

Course ID:	Course Title:	Spring 2023
EN 130-1	Introduction to English Literature	Prerequisite: n/a
		Credits: 3

Reg. What need one?

Lear. O reason not the need: our basest Beggers

Are in the poorest thing superfluous,

Allow not Nature, more then Nature needs:

Mans life is cheape as Beastes. Thou art a Lady;

Class Information		Instructor Information		Important Dates	
Delivery:	In Class	Instructor:	D. Dyck (Ph.D)	First Day of Class:	May 1
Days:	M-F, May 1-12	Email:	darren.dyck@ambrose.edu	Last Day to Add/Drop:	End of the First Day of Class
Time:	9 am- 12:30 pm	Phone:	Ext. 6931	Last Day to Withdraw:	End of the Last Day of Class
Room:	A2131	Office:	L2069	Last Day to Apply for Coursework Extension:	End of the Last Day of Class
		Office Hours:	By appt.	Last Day of Class:	May 12

# **Course Description**

An introduction to university English studies through the exploration of poetry, fiction, drama, and the literary essay. Students will learn strategies for the close reading and analysis of texts and for writing about literature.

# **Expected Learning Outcomes**

Diligent Students will:

- Understand literature as a unique mode of writing distinguished by its imaginative use of and attention to narrative, symbol, figurative language, and structural patterns;
- Understand how literature imaginatively combines the ideas and concepts of philosophy, history, theology, the fine arts, and many other modes of knowledge;
- Consider Christianity's wide-ranging relationship to English literature;
- Practice basic research skills: locating and assessing literary scholarship, incorporating scholarship in essay writing, using proper citation methods;

- Distinguish between the major literary genres and concepts, and employ appropriate terminology when discussing them;
- Practice close reading and other analytical techniques to elucidate the meaning of literary texts;
- Develop the skill of communication by writing essays in clear, compelling, and correct prose that argue a claim on the basis of literary-textual evidence;
- Develop the skill of communication through participating in class discussions; and
- Learn to reverence truth, desire goodness, and rejoice in beauty, insofar as these qualities are manifested in literature.

# **Textbooks**

- EN 130 Course Reader
- Shakespeare, Twelfth Night (Simon and Schuster: 9781982122492)
- Greene, The End of the Affair (Vintage: 9780099478447)
- Messenger et al., The Canadian Writer's Handbook, 2<sup>nd</sup> Essentials Edition (Oxford: 9780199025572)
- The online Oxford English Dictionary: https://www-oed-com.ezproxy.acnuc.talonline.ca/.

# **Course Schedule**

Date	What we'll talk about	What to read	What's due
Mon 1	<ul><li> Why EN 130?</li><li> The Personal Essay</li><li> Fiction: The Short Story</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Faludy, Convocation Address (p. 11; read in class)</li> <li>Mansfield, "The Fly" (p.17; read in class)</li> </ul>	
Tue 2	<ul><li> "The Passage"</li><li> Fiction: The Short Story</li></ul>	<ul><li>Bowen, "The Happy Autumn Fields" (p. 21)</li><li>Salinger, "For Esme—with Love and Squalor" (p.36)</li></ul>	Annotations (max. 6)
Wed 3	• Lyric Poetry	Please read p. 67 in the course reader before you start reading the assigned poems.  • Poems 1-24 (p.68ff)	Annotations (max. 8)
Thu 4	• Lyric Poetry	• Poems 25-36 (p.95ff)	<ul><li> "The Passage" In-Class Draft-Writing Exercise (9:30-10:15 am)</li><li> Annotations (max. 4)</li></ul>
Fri 5	<ul><li>Lyric Poetry</li><li>Drama: Comedy</li></ul>	<ul><li>Poems 37-48 (p.107ff)</li><li>Shakespeare, Twelfth Night, 1.1-1.2</li></ul>	Annotations (max. 6)
6-7	THE WEEKEND	Please listen to an audio recording of Shakespeare's Twelfth Night while you read along in your text.	
Mon 8	Drama: Comedy	• Twelfth Night, 1.3-3.1	The Passage" Due Annotations (max. 6)
Tue 9	Drama: Comedy	• Twelfth Night, 3.2-5.1	Annotations (max. 6)
Wed 10	• Essay Writing in English	No Readings	• Lyric Poetry In-Class Outline-Writing Exercise (11:30 am-12:30 pm)
Thu 11	• Fiction: The Novel	• Greene, <i>The End of the Affair</i> , 1.1-2.8 (→ p.70)	Annotations (max. 6)
Fri 12	• Fiction: The Novel	• The End of the Affair, 3.1-5.8 (→ p.160)	<ul><li>Twelfth Night Reading Test (11:45-12:30 pm)</li><li>Annotations (max. 6)</li></ul>

