

Bossier Parish Community College
Master Syllabus

Course Prefix and Number:	ENGL 255	Credit hours: 3
Course Title:	Introduction to Fiction	
Course Prerequisites:	ENGL 102, grade of “C” or better	
Textbook(s):	Perrine, Laurence. <i>Story and Structure</i> , 15 th ed.	
Course Description:	An introduction to the short story and the novel with emphasis on appreciation, analysis, and evaluation.	

Learning Outcomes:

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

- A. identify the elements of literature as they apply short stories and the novel; and
- B. define critical theories associated with analyzing fiction.

To achieve the learning outcomes, the student will
(The letter designations at the end of each statement refer to the learning outcome(s).)

1. read the two genres under consideration (A and B).
2. share insights in class discussions (A and B).
3. evaluate a work of fiction in an original critical essay (A and B).
4. analyze a work of fiction in an original essay with proper documentation (A and B).
5. express opinion by critically reviewing works of fiction (A and B).
6. apply these elements and theories to writing critically about fiction (A and B).

Course Requirements: Students will successfully complete reading assignments, critical essays, a book review, and major examinations.

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
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