

Bossier Parish Community College
Master Syllabus

Course Prefix and Number: ENGL 202 **Credit hours:** 3

Course Title: Major American Writers

Course Prerequisites: ENGL 102, grade of “C” or better

Textbook(s): *The Norton Anthology of American Lit* 9th ed.

Course Description: A study of works by significant writers in American Literature. The Louisiana Statewide Common Course Catalog name and number for this course are CENL 2173: Major American Writers.

Learning Outcomes:

At the end of the course, the student will be able to

- A. recognize the historical background of the literary works read;
- B. apply common terms associated with literature;
- C. identify common authors, titles, and themes in American literature; and
- D. write a research paper which includes secondary sources and demonstrates a knowledge of MLA form.

To achieve the learning outcomes, the student will

(The letter designations at the end of each statement refer to the learning outcome(s).)

- 1. see literary works as a reflection of our national consciousness (A and C).
- 2. examine the lives and influences of major American authors (A and C).
- 3. consider works as integrated wholes and as expressions of limited points of view (A, B, C, and D).
- 4. analyze the major themes and literary styles in American literature (B and C).
- 5. explore major literary philosophies and American historical events from colonialism to modernism (A, C, and D).

Course Requirements: Students will complete required reading and writing assignments, teacher-made tests, and an MLA research paper.

Course Grading Scale:

- 90 – 100 A
- 80 – 89 B
- 70 – 79 C
- 60 – 69 D
- 0 – 59 F

Course Fee: None

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