

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):	Perkins. <i>The American Tradition in Literature</i> , 12 th ed.	
Course Description:	A study of works by significant writers in American literature	

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: The course uses the Liberal Arts grading scale.

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

Attendance Policy: The college attendance policy is available at <http://www.bpcc.edu/catalog/current/academicpolicies.html>

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