

Northwestern Connecticut Community College

COURSE SYLLABUS

Course Title: American Literature II **Course #:** ENG* 222

Course Description:

3 semester hours

This course will introduce students to American Literature from 1865 to the present.

Pre-requisite/Co-requisite: Prerequisite: ENG* 102 or consent of instructor.

Goals:

- To enhance the students' awareness and understanding of American Literature through the study and interpretation of literary works.
- To expand the students' understanding of literary analysis and criticism.
- To further refine the students' skills in researching and writing about literature.

Outcomes: By the end of English 222, students will be able to demonstrate:

- Ability to analyze various literary texts by American writers.
- Ability to use a vocabulary suited to analyzing and writing about literature in responding to these texts.
- Competence in writing papers that demonstrate that students are able
 - to do a close reading of a text
 - to use literary criticism and other primary & secondary materials to interpret the text and its context.
- Independent critical thinking directed at the comprehension and criticism/analysis of literature.