Description: Appreciating Literature

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RATIONALE
This course is intended for those students enrolled in Tertiary Preparation Program who enjoy reading books and/or those who feel they may wish to study literature in the future. It aims to encourage and stimulate students' interest in, and appreciation of a variety of types of literature. This course provides a range of literature for students to explore: four plays, two books of short stories, a non-fiction work, and a short novel.

SYNOPSIS
Studying literature involves examination of the key elements of a text and their interrelationships. In this course, students are given the opportunity to discuss the following key elements in each of the set texts: genre, social issues, characterization, and writer's purpose.

OBJECTIVES
On completion of this unit, students will have examined a variety of types of literature. They should be able to:

1. recognize the role played by the genre of each text;
2. recognize social issues in a text and be able to relate those issues to the society in which the text was set and to society today;
3. discuss the writer's use of characterization;
4. identify and discuss the writer's purpose in each text.

TOPICS

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3. Corporate pressure 10.00
4. The powerless character 10.00
5. Confronting reality 10.00
6. The short story 5.00
7. The role of humour 10.00
8. The tragic character and the power of fate 10.00
9. The non-fiction story 5.00
10. The search for self 10.00
11. The short novel 5.00
12. The importance of self-realisation 10.00

**TEXT and MATERIALS required to be PURCHASED or ACCESSED**

ALL textbooks and materials are available for purchase from USQ BOOKSHOP (unless otherwise stated). Orders may be placed via secure internet, free fax 1800642453, phone 07 46312742 (within Australia), or mail. Overseas students should fax +61 7 46311743, or phone +61 7 46312742. For costs, further details, and internet ordering, use the 'Textbook Search' facility at http://bookshop.usq.edu.au click 'Semester', then enter your 'Course Code' (no spaces).


**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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IMPORTANT ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

1. Attendance requirements:
   There are no attendance requirements for this course.

2. Requirements for students to complete each assessment item satisfactorily:
   (b) To complete each of the assignments satisfactorily, students must obtain at least 50% of the marks available (or at least a grade of C-) for each assignment.

3. Penalties for late submission of required work:
   If students submit assignments after the due date without prior approval then a penalty of 5% of the total marks gained by the student for the assignment may apply for each working day late.

4. Requirements for student to be awarded a passing grade in the course:
   To be assured of a passing grade, students must demonstrate, via the summative assessment items, that they have achieved the required minimum standards in relation to the objectives of the course by satisfactorily completing all summative assessment items. Students may be required to resubmit an assignment or complete extra work for each assignment that is unsatisfactory.

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

6. Examination information:
   There is no examination for this course.

7. Examination period when Deferred/Supplementary examinations will be held:
   There is no deferred/supplementary examination in this course.

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/corporateservices/calendar/part5.htm or in the current USQ Handbook.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

1. Other editions of the set texts may be used.

2. In accordance with the University Policy and Guidelines (Regulation 5.6.1), an Examiner may grant an extension of the due date of an assignment in extenuating circumstances.

3. Students who for medical, family/personal, or employment-related reasons, are unable to complete an assessment item at the scheduled time may apply to defer an assessment
in a course. Such a request must be accompanied by appropriate supporting documentation. The temporary grade of IDM (Incomplete Deferred Make-up) may be awarded.

4 It is recommended that students view videos of the set texts if possible.