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Baton Rouge Community College

*Academic Affairs Master Syllabus*

Date Approved: 25 September 2020

Term and Year of Implementation: Fall 2020

**Course Title:** African American Literature

**BRCC Course Rubric:** ENGL 2403

**Previous Course Rubric**: ENGL 223

**Lecture Hours per week-Lab Hours per week-Credit Hours**: 3-0-3

**Per semester: Lecture Hours-Lab Hours-Instructional Contact Hours**: 45-0-45

**Louisiana Common Course Number:** CENL 2403

**CIP Code:** 23.1404

**Course Description:** Introduces African American literature; includes literary analysis and writing about literature.

**Prerequisites:**  ENGL 1023 (or ENGL 102) with a “C” or better

**Co-requisites:** None

**Suggested Enrollment Cap:** 24

**Learning Outcomes.** *Upon successful completion of this course, the students will be able to:*

1. Recognize the value of African American literature in history and of its relationship to culture and identity.

2. Explicate the literal and figurative meaning of texts.

3. Apply writing skills learned in college composition to write critically about literature.

**General Education Learning Outcome(s):** This course supports the development of competency in the following area(s). Students will:

Interpret the human condition and cultures in works of art. (General Education Competency in Diverse Perspectives)

**Assessment Measures.** Assessment of all learning outcomes will be measured using the following methods:

1. Instructor-designed quizzes and/or written assignments

2. Instructor-designed essay assignment to be graded with a departmental rubric

**Information to be included on the Instructor’s Course Syllabi:**

* ***Disability Statement*:** Baton Rouge Community College seeks to meet the needs of its students in many ways. See the Office of Disability Services to receive suggestions for disability statements that should be included in each syllabus.
* ***Grading:*** The College grading policy should be included in the course syllabus. Any special practices should also go here. This should include the instructor’s and/or the department’s policy for make-up work. For example in a speech course, “Speeches not given on due date will receive no grade higher than a sixty” or “Make-up work will not be accepted after the last day of class”.
* ***Attendance Policy*:** Include the overall attendance policy of the college. Instructors may want to add additional information in individual syllabi to meet the needs of their courses.
* ***General Policies*:** Instructors’ policy on the use of things such as beepers and cell phones and/or hand held programmable calculators should be covered in this section.
* ***Cheating and Plagiarism*:** This must be included in all syllabi and should include the penalties for incidents in a given class. Students should have a clear idea of what constitutes cheating in a given course.
* ***Safety Concerns:*** In some courses, this may be a major issue. For example, “No student will be allowed in the lab without safety glasses”. General statements such as, “Items that may be harmful to one’s self or others should not be brought to class”.
* ***Library/ Learning Resources:*** Since the development of the total person is part of our mission, assignments in the library and/or the Learning Resources Center should be included to assist students in enhancing skills and in using resources. Students should be encouraged to use the library for reading enjoyment as part of lifelong learning.

**Expanded Course Outline:**

I. Minimum number of words students should write 4,500 words (including essays, tests, quizzes, and journals)

II. Suggested authors

1. Maya Angelou

2. Toni Cade Bambara

3. Gwendolyn B. Bennett

4. Marita Bonner

5. Arna Bontemps

6. Sterling A. Brown

7. Charles W. Chesnutt

8. Anna Julia Cooper

9. James D. Corrothers

10. Countee Cullen

11. W. E. B. Du Bois

12. Paul Laurence Dunbar

13. Ralph Ellison

14. Mari Evans

15. Jessie Redman Fauset

16. Hoyt Fuller

17. Nikki Giovanni

18. Angelina Weld Grimke

19. Lorraine Hansberry

20. Pauline E. Hopkins

21. Langston Hughes

22. Zora Neale Hurston

23. Helene Johnson

24. James Weldon Johnson

25. Maulana Karenga

26. Etheridge Knight

27. Nella Larsen

28. Alain Locke

29. Haki R. Madhubuti

30. Claude McKay

31. Ann Petry

32. Arthur A. Schomburg

33. Wallace Thurman

34. Booker T. Washington

35. Richard Wright

36. Malcolm X