



NEAR EAST UNIVERSITY - FACULTY OF EDUCATION						
		Department of English Language Teaching SYLLABUS 2013-2014 Spring Semester				
Course Code ELL 405	Course Name Survey of American Fiction	Classroom	Weekly Course Hours T A L		Credits	ECTS
Prerequisite:			0	0	0	
Language of instruction: English		Course Type: Compulsory	Year: 2013-2014		Semester: spring	
Instructor: Visiting Prof. Jim Buck E-mail: jim buckperson@gmail.com			Office Hours: After class on Tuesday Office / Room No: TBD Office / Room Phone: TBD			
Learning Outcomes	After the completion of this course, the student will be able to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ demonstrate advanced knowledge of key N. American literary texts of the 19th-21st century ▶ identify stylistic features as well as themes which characterize N. American fiction of this period ▶ place the literary texts studied in relation to history and to other forms of cultural representations ▶ recognize N. American literature as a large and significant part of Literature in English 					
Course Description	A survey of N. American short fiction from 19 th to the 21 st century					
Course Objectives	To show how American Literature both reflects and helps to shape the culture from which it arises.					
Textbooks and/or References	Course pack					
Course Content						
Methods and Techniques Used in the Course			Reading assignments, lectures, class discussions, presentations, written assignments, quizzes			
WEEKLY OUTLINE						
Week	Date	Activities		Notes	Reference	
1	17 Feb - 21 Feb	Intro to the courses Irving & Hawthorne				
2	24 Feb - 28 Feb	Hawthorne, Melville, & Poe				
3	3 Mar - 7 Mar	Twain, James, Jewett				
4	10 Mar - 14 Mar	Chopin, Gilman, Cather				
5	17 Mar - 21 Mar	Hurston, Anderson, London				
6	24 Mar - 28 Mar	Porter, Wharton, Fitzgerald				
7	31 Mar - 4 Apr	Faulkner, Hemingway, Steinbeck				
8	7 Apr - 11 Apr	Jackson, Ellison, Roth				
9	14 Apr - 18 Apr	Midterm Exams				
10	21 Apr - 25 Apr	Vonnegut, Olson, Cheever				
11	28 Apr - 2 May	O'Connor, Oates, Bambara				
12	5 May - 9 May	Silko, Paley, Updike				
13	12 May - 16 May	Carver, Wolf, Viamontes				
14	19 May - 23 May	Boyle, Wideman, Jones				
15	26 May - 30 May	Wallace, Orringer				
	2 June - 12 June	Final Exams				
Attendance: Minimum 70 %						
Assessment Breakdown:	Type		Date	%	Reference	
	1	Reading quizzes		20		
	2	Journal responses		25		
	3	Research paper		35		
	4	Presentation		10		
	5	Attendance & Participation		10		
Learning Programme						
Educational Tool	Quantity	Student Workload Hours	Educational Tool	Quantity	Student Workload Hours	
In-class Observations			Preliminary Tasks		10	
Journal Entries		15	Final Report			
Preparation for Observations			Class meetings		36	
Preparation for Discussion		60	Preparation of research paper		24	
Outside Class observations/interviews		5				
					Total	150
					Recommended ECTS Credit (Total Hours / 30) :	
					/30 = 5	