



Syllabus

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What You Should Already Know

There are no prerequisites for this course—just the ability to read and a desire to learn more about reading and reading strategies.

Learning Objectives

- Acquire reading strategies to help you become a better reader.
- Choose novels to read and learn more about analyzing these novels and their literary elements.

Course Materials

- 6 novels of your choice which add up to a minimum of 1500 pages
- There is a book list in the index to help you choose.
- Please read the “A Few Words of Advice” section also located in the appendix before you select books to read for this course.

Assignments

Self Checks

These are computer-graded quizzes which follow most of the objectives in the course. They do not count toward your grade but they will help you determine if you are understanding the material.

Unit Quizzes

5 of the units end with one of these computer-graded quizzes. These do count toward your grade and are designed to prepare you for the final exam.

Portfolio Submissions

Throughout the course you will complete written/typed work which you will need to save in a secure place. You will submit this work in two groups called portfolios. Be sure that you have completed and attached every assignment associated with a portfolio before you submit it.

NOTE: You must pass the portfolio assignment with at least a 60 percent score on it or the entire assignment must be redone and resubmitted. This assignment must be passed before you can take the final exam.

Exams

The final exam consists of 50 multiple-choice questions.

Grading

Grade Percentage Breakdown

Assignment	Percent of Total Grade
Unit 1 Quiz	7%
Unit 2 Quiz	7%
Unit 3 Quiz	7%
Unit 4 Portfolio	25%
Unit 5 Quiz	7%
Unit 6 Quiz	7%
Unit 7 Portfolio	25%
Comprehensive Final Exam	15%
Total	100%

Your final grade will be based on the scale below:

Grading Scale	
A	100–93%
A–	92–90%
B+	89–87%

Grading Scale	
B	86–83%
B–	82–80%
C+	79–77%
C	76–73%
C–	72–70%
D+	69–67%
D	66–63%
D–	62–60%
E (fail)	59–0%