

TERM: Fall 2025

COURSE NUMBER & CATEGORY: ENGL 2000: DR: The Literary Life

COURSE TITLE: THE LITERARY LIFE

SECTION TIMES/DAYS: M 6:00-9:20 pm

INSTRUCTOR: Kelly Younger

COURSE DESCRIPTION/PRINCIPAL TOPICS:

Students learn how to read and write about literature, media, and culture within their historical contexts. Students will be asked to think and read historically about literature, media, and culture, focusing on why new literary, media, and cultural practices and works emerge at a particular historical time and place but also why they change. One of the chief focuses will be the relationship between literary, media, and cultural change and other types of historical transformation. While these courses will explore the ways in which literature, media, and culture may be shaped by historical events and texts, they will also show how literature, media, and culture themselves play a role in broader social change.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Students understand the structure and retrieval systems of archives, catalogues, and databases

Students know how to develop a research plan and use search tools efficiently

Students know how to take and organize research notes on primary and secondary materials

Students know how to read and evaluate critical discourse

Students develop a research question that controls scope and establishes a focus

Students read primary and secondary texts closely

Students evaluate the authority, claims, evidence, and persuasive force of literary arguments

Students synthesize different perspectives and readings with your own interpretation

CLASS LEVEL RESTRICTION:

N/A

RECOMMENDED/PREREQUISITES:

English Major/Minor

COURSE ATTRIBUTES:

OLD CURRICULUM

- GENRES (LD)
- HISTORIES (LD)
- AUTHORS (UD)
- CRITICAL/THEORETICAL (UD)
- COMPARATIVE (UD)
- CREATIVE/ARTISTRY

NEW CURRICULUM

- DISCIPLINARY RESEARCH (LD)
- HISTORY OF LIT, MEDIA, AND CULTURE (LD)
- READING AND WRITING GENRES (LD)
- THEORY, POWER, AND RHETORIC (LD)
- PRE-1800 (UD)
- CREATIVE ARTISTRY (UD)
- RACE, INTERSECTIONALITY, AND POWER (UD)
- UPPER-DIVISION ELECTIVE (UD)
- 5000-LEVEL SEMINAR (UD)

CORE ATTRIBUTES:

N/A