

NORTHWESTERN CONNECTICUT COMMUNITY COLLEGE

COURSE SYLLABUS

Course Title: Creative Writing

Course #: 281

Course Description: Three (3) credits. Eng 281 provides opportunity for the composition of original works in fiction, poetry and drama. Participants work from exercises and assignments in preparation for completed original stories, poems and dramatic scenes. Assignments involve working in a variety of writing approaches, including dialogue, point of view, narration, and description. The class is structured as a workshop; students share their work and critiques with the class.

Pre-requisite/Co-requisite: English 101 or consent of the instructor.

Goals:

- To deepen student appreciation and knowledge of various types of fiction, poetry, and drama.
- To encourage students to further develop their own abilities and skills in the genres of fiction, poetry and drama.
- To provide students with direct experience in writing from their imagination, and the chance to pursue projects of their own choosing.
- To introduce students to the work of professional writers when possible in the form of visiting authors, who will read and present their work to the class for student discussion and inquiry and a glimpse “behind the scenes.”

Outcomes:

- The student will gain a deeper appreciation and knowledge of various types of fiction and poetry.
- The student will have further developed his or her own abilities and skills in the genre of fiction, drama and poetry.
- The student will have gained direct experience in writing from his/her imagination, and the chance to pursue projects of his/her own choosing.