Linda Hutcheon: A Poetics of Postmodernism: History, Theory, Fiction
- 10. Mikhail Bakhtin: The Dialogic Imagination
- 11. Susan Lohafer & Jo Ellyn Clarey (eds): Short Story Theory at a Crossroads
- 12. Edgar V. Roberts and Henry E. Jacobs: Literature: An Introduction to Reading and Writing

FOURTH SEMESTER CORE COURSES

EN010401	Cultural Studies		16
EN010402	Post Colonial Poetry		17
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Semester 4 - Core Course 16: [EN010401]-Cultural Studies

Total Credits: 3 Total Hours: 25 Weightage:

Objectives: To introduce students to certain interpretive strategies commonly employed in Cultural Studies. Emphasis is on overt interdisciplinary approaches to exploring how cultural processes and artifacts are produced, shaped, distributed, consumed, and responded to in diverse ways.

Course Description:

"It is —a tendency across disciplines rather than a discipline itself." By transgressing disciplinary boundaries, Cultural Studies suggests a "remapping of the humanities." *Module 1* is axiomatic in the sense that the 3 readings taken from Raymond Williams, Stuart Hall, and John Storey set the stage for the subsequent engagements.

Module 2draws attention to the pervading cultural semiosis that one can discern in societies the world over. The readings from Guy Debord, R. Nandakumar, and David Forgacs offer ways by which one can understand the methodologies of representation and the decoding of such social signs as such.

Module 3 is all about the different modes that Lifestyles assume. The readings from Michel de Certeau, Pierre Bourdieu, and George Simmel offer means by which we can and 'read' the various negotiations of socio-cultural identities.

Module4 is the terrain of 'Homo Ludens' – the playing human. The writings of Roland Barthes, Abilash Nalapat/Andrew Parker, and Amanda Roth/Susan A. Basowdraw attention to the poetics and politics of sports-as-myth.

Module 5 is an assemblage that can be termed 'Manifestoes.'The readings fromArjun Appadurai, Achille Mbembe, and *Jacques Rancière* form an inter-textual deep-play network that constellates to draw attention to the horizon of cultural certitudes, expectations and anxieties that deserve thorough academic scrutiny.

Module 1 [Axioms]:

1.1 Raymond Williams: "The Analysis of Culture"

1.2 Stuart Hall: "The Emergence of Cultural Studies and the Crisis of the Humanities.'

1.3 John Storey: "What is Popular Culture?" (pp 1-16 in Cultural Theory and Popular Culture)

Module 2 [Representations]:

2.1 Guy Debord: "The Commodity as Spectacle."

2.2R Nandakumar: "The Missing Male: The Female Figures of Ravi Varma and the Concepts of Family, Marriage and Fatherhood in Nineteenth century Kerala" (*South Indian Studies*, No.1, Jan-June, 1996)

Seminar:

2.3David Forgacs: "National-popular: Genealogy of a concept" in Simon During (ed) *The Cultural Studies Reader*.

Module 3 [Lifestyles]:

3.1 Michel de Certeau: "Walking in the City" in Simon During (ed) *The Cultural Studies Reader*.
3.2Pierre Bourdieu: "Distinction: A Social Critique of the Judgement of Taste" in Carole Counihan and Penny van Esterik (eds), *Food and Culture: A Reader*, Routledge, 2013, pp 31-40

Seminar:

3.3 George Simmel: "Fashion"

Module 4 [Homo Ludens]:

4.1 Roland Barthes: 'The World of Wrestling' (From *Mythologies*, selected and translated by Annette Kavers, London, Jonathan Cape, 1972)

4.2 Abilash Nalapat and Andrew Parker: 'Sport, Celebrity and Popular Culture: Sachin Tendulkar, Cricket and Indian Nationalisms.'

Seminar:

4.3 Amanda Roth & Susan A. Basow: 'Femininity, Sports, and Feminism.'

Module 5 [Manifestoes]:

5.1Arjun Appadurai: 'The Thing Itself'
5.2 Achille Mbembe: 'Necropolitics'
Seminar:
5.3Jacques Rancière: 'Preface to Proletarian Nights'

Specific Additional Readings:

1. Raymond Williams: "Culture is Ordinary" (*Resources of Hope: Culture, Democracy, Socialism*)

2. Stuart Hall: "Cultural Studies: Two Paradigms" (*Media, Culture and Society* vol.2)

3.Simon During: "Postmodernism or Post-colonialism Today" (in Bill Ashcroft etal: *The Post-colonial Studies Reader*)

4. Chandra Mukerji & Michael Schudson: "Introduction: Rethinking Popular Culture." in Rethinking Popular Culture: Contemporary Perspectives in Cultural Studies. Berkeley: University of California Press, 1991.

5. Simon During: 'Value' in Simon During: Cultural Studies: A Critical Introduction. London; New York: Routledge (2005)

6. Susan Sontag: On Photography

7. Janet Murray: Hamlet On the Holodeck. New York: Free Press, 1997. Pp. 273-283.

8. Bhaskar Mukhopadhyay: "Cultural Studies and Politics in India Today," *Theory Culture Society*, 2006 (SAGE, London, Thousand Oaks and New Delhi), Vol. 23(7–8): 279–292

9. Ashis Nandy: "Introduction: Indian Popular Cinema as a Slum's Eye View of Politics" in *The Secret Politics of Our Desires: Innocence Culpability and Indian Popular Cinema*, Ashis Nandy (ed) Delhi: OUP, 1998)

10. John Fiske: "The Signs of Television."

11. Pierre Bourdieu: 'How can one be a sports fan?'

12. Udayakumar: "Autobiography as a Way of Writing History: Personal Narratives from Kerala and the Inhabitation of Modernity" (in *History in the Vernacular*, eds. Partha Chatterjee and Raziuddin Aquil, Delhi: Permanent Black, 2008.)

13. Raadhika Gupta: 'Bowled Out of the Game: Nationalism and Gender Equality in Indian Cricket.'

14. Lorenzo Magnani: 'Ritual Artifacts as Symbolic Habits.'

15. Arjun Appadurai: 'Playing with Modernity: The Decolonization of Indian Cricket.'

16. Arjun Appadurai: 'Architecture and Amnesia in Indian Modernity.'

17. Roland Barthes: "Rhetoric of the image." Image, Music. Text.

18. Jacques Lacan: "Sign, Symbol, Imagery." On Sign. Ed. Marshall Blonsky.

19. John Fiske: "Television Culture" *Literary Theory: An Anthology*.(Rivkin and Ryan).

20. Raymond Williams. Television; Technology and Cultural Form.

21. Ann Keplan:" Feminist Criticism and Television" from *Channels of DiscourseReassembled* (Robert Allen)

22. Aravind Rajagopal: "Hindu Nationalism and the Cultural Forms of Indian Politics."

23. Carole M. Cusack: "The Gods on Television: Ramanand Sagar's Ramayan", in *Politics and Popular Piety in Late Twentieth-Century India* by Alex Norman and Cusack, 2012.

24. Aarttee Kaul Dhar: "The Ramayana and Sita in Films and Popular Media: The Repositioning of a Globalised Version" in *The Return of the Epic Film*,

25. Prabha Krishnan: "In the Idiom of Loss: Ideology of Motherhood in Television Serials." Economic and Political Weekly 25, no. 42/43 (1990): WS103–16.

26. ShantiKumar: *Gandhi Meets Primetime: Globalization and Nationalism in Indian Television* Chicago: University of Illinois Press, 2006.

27. Purnima Mankekar: *Screening Culture, Viewing Politics: An Ethnography of Television, Womanhood, and Nation in Postcolonial India*. Durham: Duke University Press, 1999.

28. Clifford Geertz: 'The Balinese Cockfight."

29. Helena Tolvhed : 'Sex Dilemmas, Amazons and Cyborgs: Feminist Cultural Studies and Sport.'

Texts for Consultation:

1. Theodor Adorno: *The Culture Industry: Selected Essays on Mass Culture* (ed., with intro.), J.M. Bernstein. London: Routledge (1991)

2. Elaine Baldwin: Introducing Cultural Studies. New York: Pearson/Prentice Hall (2004)

3. Roland Barthes: Mythologies. London: Paladin (1973)

4. Catherine Belsey: *Culture and the Real: Theorizing Cultural Criticism* London; New York: Routledge (2005)

5. Walter Benjamin, W.: Illuminations. New York: Schocken Books (1968)

6. Tony Bennett, L. Grossberg: *New Keywords: A Revised Vocabulary of Culture and Society*. Blackwell (2005)

7. Tony Bennett: Outside Literature. London: Routledge (1990)

8. Pierre Bourdieu: The Field of Cultural Production. Cambridge: Polity Press (1993)

9. Simon During (ed.): *The Cultural Studies Reader*. London: Routledge (1993)

10. Simon During: *Cultural Studies: A Critical Introduction*. London; New York: Routledge (2005)

11. Antony Easthope: Literary into Cultural Studies. London: Routledge (1991)

12. Antony Easthope: A Critical and Cultural Theory Reader. Open University Press (1992)

13. John Fiske: Understanding Popular Culture. Boston, MA: Unwin Hyman (1989)

14. Toby Miller (ed): A Companion to Cultural Studies. Blackwell (2001)

15. Nelson, Cary and Dilip Parameshwar Gaonkar (eds.): *Disciplinarity and Dissent in Cultural Studies*. New York: Routledge, 1996.