• Lyric Poetry Essay (Due: May 26)

• End of the Affair Essay (Due: June 16)

# Requirements

- 10% Annotations: Over the course of the term, you will submit at least 40 annotation photos (JPG files). The dates on which you may submit these photos, and the maximum number of photos you're allowed to submit per date, can be found in the course schedule.
- 5% <u>"The Passage" In-Class Draft-Writing Exercise</u>: On May 4<sup>th</sup>, you will write a short essay in which you take the position that a particular passage (of your choice) from either Elizabeth Bowen's "The Happy Autumn Fields" or J.D. Salinger's "For Esme—with Love and Squalor" is the text's *essential* passage.
- 10% <u>"The Passage" Revised Essay</u>: You will take the essay you wrote in class on May 4<sup>th</sup>, take *up* the suggestions for revision and correction I've made, and *type* up a finished version. If this version shows improvement and you are awarded a higher grade, that grade will stand for all 15% of "The Passage" Assignment.
- 5% <u>In-Class Outline-Writing Exercise</u>: On May 10<sup>th</sup>, you will write an outline for an essay on lyric poetry that responds to <u>one</u> of prompts provided. Your outline should include a thesis statement, topic sentences and evidence for each body paragraph, and ideas about structure/transitioning from one paragraph to another.
- 20% Essay 1: Based on the outline you wrote on May 10<sup>th</sup>, you will write a 1000-word essay on lyric poetry. If your essay is awarded a higher grade than your outline received, that grade will stand for all 25% of the essay.
- 30% <u>Essay 2</u>: You will write a 1250-word essay on *The End of the Affair*. For this essay, you will read <u>one</u> work of scholarly literature and incorporate some of its claims into your argument.
- 10% <u>Twelfth Night Reading Test</u>: On May 12<sup>th</sup>, you will write a reading test on Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night*. You will be asked to identify the speakers of key passages, provide short answers to questions about the play, and discuss at least one of the play's key themes in light of its action.
- 10% <u>Participation</u>: Attending class is crucial if you hope to do well in EN 130. In addition to attending class, bring your texts, look alert, ask questions, and say 'I don't understand' when you don't understand. If you miss more than <u>three</u> class sessions, you will receive an F in the course. I take attendance at the beginning of class; if you arrive you late, you may be counted absent.

# **Additional Course Information**

- The classroom is a professional setting. For this reason, I ask that you call me "Professor" or "Dr. Dyck" and I will, in return, call you by the name you prefer.
- Professionalism (or formality) is required in emails. When you email me, please begin with "Dear Professor ..."
   and, to the best of your ability, use proper grammar and syntax. Also, please check your Ambrose email account regularly.
- Technological devices are distracting and typically don't actually aid learning: put your laptops, tablets, and phones away—<u>unless</u> you and I have had a conversation, and I've approved your use of some of these. (Obviously, this is not applicable to students with specific accommodations.)
- You are responsible for everything said in class, including announced changes to our schedule. If you will miss a class, arrange in advance for a classmate to take notes on your behalf.
- I reserve the right to mark late assignments down one refined letter grade per class session late (e.g. B to B-).
- Extensions may be granted upon medical or other compelling grounds but must be arranged for in advance.
- In order to receive a passing grade in EN 130, you must submit "The Passage" assignment and essays.
- The current course schedule will always be posted on Moodle.

