



UNIVERSITI TEKNOLOGI MARA

TSL571: CONTEMPORARY LITERATURE

Course Name (English)	CONTEMPORARY LITERATURE APPROVED
Course Code	TSL571
MQF Credit	3
Course Description	This course aims to develop students' awareness of the language in operation through the different selected types of genres in contemporary literature. Students will be introduced to a wide variety of contemporary literary texts written not only by British and American writers, but also various writers from different parts of the world such as Asia and Africa. This will expose the students to a whole range of issues faced by different societies during the contemporary or modern era. Another importance about this course is that students are expected to articulate their understanding and appreciation of selected modern novels, short stories and poetry, not only through written work, but also through verbal discussions and presentations. Students are also encouraged to analyze and then to discuss and write on these texts beyond the simple and obvious level to one involving applications at a more universal level.
Transferable Skills	critical thinking presentation skills
Teaching Methodologies	Lectures, Case Study, Reading Into Writing Task, Reading Activity, Discussion, Presentation, Debates, Self-directed Learning
CLO	CLO1 analyse the various literary techniques used in contemporary literature CLO2 differentiate the features and characteristics of contemporary literary texts CLO3 interpret themes and issues of contemporary literary texts from different countries CLO4 critically assess new knowledge of other societies and cultures highlighted in contemporary literary texts
Pre-Requisite Courses	No course recommendations
Topics	
1. Introduction to Contemporary Literature 1.1) Defining Contemporary Literature 1.2) Current issues and approaches in Contemporary Literature	
2. Contemporary Poetry 2.1) Discovering and responding to contemporary poems	
3. Contemporary Short Story 3.1) Discovering and responding to contemporary	
4. Contemporary Novel 4.1) Discovering and responding to contemporary novels	

Assessment Breakdown		%	
Continuous Assessment		100.00%	

Details of Continuous Assessment	Assessment Type	Assessment Description	% of Total Mark	CLO
	Assignment	Written Assignment - Short Story	30%	CLO3
	Final Test	Assesment covers all three genres.	30%	CLO4
	Group Project	Group Presentation - Novel	30%	CLO2
	Online Quiz	Online quiz - Poetry	10%	CLO1

Reading List	Reference Book Resources
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Padley, S. , <i>Key Concepts in Contemporary Literature</i>, Ed., , Hampshire: Palgrave Macmillan. [ISBN:] • Walder, D. 1990, <i>Literature in the Modern World.</i> , Ed., , Oxford: Oxford University Press. [ISBN:] • Baldick, C. , <i>Dictionary of Literary Terms.</i> Oxford: , Ed., , Oxford University Press. [ISBN:] • Chambers, E. And Gregory, M., <i>Teaching and Learning English Literature.</i>, London. Sage Publications Inc. • Croft, S. and Cross, H. 1999, <i>Literature, Criticism, and Style.</i> Oxford: , Ed., , Oxford University Press. [ISBN:] • Drabble, M. 2000, <i>The Oxford Companion to English Literature</i>, 6 Ed., , Oxford: Oxford University Press. [ISBN:] • Eagleton, T. 1996, <i>Literary Theory: An Introduction</i> , 2 Ed., , Oxford: Blackwell Publishers. [ISBN:] • Goring, R. , <i>Chambers Dictionary of Literary Characters. E</i>, Ed., , Chambers Harrap Publishers Ltd. [ISBN:] • Kirszner, L. G. and Mandell, S. R. 2007, <i>Portable Literature.</i>, 6 Ed., Boston: Thomson Wadsworth. • Klarer, M. 2004, <i>An Introduction to Literary Studies</i> , 2 Ed., , Oxon: Routledge. [ISBN:] • McCaw, N. 2008, <i>How to Read Texts.</i> , Ed., , London: Continuum. [ISBN:] • Montgomery, M., Durant, A., Fabb, N., Furniss 2007, <i>Ways of Reading</i> , 3 Ed., , Oxford: Routledge. [ISBN:] • Muller, G. H. and Wiener, H. S. 2009, <i>The Short Prose Reader.</i> , Ed., , New York: McGraw- Hill. [ISBN:] • Sven P. Birkerts 1996, <i>Literature</i>, Allyn and Bacon Boston [ISBN: 0205175155] • Kelley Griffith, Jr 1990, <i>Writing essays about literature</i>, Harcourt Brace Jovanovich San Diego, Calif. [ISBN: 0155978632] • Quayum, M. A. and Wicks, P. C. 2001, <i>Malaysian Literature in English</i>, Pearson Education Malaysia Selangor.
Article/Paper List	This Course does not have any article/paper resources
Other References	This Course does not have any other resources