16. Johan Huizinga: Homo Ludens

Semester 4 - Core Course 17: [EN010402]-Postcolonial Poetry

Total Credits: 3 Total Hours: 25 Weightage:

Objectives:

To introduce the students to the diversity poetry coming from the erstwhile colonies of the European Colonial Empires. To clear the ground from where the student can see how, beyond the general discursive constellations, there are regional specifics that 'in a hybrid mode' negotiate issues of sovereignty, language, race, gender, identity and place.

Course Description:

"Here we stand at the messiest point of our time // someone should write us, if we don't / who will." - Gülten Akın (2007).

The course attempts to cover, through representative texts, the entire gamut of poetrythat has emerged from and still addresses the (post)colonial experience, the world over.

Module 1 is a conceptual orientation; it tries to situate, in a somewhat general way, certain contours that 'Poetic Postcolonialisms' assume.

Module 2 is a collection of poems that are South Asia & Australasia-specific.

Module 3 is a choice take on West & East Asia.

Module 4 is solely representative of poems from Africa.

Module 5 brings together myriad yet 'intertwined' verses from South America & Caribbean. **Special Note**: A detailed delving into the poems is not expected vis-à-vis the Seminar Fields. Questions pertaining to these sections will be Generic: issues like Identity, Gender, Cultural Poetics and Language Politics.

Module 1[Poetic Postcolonialisms]:

- **1.1**Jahan Ramazani: "Contemporary Postcolonial Poetry" in Neil Roberts (ed): A Companion to Twentieth-Century Poetry, Blackwell Publishing, 2007
- **1.2**Sudipta Kaviraj: "A Strange Love of the Land: Identity, Poetry and Politics in the (Un)Making of South Asia."

Module 2[South Asia & Australasia]:

- 2.1 India: Kamala Das: "Someone Else's Song" & Agha Shahid Ali: "I See Kashmir From New Delhi at Midnight"
- 2.2 Pakistan: Faiz Ahmad Faiz: "Black Out" & Kishwar Naheed: "We Sinful Women"
- 2.3 Sri Lanka: Yasmine Gooneratne: "There was a Country" &R. Cheran: "Yaman"
- **2.4 Bangladesh**: Taslima Nasrin: "Can't I have a homeland to call my own?" &Kaiser Haq: "Ode on the Lungi"

Seminar:

- 2.5 Australia: A D Hope: "Australia" & Judith Wright: "Eve to her Daughters"
- 2.6 New Zealand: Selina Tusitala Marsh: "naming myself" & "The Young and the Restless"
- 2.7 Fiji: Konai Helu Thaman: "Living Amongst the Trees" & "Kakala Folau (a gift of love)"

Module 3[West & East Asia]:

- **3.1 Israel**: Yehuda Amichai: "National Thoughts" & Dahlia Ravikovitch: "Hovering at a Low Altitude"
- **3.2 Palestine**: Mahmoud Darwish: "The Earth is Closing on Us," & Hanan Mikha'il 'Ashrawi : "*From* TheDiary of an Almost-Four-Year-Old"

3.3 Iran: Forugh Farrokhzad: "I Will Greet the Sun Again" *& Simin Behbahani: "And Behold"* **3.4 Turkey**: Orhan Veli: "For Free" *&*Gülten Akın: "Woman's Song"

Seminar:

- **3.5 Philippines**: Cirilo F. Bautista: "Written in Stratford-Upon-Avon"&Marjorie Evasco: "Caravan of the Waterbearers"
- **3.6 Singapore**: Arthur Yap: "The Correctness of Flavour" & Lee Tzu Pheng: "Singapore River"
- 3.7 Hong Kong: Nicholas YB Yong: "Toys 'R' Us" & Tammy Ho Lai-ming: "Leftovers"

Module 4[Africa]:

- 4.1 Nigeria: Chinua Achebe: "Vultures" & Mabel Segun: "The Pigeon-Hole"
- 4.2 Egypt: Iman Mersal: "Sometimes Wisdom Possesses Me" & Fatima Naoot: "Blind"
- 4.3 Mozambique: Noémia de Sousa: "Black Blood" & Ana Mafalda Leite: "Liquid Frontier"
- 4.4 Algeria: Muhammad Dib: "Guardian Show" & Djamal Amrani: "Beneath a Pile of Rubble"

Seminar:

- 4.5 South Africa: Dennis Brutus: "A poem about Sharpeville" & Antjie Krog: "Country of Grief and Grace"
- 4.6 Kenya: Shailja Patel: "Shilling Love" & Micere Githae Mugo: "I Want You To Know"
- 4.7 Ghana: Kofi Awoonor: "The Weaver Bird" & Ama Ata Aidoo: "For My Mother in Her Mid-90s"

