Description: Gender and Literature

Academic Group: FOART
Academic Org: FOA003
HECS Band: 1
ASCED Code: 091523

STAFFING
Examiner: Alison Bartlett
Moderator: Lawrence Johnson

OTHER-REQUISITES
Pre-requisite: 3 units of Literature

SYNOPSIS
Increasingly, feminist theory is examining the importance of gender in shaping the expectations and subjectivities of individuals. It is important that students of literature should be aware of varying literary responses to this issue. This course involves study of a range of literature and focuses on gender relationships as these are presented by writers reflecting and/or challenging the cultural values of their times. NOTE: Students who have already passed the old unit 97501 will not be permitted to enrol in this course.

OBJECTIVES
On successful completion of this course, students will:

• be able to critically respond to various literary representations of gender relationships;
• have an understanding of the cultural contexts of production and reception of the texts studied;
• be able to engage with current theoretical analyses of gender issues and apply them to the reading of literary texts.

TOPICS

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<td>1. Introduction to gender studies</td>
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2. Motherhood, Medicine, Madness 15.00
3. Questioning Gender and Genre 15.00
4. Corporeality, sexuality and race 30.00
5. Poetry and Violence 30.00

TEXT and MATERIALS required to be PURCHASED or ACCESSED:
Books can be ordered by fax or telephone. For costs and further details use the 'Book Search' facility at http://bookshop.usq.edu.au by entering the author or title of the text.

REFERENCE MATERIALS
Reference materials are materials that, if accessed by students, may improve their knowledge and understanding of the material in the course and enrich their learning experience.


STUDENT WORKLOAD REQUIREMENTS

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ASSESSMENT DETAILS

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NOTES:
- Students will be advised of the official exam date after timetable has been finalised

IMPORTANT ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

1. Attendance requirements:
   There are no attendance requirements for this external course. However, it is the
   student's responsibility to study all material provided to them or required to be
   accessed by them to maximise their chance of meeting the objectives of the course
   and to be informed of course-related activities and administration.

2. Requirements for students to complete each assessment item satisfactorily:
   To complete each of the assessment items satisfactorily, students must obtain at
   least 50% of the marks available for each assessment item.

3. Penalties for late submission of required work:
   If students submit assignments after the due date without prior approval, then a
   penalty of 10% of the total marks available for the assignment will apply for each
   of the first FIVE working days late, after which a zero mark will be given.

4. Requirements for student to be awarded a passing grade in the course:
   To be assured of receiving a passing grade, a student must: (i) submit all of the
   summative assessment items, and (ii) achieve at least 50% of the available weighted
   marks for the summative assessment items.

5. Method used to combine assessment results to attain final grade:
   The final grades for students will be assigned on the basis of the weighted aggregate
   of the marks (or grades) obtained for each of the summative assessment items in
   the course.

6. Examination information:
   The exam for this course is a CLOSED EXAMINATION, and candidates are
   allowed to bring only writing and drawing instruments into the examination.

7. Examination period when Deferred/Supplementary examinations will be held:
   Any deferred or supplementary examinations for this course will be held during
   the next examination period.

8. University Regulations:
   Students should read USQ Regulations 5.1 Definitions, 5.6 Assessment, and 5.10
   Academic Misconduct for further information and to avoid actions which might
   contravene University Regulations. These regulations can be found at the URL
   http://www.usq.edu.au/SECARIAT/calendar/Part5/ or in the printed version of the
   current USQ Handbook.
ASSESSMENT NOTES

9  (a) The due date for an assignment is the date by which a student must despatch the assignment to the USQ. The onus is on the student to provide proof of the despatch date, if requested by the Examiner. (b) Students must retain a copy of each item submitted for assessment. This must be produced within five days if required by the Examiner. (c) In accordance with University’s Assignment Extension Policy (Regulation 5.6.1), the examiner of a course may grant an extension of the due date of an assignment in extenuating circumstances such as documented ill-health. (d) Students who have undertaken all of the required assessments in the course but who have failed to meet some of the specified objectives of the course within the normally prescribed time may be awarded the temporary grade: IM (Incomplete-Makeup). An IM grade will only be awarded when, in the opinion of the examiner, a student will be able to achieve the remaining objectives of the course after a period of non-directed personal study. (e) Students who, for medical, family/personal, or employment-related reasons, are unable to complete an assignment or sit for an examination at the scheduled time, may apply to defer an assessment in the course. Such a request must be accompanied by appropriate supporting documentation. One of the following temporary grades may be awarded: IDS (Incomplete - Deferred Examination; IDM (Incomplete Deferred Make-up); IDB (Incomplete - Both Deferred Examination and Deferred Make-up).