

## American Literature II

### ENGL-202

CG Section 8WK 11/08/2019 to 04/16/2020 Modified 05/17/2022

### Course Description

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A survey of American literature following the American Renaissance. Two critical papers are required.

#### Requisites

For information regarding prerequisites for this course, please refer to the [Academic Course Catalog](https://catalog.liberty.edu/) (<https://catalog.liberty.edu/>).

### Rationale

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The study of literature helps to fulfill the university aims of fostering competencies in writing, speaking, reading, and appreciation of the arts; contributing to a knowledge and understanding of other cultures and time periods; and integrating theoretical and applied knowledge within the context of a Christian worldview.

### Course Learning Outcomes

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The student will be able to:

1. Characterize each period of American Literature from post-renaissance until the present.
2. Examine the works from each period as literary products of their age.
3. Analyze works from a diversity of authors, genres, cultures, and historical periods.
4. Produce perceptive analytical essays, accurately and effectively integrating and documenting the primary text(s) (and secondary sources, if any).
5. Discuss the unique literary style(s) of authors and draw comparisons among the various authors/texts studied.
6. Evaluate the varied provenance of American literature from a biblical worldview, particularly its religious, sociopolitical, economic, cultural, and literary derivations.

#### *General Education Foundational Skills Learning Outcomes (FSLO)*

- CT 1: Determine the validity and logical consistency of claims and/or positions, using reading comprehension strategies when relevant.
- CT 2: Structure an argument or position using credible evidence and valid reasoning.
- CT 3: Compare and contrast the biblical worldview with a non-biblical worldview, evaluating the influence of assumptions and contexts on ethics and values.
- CT 4: Plan evidence-based courses of action to resolve problems.
- CT 5: Relate critical thinking and ethics to participation in God's redemptive work.

### Course Resources

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Click on the following link to view the required resource(s) for the term in which you are registered: [Liberty University Online Bookstore](https://bncvirtual.com/liberty/) (<https://bncvirtual.com/liberty/>).

**Additional Materials for Learning**

- A. Computer with basic audio/video output equipment
- B. Internet access (broadband recommended)
- C. Canvas [recommended browsers \(https://community.canvaslms.com/t5/Canvas-Basics-Guide/What-are-the-browser-and-computer-requirements-for-Canvas/ta-p/66\)](https://community.canvaslms.com/t5/Canvas-Basics-Guide/What-are-the-browser-and-computer-requirements-for-Canvas/ta-p/66)
- D. Microsoft Word

## ☰ Course Assignments

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### Textbook readings

(CLOs: 1, 2, 3, 4; FSLOs: CT 1, 3)

### Course Requirements Checklist

After reading the Course Syllabus and [Student Expectations \(https://www.liberty.edu/institutional-effectiveness/student-expectations/\)](https://www.liberty.edu/institutional-effectiveness/student-expectations/), the student will complete the related checklist found in the Course Overview.

### Discussions (3)

Over the course of the class, the student will participate in 3 Discussions requiring a thread of 300 words in length and a response to another student of 125 words in length.

(CLOs: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6; FSLOs: CT 1, 2, 3, 5)

### Thesis and Outline Assignments (2)

In preparation for each paper, the student will submit a thesis and an outline based on the provided guidelines. The thesis and outline will be due the week before the final paper due dates.

(CLOs: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6; FSLOs: CT 1, 2, 3, 5)

### Essays (2)

These essays will follow the posted guidelines and must be submitted in proper, current format (MLA, APA, or Turabian depending on the student's program of study).

(CLOs: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6; FSLOs: CT 1, 2, 3, 5)

### Quizzes (4)

The student will take 4 open-book/open-notes quizzes on the assigned readings and class lectures. Each quiz consists of 30 multiple-choice and reading comprehension questions. The student will have 60 minutes to complete each of these quizzes, with a one-point deduction for each minute the student exceeds the time limit. The student may only take these quizzes once.

