

Faculties of Humanities and Theology

LIVR23, LCM: English Literature, 15 credits

Litteratur-kultur-medier: Engelskspråkig litteratur, 15 högskolepoäng Second Cycle / Avancerad nivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by the programmes director by delegation from the prodean for first- and second-cycle studies on 2008-01-22 to be valid from 2008-01-22, autumn semester 2008.

General Information

The course is included in the Master of Arts programme in Literature – Culture – Media with a specialisation in English Literature. It is also offered as a single course and can normally be included as part of a general degree at the undergraduate or graduate levels. With the approval of the relevant authenticating body, it can also be included in certain professional degrees.

Language of instruction: English

Main field of studies Depth of study relative to the degree

requirements

Literature-Culture-Media A1N, Second cycle, has only first-cycle

course/s as entry requirements

Learning outcomes

On completion of the course the student shall

Knowledge and understanding

- be able to demonstrate sound knowledge of the history of literature in English
- be able to give an account of the characteristics and qualities of various eras and genres and be able to illustrate them with references to well-known works
- be able to demonstrate a sound ability to analyse and interpret literary texts
- be familiar with a selection of classic works from various periods and be able to give examples of how these works are understood and treated by scholars representing different research orientations.

Competence and skills

- be able to apply basic terminology of literary studies correctly during autonomous close reading of texts
- be able to describe the connection between a literary work and its historical context in an illustrative manner
- be able to demonstrate how early literature has recently become relevant again and discuss under which conditions this has occurred
- be able to give an account of one or more interrelated phenomena/on in a literary text in a short written assignment written in carefully composed and correct English prose.

Judgement and approach

- demonstrate increased knowledge of how works of literature and of literary scholarship have affected the existential condition of humanity
- be able to discuss works of literature and of literary scholarship with reference to the conditions in which they were produced.

Course content

The course consists of a study of a selection of English literary works taken from the period from the Renaissance to the present day. These works are selected to ensure that a range of genres and themes are represented so as to provide the student with a basis on which to apply various literary approaches. Both terminology used in literary studies and perspectives from both early and recent literary scholarship are applied during the discussion of literary texts. Such perspectives are introduced by scholarly articles and similar reading material which is studied alongside the literary texts. Students develop their ability to analyse texts with regard to both literature and literary scholarship in the context of seminar discussions. They also learn to argue their viewpoints, understand the connection between text and context, and reflect on the importance of literary studies for the survival of literature both at academic and non-academic levels.

Course design

Teaching takes place in seminar form.

Assessment

Examination takes the form of a written invigilated examination and five short submitted assignments .

Subcourses that are part of this course can be found in an appendix at the end of this document.

Grades

Marking scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction.

Entry requirements

To be eligible for the course requires 90 higher education credits in English, or the equivalent.

Further information

1. The credits allocated for course content that in whole or in part is commensurate with another course can only be credited once for a degree. For further details see the current registration information and other relevant documentation.

Subcourses in LIVR23, LCM: English Literature

Applies from H07

0701 LCM: English Literature, 15,0 hp Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction