

ENGL 210: CREATIVE WRITING: FICTION AND NON-FICTION

Citrus College Course Outline of Record

Heading	Value
Effective Term:	Fall 2021
Credits:	3
Total Contact Hours:	54
Lecture Hours :	54
Lab Hours:	0
Hours Arranged:	0
Outside of Class Hours:	108
Strongly Recommended:	ENGL 101.
Transferable to CSU:	Yes
Transferable to UC:	Yes - Approved
Grading Method:	Standard Letter

Catalog Course Description

Instruction and practice in various forms of fiction and creative non-fiction such as the short story, the novel, flash fiction, and the creative essay. Critical evaluation of professional and student writing. 54 lecture hours.

Course Objectives

- apply the major techniques employed in short and long fiction and creative non-fiction
- employ critical thinking in studying the methods of evaluating literature for purpose of self-appraisal
- write stories, chapters, or creative essays
- explain how culture and gender influence creative works

Major Course Content

1. Fiction
 - a. Descriptive techniques
 - b. Story structure
 - c. Characterization
 - d. Dialogue
 - e. Point of view
 - f. Dramatization vs. Narration
 - g. Setting
 - h. Form and content
 - i. Meanings
2. Creative Non-Fiction
 - a. Reportage
 - b. Style
 - c. Finding a voice
 - d. Diction
 - e. Tone and atmosphere
3. Revision

- a. Redrafting strategies
- b. Constructive criticism
- c. Analysis and evaluation
- d. Close reading

Suggested Reading Other Than Required Textbook

Literary magazines, fiction magazines, novels, other creative non-fiction etc.

Examples of Required Writing Assignments

Utilizing the elements of a well constructed short story, write a piece of short fiction based upon a significant event in one's life.

Examples of Outside Assignments

Study Answer questions Practice skills Read required materials Write two short fiction or non-fiction pieces. Revise and expand one of them.

Read assigned short fiction and non-fiction and respond to questions regarding style and convention.

Write a close reading essay that evaluates the quality of a short piece of fiction, part of a novel, or an example of creative non-fiction.

Instruction Type(s)

Lecture, Online Education Lecture