Module 5[South America & Caribbean]:

- 5.1 Argentina: Jorge Luis Borges: "Borges and I" & Alfonsina Storni: "They've Come"
- 5.2 Brazil: Olavo Bilac: "Milky Way: Sonnet 13" & Hilda Hilst: "Poems for the Men of Our Time,"
- **5.3 Uruguay**: Mario Benedetti: "Little Stones at My Window" & Selva Casal: "the last angels of the evening."
- 5.4 Chile: Pablo Neruda: "The Poet" & Gabriela Mistral: "To See Him Again"

Seminar:

5.5Columbia: José Asunción Silva: "Sonnet"

5.6Saint Lucia: Dereck Walcott: "The Lost Empire"

5.7Guyana: John Agard: "Prospero Caliban Cricket"

5.8 Barbados: Edward Kamau Brathwaite: "Bread"

5.9Trinidad and Tobago: Surya Vahni Priya Capildeo: "I Love You"

5.10Jamaica: Louise Bennett: "Colonisation in Reverse"

Specific Additional Readings:

1. Anna Bernard: "Poetry, Translation, and Postcolonial Criticism..."

2. Muneeza Shamsie: South Asian Muslims: Fiction and Poetry in English, *Religion & Literature* Vol. 43, No. 1 (spring 2011), pp. 149-157

3. Priya Satia: Poets of Partition, Tangeed: A magazine of politics and culture, Jan 2016

4. Omer Tarin, Ilyas Khan, and K. Majied: Pakistani English Literature – A Brief

Introduction, 1947 to the Present, Prachya Review, Dec 30, 2015

5. Kaiser Haq: An Apology for Bangladeshi poetry in English

6. Mohammad Ali Ghazalsofli: A Political Review of Iranian Contemporary Poetry

7. Bulend Ecevit: Poetry in Turkey - A Nation's Most Popular Art

8. Müesser Yeniay: Turkish Women's Poetry: Ottoman to Contemporary

9. J. Neil C. Garcia: Postcolonialism and Filipino Poetics

10. Barbara Jane Reyes: Filipina Lives and Voices in Literature

11. Cyril Wong: An interview

12. Irving Goh: Promising 'Post-Colonialism': Deleuze-Guattari's 'Minor Literature' and the Poetry of Arthur Yap

13. Thow Xin Wei: Arthur Yap: Uniquely Singaporean

14. Odimegwu Onwumere: The Evolution of Nigerian Poetry

15. Mick Delap: Nigerian Poetry – Black Star or Black Hole?

16. Gemma Robinson: "Postcolonial Poetry of Great Britain: a poetics of contradictory affinity."

17. Ngugi Wa Thiongo: 'The Quest for Relevance' in Decolonising the Mind

Texts for Consultation:

1. Neil Roberts (ed): A Companion to Twentieth-Century Poetry, Blackwell Publishing, 2007

2. Rajeev S. Patke: Postcolonial Poetry in English, Oxford University Press, 2006

3. Ashok Bery: Cultural Translation and Postcolonial Poetry, Palgrave Macmillan, 2007.

4. Jahan Ramazani (ed): *The Cambridge Companion to Postcolonial Poetry*, Cambridge University Press, 2017

5. Jahan Ramazani: The Hybrid Muse: Postcolonial Poetry in English, University of Chicago Press, 2001

6. Robert Stilling: *Beginning at the End: Decadence, Modernism, and Postcolonial Poetry*, Harvard University Press, 2018

7. Ato Quayson (ed): *The Cambridge History of Postcolonial Literature: Volume 1*, Cambridge University Press, 2012

ELECTIVES

CLUSTER 2

21. Trauma Narratives and Memory [EN810401]

22. The Island in Literature [EN810402]

23. Literature and Film [EN810403]

Semester 4 - Elective Course: [EN810401]-Trauma Narratives and Memory

Total Credits: 3 Total Hours: 25 Weightage:

Objectives:

This paper will examine a range of 'texts' from the critical perspective of trauma theory; this domain is relatively recent field which touches upon narrative, historical, theoretical, psychoanalytic and aesthetic categories.

Course Description:

This course attempts a familiarization of the interface between narratives, trauma and memory. *Module 1* is a conceptual orientation; it tries to situate, in a somewhat general way, the issue of 'the uncanny' through the readings of Ernst Jentsch, Sigmund Freud, Colin Davis, and Cathy Caruth. Inevitably E. T. A. Hoffman's story 'The Sandman' also gets a slot.

Module 2 is a 'one-of-a-kind' list that showcases 'Graphic literature'; it is felt that such a selection will highlight the issue of newer modes of representation that surpasses what is usually discussed under the rubric of 'literary representation', especially with regard to traumatic and uncanny events -Marjane Satrapi, Art Spiegelman, Kate Evans, and Malik Sajad take us through a route which is anything but 'comic.'