(CLOs: 1, 2, 3, 5; FSLOs: CT 1, 3)

## ✓ Course Grading

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Course Requirements Checklist	10
Discussions (3 at 80 pts ea)	240
Thesis and Outline Assignments (2 at 35 pts ea)	70
Essay: Realism or Naturalism	150
Essay: Modernism or Postmodernism	180
Quizzes (4 at 90 pts ea)	360

## \* Course Policies

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### Policies

**Writing Policy:** All written assignments should be formatted correctly and consistently according to current formatting style (MLA, APA, or Turabian depending on the student's program of study). Assignments not submitted in proper formatting will be docked points.

**Plagiarism Policy:** Any form of plagiarism will be dealt with according to the guidelines outlined in the Liberty University Academic Dishonesty policy.

## Policies

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### Late Assignment Policy

Course Assignments, including discussions, exams, and other graded assignments, should be submitted on time.

If the student is unable to complete an assignment on time, then he or she must contact the instructor immediately by email.

Assignments that are submitted after the due date without prior approval from the instructor will receive the following deductions:

1. Late assignments submitted within one week after the due date will receive up to a 10% deduction.
2. Assignments submitted more than one week and less than 2 weeks late will receive up to a 20% deduction.
3. Assignments submitted two weeks late or after the final date of the course will not be accepted outside of special circumstances (e.g. death in the family, significant personal health issues), which will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the instructor.
4. Group projects, including group discussion threads and/or replies, and assignments will not be accepted after the due date outside of special circumstances (e.g. death in the family, significant personal health issues), which will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the instructor.

### Disability Assistance

Students with a disability and those with medical conditions associated with pregnancy may contact Liberty University's Online Office of Disability Accommodation Support (ODAS) at [LUOODAS@liberty.edu](mailto:LUOODAS@liberty.edu) for accommodations. Such accommodations require appropriate documentation of your condition. For more information about ODAS and the accommodations process, including how to request an accommodation, please visit <https://www.liberty.edu/online/online-disability-accommodation-support/> (<https://www.liberty.edu/online/online-disability-accommodation-support/>). Requests for accommodations not related to disabilities or pregnancy must be directed to the Registrar's Office, which generally handles medical needs support.

If you have a complaint related to disability discrimination or an accommodation that was not provided, you may contact ODAS or the Office of Equity and Compliance by phone at (434) 592-4999 or by email at [equityandcompliance@liberty.edu](mailto:equityandcompliance@liberty.edu). Click to see a full copy of Liberty's [Discrimination, Harassment, and Sexual Misconduct Policy](https://www.liberty.edu/media/1226/Liberty_University_Discrimination_Harassment_and_Sexual_Misconduct_Policy.pdf) ([https://www.liberty.edu/media/1226/Liberty\\_University\\_Discrimination\\_Harassment\\_and\\_Sexual\\_Misconduct\\_Policy.pdf](https://www.liberty.edu/media/1226/Liberty_University_Discrimination_Harassment_and_Sexual_Misconduct_Policy.pdf)) or the [Student Disability Grievance Policy and Procedures](http://www.liberty.edu/media/8021/Disability_Grievance_Procedures.pdf) ([http://www.liberty.edu/media/8021/Disability\\_Grievance\\_Procedures.pdf](http://www.liberty.edu/media/8021/Disability_Grievance_Procedures.pdf)).

