Course Syllabus
Wayne County Community College District
ENG 231 Introduction To Poetry

CREDIT HOURS: 3.00

CONTACT HOURS: 45.00

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course is a study of poetic structures and poets, both traditional and modern.

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

After completing English 231, the student will be able to:
1. Identify the theme of each poem studied. This means she/he should be able to see a thematic design running through the poem and she/he should be able to identify the parts that contribute to this design
2. Explain how rhythm, meter, and rhyme function to express the meaning of the poem
3. Explain how imagery functions in a given poem
4. Distinguish various types of poems (e.g., ballads, sonnets, epics, elegies, etc.)
5. Have an elementary knowledge of the historical development of poetry

ASSESSMENT METHODS

Student performance may be assessed by examination, quizzes, case studies, oral reports, group discussion, written reports or presentations. The instructor reserves the option to employ one or more of these assessment methods during the course.

GRADING SCALE

90%-100% = A
80%-89.9% = B
70%-79.9% = C
60%-69.9% = D
<60% = E