

Higher School of Education and Training—Agadir

Bachelor's Degree in Education

Secondary Education – English Language



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Module Title: Introduction to literary and cultural studies

Institution:	Higher School of Education and Training, Agadir		
Cycle:	Bachelor's Degree in Education		
Module Code :	M25		
Semester:	4		
Language of Instruction :	English		
Nature of Module:	Disciplinary		
Total Hours :	50 hours (40 in-person, 10 Online)		
Nombre de credits :	5		
Mode of Study:	In-person and Online (Hybrid)		

1. MODULE SYLLABUS

1.1. Competencies to be acquired

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Investigate a wide variety of literary and textual forms and recognize the key term appropriate to understanding different literary works.
- Acquire and practice advanced skills in the interpretation and analysis of literary works;
- Identify the main features of contemporary cultural studies.
- Discuss the key concepts of Cultural Studies with concrete examples.
- 5Apply the critical concepts in the understanding of daily life practices and popular culture.
- Question the assumptions and the fore-structures of contemporary world.
- Analyze and criticize global and local cultural practices and phenomena.

1.2. Knowledge to be acquired

This course aims to:

• Introduce students to literature as a discipline and a field of knowledge;

- Explore Cultural Studies as an academic discipline/ inter-discipline;
- Examine the specific key concepts and approaches it employs in the study of literary and other cultural texts.
- Recognize the relationship of Cultural Studies to other interdisciplinary fields, such as feminist and postcolonial studies.
- Look at the division of culture along the lines of class, race, and gender.
- Examine multiple dimensions and theories of discourse, power, and inequality in addition to the critical issues of language and meaning.

1.3. Hourly Volume

Hourly Distribution by Teaching and Evaluation Activity:

(Tutorials and practical sessions are mandatory in disciplinary and vocational modules when required by their disciplinary nature. Practical work, excluding educational actions within a school, constitutes at least 20% of the total module hours.)

	ECTS	Hourly volume (VH)						
Component of the Module		Courses	TD	TP	Activities	Personal Work	Evaluation (assessment and final exam)	Total VH
		28	6			10	6	50
ECTS/VH global du module	5	28	6			10	6	50
% VH		56%	12%			20%	12%	100%

Hourly Distribution by Mode of Instruction:

Mode of Instruction	Face-to-face	Distance Learning	Alternating	Total VH
Volume Hour	40h	10h		50h
% of Total Volume	80%	20%		100%

1.4. Detailed Module Content Description

Week	Topics
Week 1	Introduction to course (presenting the purposes and methods of Literary and Cultural Studies; discussing syllabus and assignments, and course goals and expectations)
Week 2	What is Literature?Define literature and its main genres

	Understand the role of literature in reflecting culture and human experience
Week 3	Introduction to the Novel
	 Understand the structure and features of the novel Identify key literary elements used in novels
Week 4	Poetry
	 Explore the basic forms and features of poetry Interpret meaning, tone, and emotion in a short poem
Week 5	Drama
	 Understand the characteristics of drama as a literary form Explore the structure and purpose of plays
Week 6	The Short Story
	 Define the short story and its key elements Analyze a brief narrative in terms of theme and character
Week 7	Mid-Term Exam
Week 8	 Literary criticism and theory Distinguish between literary criticism and literary theory Understand the role of theory in analyzing texts
	Culture, Society, Politics, and Cultural Studies
	Identify how power, identity, and ideology shape culture
Week 9	Matthew Arnold, F.R and Queenie Leavis and the Frankfurt School
	 Explore early cultural criticism and its moral and aesthetic focus Contrast traditional and Marxist approaches to culture
Week 10	Richard Hoggart, E.P Thompson, Raymond Williams and Working-Class Culture
	 Examine how postwar critics valued working-class life and culture Recognize the shift from elitist to lived culture in analysis
Week 11	Antonio Gramsci, Hegemony Theory and Stuart Hall
	 Understand hegemony and its role in cultural production and reception Analyze how resistance and consent operate in media and culture
Week 12	Case study: Youth subcultures and resistance
	Explore youth subcultures as forms of resistance to dominant culture
Week 13	Identity Politics, Postcoloniality (Frantz Fanon, Edward Said)

	Migration and Multiculturalism
Week 14	Evaluations

1.5. Teaching Methods and Pedagogical Resources

Participative approach; class discussions; group work; presentations.

1.6. Distance Learning Modalities (If applicable)

Moodle, Google Classroom, and other platforms depending on the pedagogical team's choice and resource availability.

1.7. Description of Personal Work (If applicable):

Further readings, analysis projects, library research, etc.

2. EVALUATION PROCEDURES

2.1. Evaluation Methods

- Final Exam: 60%
- Continuous Assessment 40%: 2 to 3 quizzes; homework assignments; class presentations; participation; portfolios

2.2. Module Grade

- 1. A module is **validated** if the student obtains a grade equal to or greater than **10 out of 20**.
- 2. A module is **acquired through compensation** if the student passes the semester to which the module belongs, provided that the grade for the module is **not lower than 7 out of 20**.

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