# **Grade Summary:**

The available letters for course grades are as follows:

Grade	Percentage	Interpretation	Grade Points
A+	96-100	Excellent	4.00
Α	91-95	Excellent	4.00
A-	86-90	Excellent	3.70
B+	82-85	Good	3.30
В	75-81	Good	3.00
B-	72-74	Good	2.70
C+	68-71	Satisfactory	2.30
С	63-67	Satisfactory	2.00
C-	60-62	Satisfactory	1.70
D+	56-59	Poor	1.30
D	50-55	Minimal Pass	1.0
F	0-49	Failure	0.00
Р		Pass	No Grade Points

Because of the nature of the Alpha 4.00 system, there can be no uniform University-wide conversion scale. The relationship between raw scores (e.g., percentages) and the resultant letter grade will depend on the nature of the course and the instructor's assessment of the level of each class, compared to similar classes taught previously.

Please note that final grades will be available on student registration system. Printed grade sheets are not mailed out.

# **Ambrose University Important Policies & Procedures:**

### Communication

All students have received an Ambrose e-mail account upon registration. It is the student's responsibility to check this account regularly as the Ambrose email system will be the professor's instrument for notifying students of important matters (cancelled class sessions, extensions, requested appointments, etc.) between class sessions.

## **Exam Scheduling**

Students who find a conflict in their exam schedule must submit a *Revised Final Exam Time Application* to the Office of the Registrar by the deadline noted in the Academic Calendar. Requests will be considered for the following reasons only: 1) the scheduled final examination slot conflicts with another exam; or 2) the scheduled final examination slot results in three consecutive examination periods. Travel is not considered a valid excuse for re-scheduling or missing a final exam.

## Standards of Behaviour in the Classroom Setting

Learning is an active and interactive process, a joint venture between student and instructor and between student and student. Some topics covered within a class may lead to strong reactions and opinions. It is important that Students understand that they are entitled to hold contradictory beliefs and that they should be encouraged to engage with these topics in a critical manner. Committing to this type of "active learning" significantly increases the learning experience for both teacher and student, and reflects the Christian imperative to pursue truth, which lies at the heart of the Ambrose educational experience. However, active discussion of controversial topics will be undertaken with respect and empathy, which are the foundations of civil discourse in the Classroom Setting. Primary responsibility for managing the classroom rests with the instructor. The instructor may direct a student to leave the class if the student engages in any behaviour that disrupts the classroom setting. If necessary, Ambrose security will be contacted to escort the student from class. Please refer to your professor regarding their electronic etiquette expectations.

## **Academic Integrity**

We are committed to fostering personal integrity and will not overlook breaches of integrity such as plagiarism and cheating. Academic dishonesty is taken seriously at Ambrose University as it undermines our academic standards and affects the integrity of each member of our learning community. Any attempt to obtain credit for academic work through fraudulent, deceptive, or dishonest means is academic dishonesty. Plagiarism involves presenting someone else's ideas, words, or work as one's own. Plagiarism is fraud and theft, but plagiarism can also occur by accident when a student fails or forgets to acknowledge to another person's ideas or words. Plagiarism and cheating can result in a failing grade for an assignment, for the course, or immediate dismissal from the university. Students are expected to be familiar with the policies in the current Academic Calendar that deal with plagiarism, cheating, and the penalties and procedures for dealing with these matters. All cases of academic dishonesty are reported to the Academic Dean and become part of the student's permanent record.

### **Academic Policies**

It is the responsibility of all students to become familiar with and adhere to academic policies as stated in the Academic Calendar. The academic calendar can be found at https://ambrose.edu/academics/academic-calendar

#### Privacy

Personal information (information about an individual that may be used to identify that individual) may be required as part of taking this class. Any information collected will only be used and disclosed for the purpose for which the collection was intended. For further information contact the Privacy Compliance Officer at <a href="mailto:privacy@ambrose.edu">privacy@ambrose.edu</a>.