Module 3 is all about prose fiction; Elisabeth M. Loevlie, Anne Whitehead, Catalina Botez, W. G. Sebald, Toni Morrison, andCaryl Philips bring together myriad fictional and academic attempts at contextualizing the issue of trauma.

Module 4 is brings together the works of Ariel Dorfman, Sara Kane, and Joshua Sobol; all these texts are 'instances of theatre' tackling trauma.

Module 5 is the domain of cinema. The works/readings of Cathy Caruth, Shohini Chaudhuri, Paulo De Medeiros, Alain Resnais, Alfonso Cuaron, Margarida Cardoso, and Teresa Prata reveal the dogged cinematic determination that is evident when cinema 'cans' the uncanny and the traumatic.

Module 1[Uncanny]:

1.1 E. T. A. Hoffman: 'The Sandman'

1.2Ernst Jentsch: 'On the Psychology of the Uncanny.'

1.3Sigmund Freud: 'The Uncanny'

1.4 Cathy Caruth: 'Traumatic Awakenings (Freud, Lacan and the Ethics of Memory)' in *Unclaimed Experience: Trauma, Narrative, and History*. (The Johns Hopkins University Press, 1996)

1.5 Colin Davis: 'Hauntology, Spectres and Phantoms'

Module 2[Graphic Novels]:

2.1 Marjane Satrapi: The Complete Persepolis (2007)

2.2Malik Sajad: *Munnu: A Boy From Kashmir* (2015)
Seminar:
2.3Kate Evans: *Red Rosa: A Graphic Biography of Rosa Luxemburg* (2015)
2.4 Art Spiegelman: *The Complete Maus* (1973; 1986)

Module 3[Fiction]:

3.1 Elisabeth M. Loevlie: 'Faith in the Ghosts of Literature. Poetic Hauntology in Derrida, Blanchot and Morrison's *Beloved*'.

3.2Anne Whitehead: 'Othello in the Ghetto: Trauma and Intertextuality in Caryl Philip's *The Nature of Blood*'in *Trauma Fiction* (Edinburgh University Press, 2016)

3.3 Catalina Botez: 'Trauma Obscura Revealed: Revisiting Loss in W. G. Sebald's *Austerlitz*' **Seminar**:

3.4 W.G. Sebald: *Austerlitz***3.5** Toni Morrison: *Beloved***3.6**Caryl Philips: *The Nature of Blood*

Module 4[Drama]:

4.1 Ariel Dorfman: *Death and the Maiden* (1990)
4.2 Sara Kane: *4.48 Psychosis* (2000)
Seminar:
4.3 Joshua Sobol: *Ghetto* (1984)

Module 5[Cinema]:

5.1 Cathy Caruth: 'Literature and the enactment of Memory (Dura, Resnais, *Hiroshima mon amour*)' in *Unclaimed Experience: Trauma, Narrative, and History*. (The Johns Hopkins University Press, 1996)

5.2 Shohini Chaudhuri: 'Unpeople: postcolonial reflections on terror, torture and detention in *Children of Men*' in Sandra Ponzanesi & Marguerite Waller (eds), *Postcolonial Cinema Studies* (Routledge, 2012)

5.3 Paulo De Medeiros: 'Spectral postcoloniality: lusophone postcolonial film and the imaginary of the nation' in Sandra Ponzanesi & Marguerite Waller (eds), *Postcolonial Cinema Studies* (Routledge, 2012)

Seminar:

5.4Hiroshima mon amour (Alain Resnais, 1959)

5.5*Children of Men* (Alfonso Cuaron, 2006)

5.6The Murmuring Coast (Margarida Cardoso, 2004), Sleepwalking Land (Teresa Prata, 2007)

Specific Additional Readings/Viewings:

0. *Testamento* (Francisco Manso, 1997), *Angola, Saudades from the One who Loves You* (Richard Pakleppa, 2005)

1. Jacques Derrida: "The Double Session", in Dissemination, London, 1981

- 2. Jacques Derrida: Spectres of Marx,
- 3. Michelle Balaev: 'Literary Trauma Theory Reconsidered'
- 4. Judit Pieldner: 'The Topography of Memory in W. G. Sebald's Austerlitz'
- 5. Catalina Botez: 'Exploring the Edge of Trauma in W. G. Sebald's novel Austerlitz'
- **6**. Sara Soncini: "A horror so deep only ritual can contain it": The art of dying in the theatre of Sarah Kane'
- 7. Carolina Sanches on Sara Kane
- 8. Ivo Cermac on Sara Kane
- 9. David Luban: On Dorfman's Death and the Maiden,
- 10. David Schroeder: Dorfman, Schubert, and Death and the Maiden,
- 11. Alan Bern on Joshua Sobol's Ghetto
- 12. Notes on Marjan Satrapi's Persepolis
- **13**. Art Spiegelman Teachers Guide
- 14. Michael Cromer: Getting Graphic with the Past: Graphic Novels and the Teaching of History
- 15. Sohini Kumar Study on Munnu...
- 16. Astrid Erll on Trauma and Media Memory Studies
- 17. Jacques Lacan: "The Symbolic Order" (Rivkin and Ryan)
- 18. Slavoj Zizek: Mapping Ideology