### Course Attendance

In an effort to comply with U.S. Department of Education policies, attendance is measured by physical class attendance or any submission of a required assignment within the enrollment dates of the course (such as examinations, written papers or projects, any discussion posts, etc.) or initiating any communication with one's professor regarding an academic subject. More information regarding the [attendance policy](https://nam04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwiki.os.liberty.edu%2Fdisplay%2FIE%2FOnline%2BAttendance%2BAnd%2BNon-Attendance&data=02%7C01%7Caccollins2%40liberty.edu%7Cd91431fa6ac547056b5408d833029e1a%7Cba8218eb3024465a9934a39c97251b2%7C0%7C0%7C637315433613719138&sdata=%2BNBTsPOoXuHAPLfISQRugK7cRSuV6UyC7qD3agf3l2k%3D&res) (<https://nam04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwiki.os.liberty.edu%2Fdisplay%2FIE%2FOnline%2BAttendance%2BAnd%2BNon-Attendance&data=02%7C01%7Caccollins2%40liberty.edu%7Cd91431fa6ac547056b5408d833029e1a%7Cba8218eb3024465a9934a39c97251b2%7C0%7C0%7C637315433613719138&sdata=%2BNBTsPOoXuHAPLfISQRugK7cRSuV6UyC7qD3agf3l2k%3D&res>).

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## Grading Scale

A	B	C	D	F
900-1010	800-899	700-799	600-699	0-599

For courses with a Pass/NP final grade, please refer to the Course Grading section of this syllabus for the assignment requirements and/or point value required to earn a Passing final grade.

## Add/Drop Policy

The full policy statement and procedures are published in the [Policy Directory \(https://wiki.os.liberty.edu/display/IE/Dropping+and+Adding+Online+Classes\)](https://wiki.os.liberty.edu/display/IE/Dropping+and+Adding+Online+Classes).

## Honor Code

Liberty University comprises a network of students, Alumni, faculty, staff and supporters that together form a Christian community based upon the truth of the Bible. This truth defines our foundational principles, from our Doctrinal Statement to the Code of Honor. These principles irrevocably align Liberty University's operational procedures with the long tradition of university culture, which remains distinctively Christian, designed to preserve and advance truth. Our desire is to create a safe, comfortable environment within our community of learning, and we extend our academic and spiritual resources to all of our students with the goal of fostering academic maturity, spiritual growth and character development.

Communities are predicated on shared values and goals. The Code of Honor, an expression of the values from which our Doctrinal Statement was born, defines the fundamental principles by which our community exists. At the core of this code lie two essential concepts: a belief in the significance of all individuals, and a reliance on the existence of objective truth.

While we acknowledge that some may disagree with various elements of the Code of Honor, we maintain the expectation that our students will commit to respect and uphold the Code while enrolled at Liberty University.

Adherence to the principles and concepts established within facilitates the success of our students and strengthens the Liberty community.

The Code of Honor can be viewed in its entirety at <http://www.liberty.edu/index.cfm?PID=19155> (<http://www.liberty.edu/index.cfm?PID=19155>).

## Schedule

When	Topic	Notes
Course Overview	Student Acknowledgements	Course Requirements Checklist

When	Topic	Notes
	Technology Integration Set-Up	Prepare: Cengage MindTap
<b>Module 1: Week 1</b>	Learn	Read: 1 item Watch: 4 items
	Apply	Discussion: Acts 17 and Redemptive Reading
<b>Module 2: Week 2</b>	Learn	Read: 3 items Watch: 3 items
	Apply	Thesis and Outline for Essay: Realism or Naturalism Assignment Quiz: Realism
<b>Module 3: Week 3</b>	Learn	Read: 3 items Watch: 3 items
	Apply	Essay: Realism or Naturalism Assignment
<b>Module 4: Week 4</b>	Learn	Read: 3 items Watch: 3 items
	Apply	Quiz: Naturalism and Local Color
<b>Module 5: Week 5</b>	Learn	Read: 4 items Watch: 3 items
	Apply	Discussion: Modernism
<b>Module 6: Week 6</b>	Learn	Read: 3 items Watch: 4 items
	Apply	Thesis and Outline for Essay Modernism or Postmodernism Assignment Quiz: Modernism
<b>Module 7: Week 7</b>	Learn	Read: 3 items Watch: 3 items
	Apply	Essay: Modernism or Postmodernism Assignment
<b>Module 8: Week 8</b>	Learn	Read: 3 items Watch: 3 items
	Apply	Discussion: Redemptive Reading of Postmodernism Quiz: Postmodernism