## **Coursework Extensions**

Should a request for a time extension on coursework exceed the end of the term, a *Coursework Extension Application* must be completed and submitted to the Office of the Registrar. The extension (if granted) will be recorded on the student record. Extensions are granted at the discretion of the instructor and registrar. Normally, Course Extension Applications will be considered only when all of the following conditions are met:

- the quality of prior course work has been satisfactory;
- circumstances beyond your control, such as an extended illness or death of a family member, make it impossible for you to complete the course work on time; and
- you submit Coursework Extension Application to the Office of the Registrar on or before the deadline specified in the Academic Schedule.

If granted, time extensions do not excuse you from a final examination where one has been scheduled for the course. A temporary grade of TX will be assigned until a final grade is submitted in accordance with the new deadline. A final grade of F will apply to:

 all course work submitted after the end of the semester unless a coursework extension has been granted; and all course work submitted after the revised due date provided by an approved extension to coursework.

# **Academic Success and Supports**

# **Accessibility Services**

Academic accommodation is provided to Ambrose students with disabilities in accordance with the Alberta Human Rights Act and the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms. Provision of academic accommodation does not lower the academic standards of the university nor remove the need for evaluation and the need to meet essential learning outcomes. Reasonable accommodations are tailored to the individual student, are flexible, and are determined by considering the barriers within the unique environment of a postsecondary institution. It can take time to organize academic accommodations and funding for disability-related services. Students with a disability who wish to have an academic accommodation are encouraged to contact Accessibility Services as early as possible to ensure appropriate planning for any needs that

may include accommodations. Staff can then meet with students to determine areas to facilitate success, and if accommodations are required, ensure those accommodations are put in place by working with faculty.

## **Ambrose Writing Services**

Ambrose Writing services provides academic support in the four foundational literacy skills—listening, speaking, reading, and writing. It also assists students with critical thinking and the research process. Throughout the academic year, students can meet with a writing tutor for personalized support, or they can attend a variety of workshops offered by Academic Success. These services are free to students enrolled at Ambrose University. Academic Success serves all students in all disciplines and at all levels, from history to biology and from theatre to theology. To learn more, please visit https://ambrose.edu/sas/writing-services

## **Ambrose Tutoring Services**

Ambrose Tutoring Services provides support in specific disciplinary knowledge, especially in high-demand areas such as chemistry, philosophy, math and statistics, and religious studies. These tutors also coach students in general study skills, including listening and note-taking. During the academic year, Ambrose Tutoring Services offers drop-in tutoring for courses with high demand; for other courses, students can book a one-to-one appointment with a tutor in their discipline. These services are free to students enrolled at Ambrose University. To learn more, please visit https://ambrose.edu/tutoring.

## **Mental Health Support**

All of us need a support system. We encourage students to build mental health supports and to reach out when help is needed.

## On Campus:

- Counselling Services: ambrose.edu/counselling
- For immediate crisis support, there are staff on campus who are trained in Suicide Intervention Skills and can help you access mental health support. See https://ambrose.edu/student-life/crisissupport for a list of staff members.
- For additional wellness resources go to the Ambrose wellness page: https://ambrose.edu/wellness

## Off Campus:

- Distress Centre 403-266-4357
- Alberta Mental Health Helpline 1-877-303-2642 (Toll free)
- Sheldon Chumir Health Care Centre 403-955-6200
- Emergency 911

## **Sexual Violence Support**

We are committed to supporting students who have experienced gender based sexual violence in the past or while at Ambrose. Many of the staff, faculty, and student leaders have received Sexual Violence Response to Disclosure training. We will support you and help you find the resources you need and you can access information about reporting. Information about the Sexual Violence policy and on and off campus supports can be found on our website— ambrose.edu/sexual-violence-response-and-awareness.

### Off Campus:

- Alberta's Oneline for Sexual Violence 1-866-403-8000 call or text
- Clinic: Sheldon Chumir Health Centre 403-955-6200
- Calgary Communities Against Sexual Abuse 403-237-5888
- Chat: www.calgarycasa.com

**Note**: Students are strongly advised to retain this syllabus for their records.