

SYMBIOSIS COLLEGE OF ARTS & COMMERCE

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COURSE TITLE

English Literature 1798 – 1914

Course Learning Outcomes:

On successful completion of the module students will be able to:

- 1. To have an overall understanding of the history of the literary period and its significance
- 2. To understand the basic ideas and concepts of British Romanticism and Victorianism
- 3. To develop familiarity with the literary style and literary genres of the time
- 4. To have an in-depth knowledge of the important authors of the time and their literary contribution

Gist of this
course in
maximum 3 to
4 lines

The course focuses on British Romanticism and Victorianism and their influence on the literatures of the time. The texts prescribed in the course address not only socio-cultural issues of the time but also the different genres and forms like lyrical poetry, ode, sonnet, play, novel, etc

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Unit	CONTENTS OF THE COURSE	No. of Lectur
1.	Introduction	2
2.	Poetry	
	 William Blake – London, A Little Boy Lost, A Divine 	
	Image	22
	William Wordsworth – Michael, She Dwelt Among the	
	Untrodden Ways, To the Cuckoo	
	Charlotte Smith - Huge Vapours Brood above the Clifted	
	Shore, Sonnet Written at the Close of Spring	
	• S.T. Coleridge – Frost at Midnight, Christabel	
	• Keats – Ode on a Grecian Urn, Isabella, or The Pot of Basil	
	 Shelley – To a Skylark, Hymn to Intellectual Beauty 	
	 Robert Browning – Soliloquy of the Spanish Cloister, The 	
	Last Ride Together	
	• Elizabeth Barrett Browning – 'How do I love Thee?', 'Yes,	
	call me by my pet-name' (Sonnets from the Portuguese)	
	Christina Rossetti – Goblin Market	
	• D.G. Rossetti – My Sister's Sleep, The House of Life:	
	Sonnet 36. Life-in-Love	
	 Lord Alfred Tennyson – Crossing the Bar, Tithonus 	

	Emily Bronte – No Coward Soul is Mine, A Death-Scene	
3.	Novels	
	Jane Austen - Emma	6
	Charles Dickens – Hard Times	6
	Thomas Hardy – Jude the Obscure	6
	Charlotte Bronte – Jane Eyre	
4.	Plays	
	G.B. Shaw - Candida	4 4
	• J. M. Synge – Riders to the Sea	•
5.	Prose	
	• Charles Lamb – Dream Children: A Reverie (from The Essays of	
	Elia)	2
	John Ruskin – Modern Painters (Excerpts)	
6.	Assignments	
	Seminar class - Mary Shelley - Frankenstein	2
	Home Assignment	
	Total Number of Lectures	60
Teaching Methodol ogy:	1. Lecture Method 2. Audio-Visual Method 3. Projects	

Projects / Field work as part of continuous assessment:

Topic: Projects on Romantic ode tradition/ Women sonneteers of the Victorian Age/ World of Victorian novels

Objectives: 1. To enable students to do a close reading of a play or a poem

- 2. To help students develop analytical skills required to critically appreciate a literary text
- 3. To sensitize students about literary genres through reading of select texts

Suggested Reference Books:

- M.H. Abrams, The Mirror and the Lamp: Romantic theory and the Critical Tradition. New York, 1953.
 - Wolfson, Susan. Borderlines: The Shiftings of Gender in British Romanticism. Stanford: Stanford UP, 2006.
 - Ernest Dressel North. The Wit and Wisdom of Charles Lamb. New York, London: Putnam, 1892.
 - M. Kirkham, Jane Austen, Feminism and Fiction. Brighton, 1983.
 - M. Butler, Romantics, Rebels and Reactionaries: English Literature and its Background.
 - Oxford,1981.
 - M.Praz, The Romantic Agony (London 1933)

- K.Raine, William Blake (London, 1970)
- S. Prickett, Coleridge and Wordsworth and the Poetry of Growth (Cambridge, 1970)
- S.M. Sperry, Keats, the Poet (Princeton, 1973)
- D. King-Hele, Shelley, His Thought and Work (London, 1960)
- Auerbach, Nina. *Woman and the Demon: The Life of a Victorian Myth*. Cambridge MA: Harvard University Press, 1982.
- Bloom, Harold (ed.). Bloom's Modern Critical Interpretations: Charles Dickens' Great Expectations. New York: Bloom's Literary Criticism, 2010.
- Byron, Glennis. *Dramatic Monologue*. New York: Routledge, 2003.
- Cunningham, Valentine (ed.). *Victorian Poets: A Critical Reader*. Manchester: Miley Blackwell, 2014.
- Gilbert Sandra and Susan Gubar. *The Madwoman in the Attic: The Woman Writer and the Nineteenth-Century Literary Imagination, 2nd ed.* Yale University Press: New Haven and London, USA and U.K., 2000.
- Johns Hopkins UP, 1985.
- Jusova, Iveta. New Woman and the Empire. Columbus: Ohio State University Press, 2005.
- Kranidis, Rita S. Subversive Discourse: The Cultural Production of Late Victorian Feminist Novels. London: Macmillan, 1995.
- Martin, Loy D. Browning's Dramatic Monologues and the Post Romantic Subject. Baltimore:
- Poovey, Mary. *Uneven Developments: the Ideological Work of Gender in mid-Victorian England.* Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1988.
 - Showalter, Elaine. A Literature of Their Own: British Women Novelists from Bronte to Lessing. London: Virago, 1978.