JAMESTOWN COMMUNITY COLLEGE
State University of New York

INSTITUTIONAL COURSE SYLLABUS

Course Title: The Modern Novel

Course Abbreviation and Number: ENG 2580   **Credit Hours:** 3   **Course Type:** Lecture

Course Description: Students will discuss and analyze some of the great novels in the period from 1900 to the present day. Students will learn to understand the novel as a separate genre and recognize the characteristics distinguishing the modern novel from earlier fiction.

Prerequisite: ENG 1530.

General Education Requirements Met
> **SUNY**
> Humanities

Student Learning Outcomes:

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

1. Read and interpret various novels.
2. Discuss themes and characteristics of the modern novel.
3. Demonstrate an understanding of the conventions and methods of at least one of the humanities. [SUNY Gen Ed – Humanities]
4. Recognize and analyze nyance and complexity of meaning through critical reflections on text, visual images, or artifacts. [SUNY Gen Ed – Humanities]

Topics Covered:

- Structure of the Novel
- Major Themes Found in Modern and Postmodern Novels
  - Alienation
  - Identity
  - Loss and Grief
- Modern experiments in point of view, structure, and style
- Influence of Historical Events on Modernist and Postmodernist writing
- Literary criticism including Feminist, New Historicism, Marxist, and Postcolonial Theories

Information for Students

- Expectations of Students
  - Civility Statement
  - Student Responsibility Statement
  - Academic Integrity Statement
- Accessibility Services
  Students who require accommodations to complete the requirements and expectations of this course because of a disability must make their accommodation requests to the Accessibility Services Coordinator.
- Get Help: JCC & Community Resources
- Emergency Closing Procedures
- Course grade is determined by the instructor based on a combination of factors, including but not limited to, homework, quizzes, exams, projects, and participation. Final course grade can be translated into a grade point value according to the following:

A=4.0	B+=3.5	B=3	C+=2.5	C=2	D+=1.5	D=1	F=0

- Veterans and active duty military personnel with special circumstances (e.g., upcoming deployments, drill requirements, VA appointments) are welcome and encouraged to communicate these to the instructor.

Effective Date: Fall 2023