

# Dakota County Technical College

## ENGL 1400: American Short Story

### A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 3

Lecture Hours/Week: 3

Lab Hours/Week: \*.\*

OJT Hours/Week: \*.\*

Prerequisites: None

Corequisites: None

MnTC Goals: Goal 06 - Humanities/Fine Arts

This course emphasizes the review and analysis of examples of the short story format. These stories will be by various American writers from the period 1789 to the present. Also included in the course content are critical reading and logical reasoning.

Meets MnTC Goal 6

**B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES:** 02/23/2001 - Present

**C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS**

## **D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)**

1. outline story plots
2. compare and contrast story themes
3. determine theme significance
4. read assigned stories
5. observe comparisons and images
6. write story essay
7. view related videos
8. analyze examples of conflict
9. discuss student reactions
10. prepare in-class presentation
11. examine story forms
12. analyze writer vocabulary and sentence structure
13. explain symbolism
14. determine story audience
15. critique writing styles
16. specify story details
17. determine terminology writing
18. research authors
19. demonstrate ability to write analytically
20. collect new information, ideas and examples
21. determine point of view
22. demonstrate critical thinking
23. gather evidence and make judgments for evaluation
24. take notes on reading
25. respond to reading by summarizing
26. make connections between stories
27. identify metaphorical examples
28. read assigned stories
29. define terminology writing

## **E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies**

Goal 06 - Humanities/Fine Arts

1. Demonstrate awareness of the scope and variety of works in the arts and humanities.
2. Understand those works as expressions of individual and human values within an historical and social context.
3. Respond critically to works in the arts and humanities.
4. Articulate an informed personal reaction to works in the arts and humanities.

## **F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT**

As noted on course syllabus

## **G. SPECIAL INFORMATION**

None noted