Texts for Consultation:

- 1. Roger Luckhurst: The Trauma Question, London: Routledge, 2008
- **2**. Geoffrey Hartman (ed.): *Holocaust Remembrance: The Shapes of Memory*, Oxford: Blackwell, 1994)
- **3**. Shoshana Felman and Dori Laub: *Testimony: Crises of Witnessing in Literature, psychoanalysis, and history.*
- **4**. Lawrence Langer: *Holocaust Testimonies: The Ruins of Memory*, New Haven; London: Yale University Press, 1991.
- 5. Robert Antelme: The Human Race (1947)
- 6. Charlotte Delbo: None of us will Return (1965)
- 7. Primo Levi: If this is a Man; and The Truce (1958)
- **8**. Theodor Adorno: 'Commitment' 1962 in *The Essential Frankfurt School Reader*, New York: Urizen Books, 1978
- **9**. Theodor W. Adorno: 'After Auschwitz' [1966] in *Negative Dialectics*, trans. E. B. Ashton Routledge, 1973.
- **10**. Hannah Arendt: *Eichmann in Jerusalem: a Report on the Banality of Evil*, New York, N.Y. : Penguin Books, 2006
- **11**. Shoshana Felman: *The Juridical Unconscious: Trials and Traumas in the Twentieth Century*, Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 2002.

Semester 4 - Elective Course: [EN810402] -The Island in Literature

Total Credits: 3 Total Hours: 25 Weightage:

Objectives: This course aims at introducing students to select instances of how 'islands' have been portrayed as symbols, metaphors, motifs and themes in literature. Broadly, the intended focus will be on how these portrayals have been understood, situated and subsequently discussed in relation to contemporary theories, especially post-colonial, and self-refexive perspectives.

Course Description: The course has 5 modules.

Module 1 provides a broad framework within which one can discern the whole notion of 'literary islands.' The essays by Stephanos Stephanides/Susan Bassnett, Ashleigh Harris and Ioana Andreescu chart out the domain of the subsequent discussions.

Module 2 brings together three authors who 'rewrite', 'negotiate' the canonical Island Narrative *Robinson Crusoe*: J. M. Coetzee, Michel Tournier and Derek Walcott.

Module 3 is a constellation of the reworkings of William Shakespeare's *The Tempest*: The works by Marina Warner, Jamaica Kincaid and David Malouf are undergirded by both postcolonial and island-geographic cultural concerns.

Module 4 is a select 'deep focus' on the ways in which 'Europe' has created the 'island-asmetaphor'. The political and semiotic layers of this endeavor are reflected in the works of D H Lawrence, Jose Saramago and Joseph Conrad.

Module 5 puts forth a selection that has 'meta-ramifications'; the works of Adolfo Bioy Casares, Umberto Eco and John Fowles all retain an onus on self-reflexivity with regard to the literary notion of 'the island.'

Module 1[Frameworks]:

1.1Stephanos Stephanides and Susan Bassnett: 'Islands, Literature, and Cultural Translatability.'
1.2Ashleigh Harris: "The island is not a story in itself": apartheid's world literature.'
1.3 Ioana Andreescu: 'Narratives of the Literary Island: European Poetics of the Social System after 1945.'

Module 2[Robinson Crusoe]:

2.1 J. M. Coetzee: *Foe* [novel]
2.2Michel Tournier: *Friday, or, the Other Island* [novel]
Seminar:
2.3Derek Walcott: *Pantomime* [play]

Module 3[The Tempest]:

3.1 Marina Warner: *Indigo* [novel]
3.2Jamaica Kincaid: *Annie John* [novel]
Seminar:
3.3David Malouf: *Blood Relations* [play]

Module 4[Europe]:

4.1D H Lawrence: *The Man Who Loved Islands* [short story]

4.2 Jose Saramago: *The Tale of the Unknown Island* [short story]

Seminar:

4.3 Joseph Conrad: Victory: an Island Tale [novel]

Module 5[Self-reflexive]:

5.1 Adolfo Bioy Casares: *The Invention of Morel* [novel]
5.2 Umberto Eco: *The Island of the Day Before* [novel]
Seminar:
5.3 John Fowles: *The Magus* [novel]

Specific Additional Readings:

1. David Schalkwyk: Hamlet's Dreams: The Robben Island Shakespeare

- 2. Christopher Landrum: 'Robinson Crusoe Metaphors'
- 3. Donata van der Rassel: 'What is left behind The role of Friday in J.M. Coetzee's Foe'

4. Susan Naramore Maher: 'Confronting Authority: J.M. Coetzee's *Foe* and the Remaking of *Robinson Crusoe*'

5. A. Effe: 'Coetzee and the Ethics of Narrative Transgression: Foe'

- 6. Sandra Beckett: 'Michel Tournier's Friday'
- 7. Ioana Andreescu: 'Postwar Rewritings of Robinson Crusoe as an Act of Collective Memory'
- **8**. Rick Dolphijn: 'Undercurrents and the Desert(ed): Negarestani, Tournier and Deleuze Map the Polytics of a 'New Earth''

9. Megan K Ahern: 'Mimicry as Bourdieuian Heterodoxy in Walcott's Pantomime'

10. Giselle A Rampaul: 'Carnivalesque Reversals in Derek Walcott's Pantomime'

11. Xiana Vázquez Bouzó : 'Overview of postcolonial re-writings from Tempest to Indigo'

12. Sofia Munoz: 'Double Erasure in *Tempest* – Miranda'

13. Erin M. Presley: 'Understanding Sycorax's Island in Marina Warner's Indigo'

14. Candice A. Pitts: 'Challenges to Nationhood in Kincaid's Annie John'

15. Rebecca Ashworth: "Writing Gender, Re-Writing Nation: Wide Sargasso Sea, Annie John,

Jane and Louisa Will Soon Come Home and Myal"

16. Chinmoy Banerjee: 'Postcolonial Self-Fashioning in Annie John'

17. James Marland: 'David Malouf, Blood Relations and The Tempest'

18. Helen Gilbert: 'Topographies of the Body in the Writings of David Malouf'

19. Stefania Michelucci: 'D. H. Lawrence's Islands'

20. Johannes Riquet: 'D. H. Lawrence's Island Imaginaries'

21. Braudel papers: 'on Saramago's Unknown Island'

- 22. Hania Nashef: 'on Jose Saramago'
- 23. Robert Hampson: 'Silence and Secrets in Joseph Conrad's Victory'
- 24. George A. Panichas: 'Moral Warfare in Joseph Conrad's Victory'
- 25. Matt Bernico: 'on Adolfo Bioy Casares' novel The Invention of Morel'

- 26. Virgilio Fernandes Almeida: 'on Adolfo Bioy Casares' novel The Invention of Morel'
- 27. Krešimir Purgar: 'on Umberto Eco's Island of the Day Before'
- 28. Rama Kundu: 'on Umberto Eco's Island of the Day Before'
- 29. Barbara Hussey: 'on John Fowles's The Magus'
- 30. Aleks Matosoglu: 'on John Fowles's The Magus'
- 31. Daniel Graziadei: 'Island metapoetics and beyond: introducing island poetics'

Texts for Consultation:

- 1. Michel Houellebecq: The Possibility of an Island
- 2. Sarah Murphy: The Measure of Miranda
- 3. Michelle Cliff: No Telephone to Heaven
- 4. Gilles Deleuze: Desert Islands
- 5. Peter Abrahams's This Island Now
- 6. Michael Gilkes: Prospero's Island
- 7. Athol Fugard, John Kani and Winston Ntshona: The Island
- 8. Daniel Defoe: Robinson Crusoe. Ed. John J Richetti. Penguin.
- 9. John R Gillis: Islands of the Mind: How the Human Imagination Created the
- Atlantic World. Palgrave Macmillan.
- 10. William Shakespeare: The Tempest. Ed. Stephen Orgel. Oxford University Press.
- 11. Elizabeth McMahon: Islands, Identity and the Literary Imagination, Anthem Studies in
- Australian Literature and Culture

Total Credits: 3 Total Hours: 25 Weightage:

Objectives:

Cinema and Literature are connected /related to each other but still they are different in their own ways. This love-hate interface is amply embodied in the terrain of 'Adaptation' – of Literature into Film. This domain has always been one of the most fascinating forms of knowledge which has made great impact on human psyche. This course seeks to familiarise students with the nitty-gritty of Film Adaptations of Literature and the concomitant theoretical discussions.

Course Description:

Apart from the 3 introductory readings of *Module 1*, the course is schematized to represent film adaptations of literature in the following domains: Epic/Myth (*Module 2*), Theatre (*Module 3*), and Novel (*Module 4*). The last module (*Module 5*) is customized to accommodate film adaptations from Kerala.

