# COURSE SYLLABUS

**Course Title:** World Literature I  
**Department:** Humanities  
**Curriculum:** Literature  
**Date submitted:** Spring 2014 (AAC: 14-25)

**Course Code:** ENG*241  
**Course Type:** L/D

- A: Clinical  
- B: Lab  
- D: Distance Learning  
- I: Individual/Independent  
- L: Lecture  
- N: Seminar Internship  
- P: Practicum  
- U: Studio  
- X: Combined Lecture/Lab  
- Y: Combined Lecture/Lab  
- Z: Combined Lecture/Studio

**Elective Type:** E/G/LAS/HU/LIT

- AH: Art History  
- E: English  
- FA: Fine Arts  
- FL: Foreign Language  
- G: General  
- HI: History  
- HU: Humanities  
- LAS: Liberal Arts & Sciences  
- LIT: Literature  
- M: Math  
- S: Science  
- SS: Social Science

**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Developmental:** (yes/no) No  
**Contact Hours:**  
- Lecture: 3  
- Clinical: 0  
- Lab: 0  
- Studio: 0  
- Other: 0  
- TOTAL: 3  
**Class Maximum:** 23  
**Semesters Offered:** F

**Prerequisites:**  
C- or better in Composition (ENG*101)

**Corequisites:**  
None

**Other Requirements:**  
None

**Catalog Course Description:**  
Surveys world literature from the ancients to 1650. The course emphasizes the connections between culture, history, and literary works, while exploring the diversity of human expression and response to the commonality of human experience.

**Topical Outline:**  
List course content in outline format.  
1. Writing and the beginnings of literature B.C. 2500-300  
2. China – poetry and philosophy B.C. 1000-100  
3. India – the recording of the epics B.C. 550-100  
4. Greece – birth of Western thought B.C. 900-100  
5. Rome – empire first century B.C.
6. China – middle period 300-1200 A.D.
7. India – classical age 200-1000 A.D.
8. Christianity – first century A.D.
9. Islam – 600-1300 A.D.
10. Japan – golden age 700-1400 A.D.
11. Europe – 800-1500
12. Africa – 13th century
13. Renaissance – 1300-1650
14. Pre-Columbian American literatures

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to do the following:

COURSE:
1. Literary Genre – assesses student ability to identify, define, and describe the attributes and significance of the primary genres and their subgenres.
   1.1 Level 1: Identifies major fiction and/or non-fiction genres
2. Literary History
   2.1 Level 1: Identifies significant characteristics of prominent authors and literary periods of world literature up to 1650
   2.3 Level 2: Relates individual works to literary history
3. Literary Aesthetics
   3.1 Level 1: Identifies and defines aesthetic elements and their descriptive terminology
4. Critical Theory
   4.1 Level 1: Is aware of a critical approach in any reading
5. Literary Analysis (the ability refers to the act of synthesizing the acts of analysis in the preceding abilities and communicating that analysis – primarily via the essay but can also be through oral presentations, performances, or other media.)
   5.1 Level 1: Critically reflects on their reading of world literature to 1650
   5.2 Level 1: Evaluates the significance of specific literary passages to the text and American Literature using appropriate terminology
   5.5 Level 2: Communicates a critical analysis of world literature’s varied aesthetic characteristics and literary, cultural, and historical contexts

PROGRAM: (Numbering reflects Program Outcomes as they appear in the college catalog)

GENERAL EDUCATION: (Numbering reflects General Education Outcomes as they appear in the college catalog)

2. Critical Analysis/ Logical Thinking - Students will be able to organize, interpret, and evaluate evidence and ideas within and across disciplines; draw reasoned inferences and defensible conclusions; and solve problems and make decisions based on analytical processes.

   Demonstrates: Identifies the issue(s); formulates an argument; explains and analyzes relationships clearly; draws reasonable inferences and conclusions that are logical and defensible; provides support by evaluating credible sources of evidence necessary to justify conclusions.

   Does Not Demonstrate: Identifies few or no issues; formulates an argument without significant focus; provides an unclear explanation of analysis and relationships; drawing few reasonable inferences and conclusions that are illogical and indefensible; provides little to no support using credible sources of evidence necessary to justify conclusions.

11. Written Communication (embedded) - Students will be prepared to develop written texts of varying lengths and styles that communicate effectively and appropriately across a variety of settings.

   Demonstrates: Writes articulate texts using appropriate evidence and appeals as determined by the rhetorical situation.
**World Literature I**  

**EDC-754 Lecture 1: Introduction to World Literature**  

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<td><strong>Evaluation:</strong></td>
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<td>1. producing, evaluating, and sharing critical readings and analyses of literary works in a variety of communication modes</td>
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<td><strong>Instructional Resources:</strong></td>
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<td>Current Library and technological resources are adequate for this course.</td>
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<td><strong>Textbook(s):</strong></td>
<td>Suggested text: Norton Anthology of World Literature, vols. A-C, or consult with department chair</td>
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