

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Faculty	Arts &Languages						
Department	English Language and	NQF level	7				
Course Title	Shakespeare	Code	102461	Prerequisite	An Introduction to English Literature		
Credit Hours	3СН	Theory √		Practical			
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Lecture time	Sunday& Thursday 11:30-13:00	Classroom	C302				
Semester	First 2024	Productio n	20/06/20 22	Updated	03\10\2024		
Type of Teaching	☐ Face-to-Face ☐ B	lended√ [Online	Attendance	Fulltime		

Short Description

This course will give an overview of the development of drama and theatre from the classical to Elizabethan and get the students acquainted with the Renaissance-medieval background/Elizabethan Theatres/Shakespeare's background.

It also introduces the students to Shakespeare, his life, education, social life, major works, his contribution to drama, and the kinds of plays/Background of drama as genre/Influences on Shakespeare that added to his genius.

(Hamlet) as a representative Shakespearian play will be explored in depth in addition to selective sonnets of his.

Course Objectives

- 1. Read Shakespeare's play.
- 2. Discuss the characteristics of drama as a literary genre as well as a theatrical event.
- 3. Discuss Elizabethan concepts and the age of the Renaissance
- 4. Analyze the language, techniques, characters, and themes of a

Shakespearean comedies and tragedies.

- 5. Deliver oral presentations about the age, the playwright, or the genre.
- 6. Write essays about the assigned plays.

Learning Outcomes							
Knowledge - Theoretical Understanding (a) (K)							
A1. Define the characteristics of drama as a literary genre. (K1) A.2. Trace the broad developments of Theatre and drama from the Greek period to the Elizabethan. (K2) A.3. Explain the reasons behind the rebirth of theatre. (K3)							
A.4. Demonstrate a capacity for a close critical studying of Shakespeare's works. (K4) A. 5. Demonstrates knowledge of Shakespeare and how his literary works reflect his age. (K5)							
Knowledge - Practical Application (a) (K)							
A.3. Identify the characteristics of Elizabethan-Shakespearian Drama. (K3)							
Skills - Generic Problem Solving and Analytical Skills (b)	(S)						
b1. Analyze Shakespearian plays according to the five elements of Drama. (S1) b2. Analyze selected Shakespearian sonnets. (S2)							
Skills - Communication, ICT, and Numeracy (b)	(S)						
B.2. Use of electronic journals, periodicals, and internet websites for more about Shakespeare and the Renaissance. (S2).B.3. Communicate clearly in writing, and respond to the texts. (S3).							
Competence: Autonomy, Responsibility, and Context (c) (C)							
c1. Create positive relationships with others. (C1)							
Teaching and Learning Methods							
□ √Face to Face Lectures □ Brainstorming √ □ √Synchronous remote □ √Asynchronous remote □ Using Video □ √Discussions □ Research Project □ Case Study □ Field visit Problem-solving							
Assessment Methods							
☐ Formative Assessment ☐ Quiz ☐ Lab Exam ☐ Project Assessment ☐ Oral Presentation ✓ ☐ Midterm ✓	☐ Homework√ ☐ Final Exam√						

Course Contents							
Week	Н	CLOs	Topics	Teachin g & Learnin g Method s	Assessm ent Method s		
1+2+ 3+4	12	Be fully aware of Greek, Renaissanc e, and Elizabethan Drama. a.1+a2	Introduction to the course. B- Drama and Theatre C- Introduction to Shakespeare, his life, education, social life, major works, and his contribution to drama. D- Introduction to the Renaissance/ Medieval E-background/Elizabethan Theatres/Shakespeare's background/ kinds of plays/Background of drama as a genre/Influences on Shakespeare that added to his genius.	Particip ation Ask/An swer), Assign ments	Particip ation Ask/An swer), Assign ments		

5+6+ 7+8+ 9	15	Study Critically and analytically Hamlet a.1+a2	Play: Hamlet The Prince of Denmark (Extra emphasis is put on the textual analysis) plot analysis, Asides, a soliloquies. madness, misogyny, Hamlet's character, hesitation, a man of thought versus the man of action, conscience, virtue, melancholy, psychoanalysis, revenge tragedy, Claudius, Gertrude, Polonius, Ophelia. Hamlet's foils: Fortinbras and Laertes. The closet scene, (plawithin a play)	Present ations, Class discussi ons //Collab orative learning	Assign ments /Present ations /Partici pation/q uizzes/
10+1 1+12	12	Study Critically and analytically The Merchant of Venice a.1+a2+s1	Play: The Merchant of Venice (Extra emphasis is put on the textual analysis) Plot analysis/ Wealthy society (Venice)/ Importance of money/Religion and usury/Intolerance of other religions/Disguise/Friendship/ Love/Sacrifice/ Characters analysis: Shylock, Antonio, and Bassanio, The role of the clown/fool during the Elizabethan time/The theme of deceptive appearances/Value of wisdom/Adventure/The trial: Mercy versus justice and man-made law.	Lecture s, Present ations, Class discussi ons /Collab orative	Assign ments /Present ations / multipl e-choice).
13	12	Compariso n between his comedy and tragedy. 1+a2+a.3+ b.1	1-Comparison and contrast of a Shakespearean comedy and tragedy.	Lecture s, Present ations, Class discussi ons	Assign ments /Present ations /Partici pation/
14+1 5+16	9	Studyin g selected sonnets a.3+b1	Selected sonnets Revision Final Exam	Lecture s Present ations, Class discussi ons	Assign ments /Present ations /Partici pation/

	What Happens in "Hamlet" by John Dover Wilson					
Textbook	Bloom, Harold. <i>Shakespeare: The Invention of the Human</i> . New York: Riverhead Books, 1999. Bradley, A. C. <i>Shakespearean Tragedy</i> . New York: Palgrave Macmillan, reprint edition 2007.					
References	www.cambridge.org Cambridge University Press.					
Electronic materials	Wikipedia.com					
Other	Sparknotes.com.					

Course Assessment Plan

Assessment Method		Grade	CLOs						
			a1	a2	a3	b1	b 2	c1	
First (Midterm)		30%	5	5	5	5	5	5	
Second (if applicable)									
Final Exam		40%	7	7	7	5	7	7	
Coursework		30%							
Coursework assessment methods	Assignments		4		3		4	12	
	Case study								
	Discussion and interaction				3				
	Group work activities								
	Presentations							4	
Co	Quizzes								
Total		100%							

Plagiarism

Plagiarism is claiming that someone else's work is your own. The department has a strict policy regarding plagiarism and, if plagiarism is indeed discovered, this policy will be applied. Note that punishments apply also to anyone assisting another to commit plagiarism (for example by knowingly allowing someone to copy your code).

Plagiarism is different from group work in which several individuals share ideas on how to carry out the coursework. You are strongly encouraged to work in small groups, and you will certainly not be penalized for doing so. This means that you may work together on the program. What is important is that you have a full understanding of all aspects of the completed program. In order to allow proper assessment that this is indeed the case, you must adhere strictly to the coursework requirements as outlined above and detailed in the coursework problem description. These requirements are in place to encourage individual understanding, facilitate individual assessment, and deter plagiarism.