Special Note 1: *Module 3* merits a specific mention. In many ways, it is Shakespeare who is the point of discussion: 3 Hamlet-films, 3 Macbeth-films and 2 Othello-films. **Also,donote** that the questions will not only be oriented in accordance with the 'accompanying reading', but it will also include 'comparative' analysis, especially with reference to the so-called 'original' Shakespearean texts.

Special Note 2: Questions on the films included in the Seminar Fields will be derivative of the films in the main sections of the respective modules.

Module 1[Film (as) Adaptation]:

1.1Robert Stam: 'Beyond Fidelity: The Dialogics of Adaptation'
1.2Brian McFarlane: *Novel to Film: An Introduction to the Theory of Adaptation*;
Part I - Backgrounds, Issues, and a New Agenda
1.3Lindiwe Dovey: 'Towards an Art of Adaptation: Film and the New Criticism-as-Creation.'

Module 2[Epic/Myth]:

2.1The Godfather [Francis Ford Coppola, 1972] /
Nick Browne: 'Fearful A-Symmetries: Violence as History in the Godfather Films.'
2.2Troy [Wolfgang Petersen, 2004] /
Ruby Blondell: 'Third cheerleader from the left': fromHomer's Helen to Helen of Troy.'
2.3Beowulf [Robert Zemeckis, 2007] /
Eleanor Grigg: 'Beowulf, the film.'
Seminar:
2.4Mother India [Mehboob Khan, 1957] /
Vijay Mishra: 'The Texts of Mother India'
2.5Raavan (Hindi) / Ravanan (Tamil) [Mani Ratnam, 2010] /
Amit Basole: 'Subverting Our Epics: Mani Ratnam's Retelling of the Ramayana.'

Module 3[Theatre]:

3.1*Hamlet* [Michael Almereyda, 2000] / *Hamlet* [Franco Zeffirelli, 1990] / - Elsie Walker: 'A "Harsh World" of Soundbite Shakespeare:Michael Almereyda's *Hamlet*.'

3.2Throne of Blood [Akira Kurosawa, 1957] /Macbeth [Justin Kurzel, 2015]

- Dolores P. Martinez: 'From 'Scottish' Play to Japanese Film: Kurosawa's Throne of Blood.'

- Louise D'Arcens: 'Feeling Medieval: Mood and Transhistorical Empathy in Justin Kurzel's *Macbeth.*'

3.3Jarum Halus [Mark Tan, 2008] / O [Tim Blake Nelson, 2001] / Othello

- Su Mei Kok: 'Malaysian Moors: Ethnicity, Speech, and Identity in JarumHalus.'

- Brittany Rowland: '*Othello* and Tim Blake Nelson's 'O': Shakespearean Violence in High School.'

Seminar:

3.4Haider [Vishal Bhardwaj, 2014] /

- Brian Walsh: 'Resisting Hamlet: Revenge and Nonviolent Struggle in Vishal

Bhardwaj's Haider'

3.5Kaliyattom [Jayaraaj, 1997] /

- Sujata Iyengar: 'Beds, Handkerchiefs, and Moving Objects in Othello'

Module 4[Novel]:

4.1Les Misérables [Claude Lelouch. 1995] /

- Walter C. Metz: 'From Jean-Paul Belmondo to Stan Brakhage: Romanticism and Intertextuality in *Irma Vep* and *Les Misérables*'

4.2 Great Expectations [Alfonso Cuarón, 1998] /

- Steve Vineberg: 'Alfonso Cuarón's Great Expectations'

4.3The Colour Purple [Steven Spielberg, 1985] /

- Maria Fas: 'The Walker-Spielberg Tandemand Lesbianism in *The Color Purple*:"[Spielberg] Don't Like It Dirty"

Seminar:

4.4Pather Panchali [Satyajit Ray, 1955] /

-C. G. Shyamala:'A Deconstructive Reading of Satyajit Ray's Pather Panchali.'

4.5Umrao Jaan [Muzaffar Ali, 1981] /

- Ayesha Arfeen: 'The Institution of Kotha: A Case Study of Tawaif-Centered Films.'

Module 5[Malayali Resonances]:

5.1Chemmeen[Ramu Kariat, 1965] /
Mini Chandran: 'Not Lost in Translation:Chemmeen on Alien Shores.'
5.2Mathilukal [Adoor, 1990] /
Krishnakumari M. P.: 'Basheer/Adoor: The Voice Beyond the Wall.'
5.3Mazha[Lenin Rajendran, 2000] /
C. S. Venkiteswaran: 'Mazha: From Story to Film.'
Seminar:
5.4Nirmalyam [M. T., 1973] /

- Meena T. Pillai: 'From *Pallivallum Kalchilambum* to *Nirmalyam*: Resurrecting the 'Word' and the 'World'.

5.5Kanchanaseetha [Aravindan, 1977] /

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