

This syllabus has been provided as a reference tool for students considering this course. It has been modified to follow Senate

Jack Kerouac *On the Road* (Penguin)  
Octavia Butler *Parable of the Sower* (Grand Central)  
**(x) = handouts**

Methods of Evaluation

First Term Essay (4 pages - December 4)	10%
Second Term Essay (8 pages - April 9)	20%
Midterm	10%
Final	35%
Participation	15%
Position Papers (two each semester - 2 pages each)	10%

A student must receive a passing grade for both term work and the final examination in order to receive a passing grade for the course. This applies to all courses in all programs offered by the department. Students whose term and final exam grades average 50% or above, even though one of the two is a failure, shall receive a default grade of 48%. **Please note:** The department of English & Writing Studies does not release final grades. All undergraduate grade reports will be available online from the Office of the Registrar.

Students are fully responsible for looking at and being familiar with the information posted on the department website at <http://www.uwo.ca/english/undergraduate/info%20for%20students.html#grade>.

**Timetable:**

Sep	10	Introduction; Christopher Columbus, from <i>Letters</i> ; excerpt from Bartolomé de las Casas	
	17	seventh, eighth, ninth removes [x])	
	24	James Fenimore Cooper <i>Last of the Mohicans</i>	
Oct	1	finish <i>Last of the Mohicans</i>	-Glass for the
		<b>Due: position paper</b>	
	8	Benjamin Franklin <i>The Autobiography</i> Brought from Africa to	Cambridge, in New
	15	Thomas Jefferson <i>Declaration of Independence</i> ; excerpts from <i>The Federalist</i> (#1, #10); Nathaniel Hawthorne <i>The Scarlet Letter</i> (chs. 1-7)	-
		<b>Due: position paper</b>	
	22	Nathaniel Hawthorne <i>The Scarlet Letter</i> , finish	
	29	Frederick Douglass <i>Narrative of the Life</i>	

Nov	5	M. NourbeSe Philip <i>Zong</i> <b>Due: position paper</b>	
	12	Ralph Waldo Emerson, letter to Whitman (x)	
	19	-	! Who are
		<b>due: position paper</b>	
	26	Mark Twain <i>Adventures of Huckleberry Finn</i>	
Dec	3	Mark Twain <i>Adventures of Huckleberry Finn</i> <b>due: first term essay</b>	
Jan	7	T. <b>**Mid-Term Exam**</b>	
	14		x x); Robert Frost
	21		<i>Tender Buttons</i> - x); Baroness Elsa von F x)
	28	W.E.B. Du Bois, from <i>The Souls of Black Folk</i> , ch. 1, III; Paul Lawrence Dunbar	
		<b>due: position paper</b>	
Feb	4	Zora Neale Hurston <i>Their Eyes Were Watching God</i> x) <b>due: position paper</b>	
	11	finish <i>Their Eyes Were Watching God</i>	
	18	Reading Week	
	25	Sylvia Plath <i>The Bell Jar</i> (1-187)	
Mar	4	Sylvia Plath <i>The Bell Jar</i>	



