A. Policy Statements

**Required Prerequisite:** A grade of C or better in ENGL 1102 is required before a student may take any ENGL 2000-level survey of literature.

**Withdrawal Policies.** Students are encouraged to read the withdrawal policy found at https://www.mga.edu/registrar/registration/drop-add.php before dropping/withdrawing from the class (you are limited to 5 no-penalty withdrawals). Students may withdraw from the course and earn a grade of “W” up to and including the “Last Day to Withdraw” date:

- Tuesday, 2 June 2020 for “Maymester” classes (5/18-6/15)
- Thursday, 4 June 2020 for Short Session I (5/20-6/17)
- Tuesday, 30 June 2020 for Full Session (5/28-7/23)
- Thursday, 9 July 2020 for Short Session II (6/25-7/23)

After “The Last Day to Withdraw” date, students who withdraw will receive a grade of “WF.” A WF is calculated in the GPA as an “F.” Instructors may assign “W” grades for students with excessive absences (beyond the number of absences permitted by the instructor’s stated attendance policy). Students may withdraw from a maximum of five courses throughout their enrollment at Middle Georgia State. Beyond the five-course limit, withdrawals result in “F” grades.

**Class Behavior Expectations and Consequences for Violations:** Middle Georgia State University students are responsible for reading, understanding, and abiding by the MGA Student Code of Conduct. Student Code of Conduct, Responsibilities, Procedures, and Rights are found at https://www.mga.edu/student-affairs/docs/MGA_Student_Handbook.pdf#page=47.

**University Policy:** Students are responsible for reading, understanding, and adhering to all Middle Georgia State University student policies, including those linked on the Syllabus Policy page.

**MGA Policy on Disability Accommodations:** Students seeking ADA accommodations must contact Middle Georgia State University Office of Disability Services in Macon at (478) 471-2985 or in Cochran at (478) 934-3023. https://www.mga.edu/accessibility-services/

**Plagiarism Prevention Tool Notification:** a plagiarism prevention service is used in evaluation of written work submitted for this course. As directed by the instructor, students are expected to submit or have their assignments submitted through the service in order to meet requirements for this course. The papers may be retained by the service for the sole purpose of checking for plagiarized content in future student submissions.

**End of Course Evaluations:** Student evaluations of faculty are administered online at the end of each term/session for all courses with five or more students. Students will receive an email containing a link to a survey for each course in which they are enrolled. All responses are anonymous.
HB 280 Campus Carry Legislation: [https://www.mga.edu/police/campus-carry.php](https://www.mga.edu/police/campus-carry.php).

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Link to the Writing Center (not active during the Summer term—see you in the FALL/SPRING!): [https://www.mga.edu/student-success-center/writing-centers.php](https://www.mga.edu/student-success-center/writing-centers.php).


Link to IT helpdesk for computer issues: [https://www.mga.edu/technology/index.php](https://www.mga.edu/technology/index.php).

Link to online Library Help: [https://www.mga.edu/library/](https://www.mga.edu/library/).

B. Student Learning Outcomes

Students of any ENGL 2000-level literature survey (ENGL 2111, 2112, 2121, 2122, 2131, 2132, 2141 or 2142) will:

- interpret and critically analyze texts (MGA General Education Learning Goal C),
- communicate effectively, in a professional manner, in discussing or writing about works of literature in the given area/time period,
- acquire knowledge of genres, literary and historical periods, and, at least implicitly, basic approaches to literary theory,
- engage in effective library research processes,
- appreciate the aesthetic qualities and cultural values inherent in literary works.

C. Definition of Plagiarism

The following definition of plagiarism expands upon the Student Code’s description of plagiarism and has been adopted as standard by the English Department. For further explanation and illustrations, refer to the English Department’s “Plagiarism Definition,” available online at [https://www.mga.edu/arts-letters/english/docs/Plagiarism_Definition.pdf](https://www.mga.edu/arts-letters/english/docs/Plagiarism_Definition.pdf).

1. It is plagiarism to copy another’s words directly and present them as your own without quotation marks and direct indication of whose words you are copying. All significant phrases, clauses, and passages copied from another source require quotation marks and proper acknowledgment, down to the page number(s) of printed texts.

2. It is plagiarism to paraphrase another writer’s work by altering some words but communicating the same essential point(s) made by the original author without proper acknowledgment. Though quotation marks are not needed with paraphrasing, you must still acknowledge the original source directly.

3. Plagiarism includes presenting someone else’s ideas or factual discoveries as your own. If you follow another person’s general outline or approach to a topic, presenting another’s original
thinking or specific conclusions as your own, you must cite the source even if your work is in your own words entirely. When you present another’s statistics, definitions, or statements of fact in your own work, you must also cite the source.

4. Plagiarism includes allowing someone else to prepare work that you present as your own.

5. Plagiarism applies in other media besides traditional written texts, including, but not limited to, oral presentations, graphs, charts, diagrams, artwork, video and audio compositions, and other electronic media such as web pages, PowerPoint presentations, and online discussion postings.