

## Course Specification for Introduction to English Literature

<b>College</b>	Zulfi College of Education		
<b>Department</b>	English Language Department		
<b>Course Name:</b>	Introduction to English Literature	<b>Course Code</b>	ENG225
<b>Level</b>	4	<b>Credit Hours</b>	3. hrs.
<b>Course Objective</b>	<p>Being the only literature course in the whole syllabus, it attempts to provide students with:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A brief, but comprehensive survey of the major literary movements/ages of English literature.</li> <li>2. To provide students with a general historical survey of English literature (by summarizing the key features of literary ages/eras: Classical/Anglo-Saxon – Mediaeval (Chaucer) - Renaissance/Shakespearian- Romantic- Victorian- Modern- Post-modern Periods.</li> <li>3. To expand language awareness by examining sophisticated or non-standard examples of language, which make students more aware of the norms of language use.</li> </ol>		
<b>Course Content</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What is Literature / Importance of literature/ Different genres of literature /Brief introduction to History of English literature</li> <li>2. Poetry-Types of stanza, Poetry (Ballad, Elegy, Ode, Sonnet, Lyric, Haiku, Diamante, Quatrain, Epic, Free verse Poetry)• Poets and poems/ Selected poems from different ages of literature.</li> <li>3. Drama-history of drama, Aristotle's rules of ancient drama, tragedy, comedy, melodrama, tragicomedy. •Element of Drama-protagonist, Dialogue, monologue, soliloquy, antagonist, internal and external conflict, chorus. •Dramatists-Shakespeare, Congreve, Bernard Shaw,</li> <li>4. Prose-Non-Fiction (Biographies, autobiographies, informational) •Fiction-Short story-(important elements-character, setting, plot, theme and conflict).Novel- Science fiction, Adventure, Mystery, Fantasy, legend, picaresque. Novelists, Charles Dickens, Jane Austen, Charlotte Bronte, Thomas Hardy, Jane Eyre</li> <li>5. Reading literature: poems, excerpts from drama, novel and prose.</li> <li>6. Brief introduction to literary criticism.</li> </ol>		
<b>Required Textbook</b>	1. G C Thornley and Gwyneth Roberts (n. d) An Outline of English Literature.		
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