ENG 243
MAJOR BRITISH WRITERS

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Prerequisites: ENG 112 or ENG 113
Corequisites: None

This course provides an intensive study of the works of several major British authors. Emphasis is on British history, culture, and the literary merits. Upon completion, students should be able to interpret, analyze, and evaluate the works studied. *This course has been approved to satisfy the Comprehensive Articulation Agreement for the general education core requirement in humanities/fine arts.* Course Hours Per Week: Class, 3. Semester Hours Credit, 3.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to do the following:

a. Discuss select works of major British writers in the context of such literary, historical, cultural, and intellectual periods as the Medieval, Renaissance, Neoclassical, Romantic, Victorian, and Modern Periods;
b. Trace the development of themes and genres within their historical contexts;
c. Analyze literary works for their aesthetic features and thematic patterns;
d. Identify styles, themes, and works of major writers;
e. Understand and apply critical approaches to literature;
f. Understand critical and popular reception of major works of the period;
g. Communicate critical insights about British literature in writing and orally.

OUTLINE OF INSTRUCTION:

I. Overview of issues in British literature
   A. Cultural and historical background
   B. Genres and literary movements
   C. Development of a national literature

II. Selected authors and works
   A. Biographical overview
   B. Critical and popular reception
   C. Stylistic and thematic characteristics
   D. Contribution to the national literature

III. Literary criticism and secondary sources
REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS AND MATERIALS:

Text to be selected by instructor

STATEMENT FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES:

Students who require academic accommodations due to any physical, psychological, or learning disability are encouraged to request assistance from a disability services counselor within the first two weeks of class. Likewise, students who potentially require emergency medical attention due to any chronic health condition are encouraged to disclose this information to a disability services counselor within the first two weeks of class. Counselors can be contacted by calling 919-536-7207, ext. 1413 or by visiting the Student Development Office in the Phail Wynn Jr. Student Services Center, room 1209.