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PAPER V

AMERICAN LITERATURE

(2014-2015, 2015-2016, 2016-2017)

Objectives:

- 1. To acquaint the students with the $19^{\rm th}$ and $20^{\rm th}$ century historical, socio-cultural background of the American Literature
- 2. To introduce the students to the classics in American Literature
- 3. To familiarize the students with the trends and movements that shaped the American Literature
- 4. To acquaint the students with cross-cultural perspectives and discussions on American Literature

General Topics:

- 1) Puritanism
- 2) Transcendentalism
- 3) The Frontier
- 4) The Adamic Myth in American Literature
- 5) American Dream

Fiction:

1) Nathaniel Hawthorne The Scarlet Letter

2) Mark Twain The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn

Poetry:

1) Walt Whitman Passage to India

- 2) Edgar Allen Poe The Raven
- 3) Emily Dickenson 1) Because I Could Not Stop For Death
 - 2) I Taste a Liquor Never Brewed

Prose:

- 1) R.W. Emerson The American Scholar
- 2) H.D. Thoreau Civil Disobedience
- 3) Henry Adams American Ideals

SEMESTER IV

General Topics:

- 1. Pragmatism
- 2. Naturalism
- 3. Expressionism
- 4. The Lost Generation
- 5. The Southern Renaissance

Fiction:

- 1. William Faulkner: As I Lay Dying
- 2. Ernest Hemingway: A Farewell to Arms

Poetry:

- 1. Robert Frost: 1) After Apple Picking
 - 2) Stopping by Woods On a Snowy Evening
- 2. Wallace Stevens 1) Sunday Morning
 - 2) Of Modern Poetry

Drama:

- 1. Arthur Miller Death of a Salesman
- 2. Tennessee Williams Cat on a Hot Tin Roof

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PAPER VI

CONTEMPORARY CRITICAL THEORY

(2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17)

Objectives:

- 1. To provide a brief overview of the major tenets, practitioners, and ideas stemming from various critical and theoretical movements and/or schools.
- 2. To acquaint students with important schools of literary criticism with the help of representative texts.
- 3. To acquaint students with different trends and bearings of literary criticism and help them grasp methods and techniques of interpreting literature.
- 4. To identify and discuss some of the viewpoints opposed to the practice of literary criticism.

SEMESTER III

General Topics:

- 1. Author and Authorship
- 2. Russian Formalism
- 3. Formalism and New Criticism
- 4. Structuralism
- 5. Reader Response Theory
- 6. Archetypal Criticism and Genre Theory

Text:

- 1. Cleanth Brooks *Irony as Principle of the Structure*
- 2. Victor Shklovsky Art as Technique

- 3. Roland Barthes The Death of the Author
- 4. Stanley Fish Is there a Text in the Class?
- 5. Claude Levi-Strauss The Structural Study of Myth
- 6. Northrop Frye *The Archetypes of Literature*

Critical Terms:

- 1. Intentional fallacy
- 2. Affective fallacy
- 3. Anxiety of influence
- 4. Intention and extension in poetry
- 5. Close Reading
- 6. Collective Unconscious
- 7. Hermeneutics
- 8. Literariness
- 9. Defamiliarization
- 10. Fabula and Sjuzet
- 11. Motif

SEMESTER IV

General Topics:

- 1. Marxist Theory
- 2. Psychoanalysis
- 3. Eco-Feminism
- 4. Post-structuralism
- 5. Deconstruction
- 6. New Historicism

Texts:

- 1. Terry Eagleton Capitalism, Modernism and Postmodernism
- 2. Elaine Showalter Feminist Criticism in the Wilderness
- 3. Jacques Derrida Structure, Sign and Play in the Discourse of the Human Science
- 4. Jean BaudrillardSimulacra and Simulation
- 5. Stephen GreenblattResonance and Wonder
- 6. Wolfgang IserThe Reading Process: A Phenomenological Approach

Critical Terms:

- 1. Base and Superstructure
- 2. Erasure
- 3. Phonocentrism
- 4. Logocentrism
- 5. Grand Narratives
- 6. Hyperreality
- 7. Discursive Practice
- 8. Dissemination
- 9. Hegemony
- 10. Mytheme
- 11. Thick Description

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PAPER NO. VII

POSTCOLONIAL LITERATURE

(2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17)

Objectives:

- 1. To introduce the students to the study of Postcolonial Literature.
- 2. To help students get acquainted with different aspects and constituents of Postcolonial Literature.
- 3. To assist students to develop insights into Postcolonial sensibilities through representative texts and writers.
- 4. To motivate the interpretation of the literary responses given by the societies freed from the colonial rulers.

SEMESTER III

General Topics:

- 1. Major Issues in Postcolonial Literature
- 2. Hybridity of Language and Culture in Postcolonial Literature
- 3. Oriental-Occidental Dichotomy

Poetry:

John Agard Listen, Mr. Oxford Don
Derek Walcott A Far Cry from Africa
Gwendolyn Brooks Primer for Blacks

4. Bernard Dadie I Give You Thanks My God

5. <u>Jeremy Cronin</u> A Person is a Person Because of Other People

6. Roberta Sykes *Miscegenation*

Fiction:

1. Chinua Achebe Things Fall Apart

2. George Lamming In the Castle of my Skin

Essay:

1. Edward Said *Crisis* (**From** Orientalism)

2. NgugiwaThiong'o The Language of African Literature

(From Decolonizing the Mind)

3. Frantz Fanon National Culture

(From Ashcroft, Bill, Gareth Griffiths and Helen

Tiffin. Post-Colonial Studies Reader. London / New York:

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SEMESTER IV

General Topics:

- 1. Quest for Identity
- 2. Race, Gender and Ethnicity in Postcolonial Literature
- 3. Decolonization in Postcolonial Literature

Poetry: Selected Poems by Benjamin Zephaniah

- 1. The British
- 2. The Race Industry
- 3. *Dis poetry*
- 4. Everybody is Doing It
- 5. The Death of Joy Gardner
- 6. Save Our Sons

Fiction:

- 1.NgugiwaThiong'o Devil on the Cross
- 2. Margaret Laurence A Jest of God

Essay:

- 1] Partha Chatterjee Nationalism as Problem
- 2] HomiBhabha Cultural Diversity and Cultural Differences
- 3] Gareth Griffith The Myth of Authenticity
- 4] Marjery Fee Who Can Write as Other

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PAPER VIII (ELECTIVE) (A)

TRANSLATION STUDIES

(In sequel to Comparative Studies from MA 1 year)

(2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17)

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Objectives:

- 1. To introduce to the students contemporary theoretical issues in Translation Studies
- 2. To introduce texts from different languages and cultural contexts.
- 3. To help students comprehend major issues and methods in Literary Translation

SEMESTER III

General Topics:

- 1. Literary Translation: Major Issues and Methods
- 2. Descriptive Translation Studies
- 3. Stylistic Approach to Translation
- 4. Translation as a Cognitive Activity

Essay:

- Micaela Munoz-Calvo Translation and Cross Cultural Communication (from Translation and Cultural Identity: Selected Essays on Translation and Cross-Cultural Communication)
- 2. Walter Benjamin *The Task of the Translator*(from The Translation Studies Reader Ed: Lawrence Venuti)
- 3. Anthony Pym *Translation Depends on Transfer*(from Translation and Text Transfer: An Essay on the Principles of Intercultural Communication)
- 4. Michael Zeller *On Translation* (from Quarterly Literary Review, Singapur)

5. Roman Jakobson*On Linguistic Aspects of Translation*(from The Translation Studies Reader Ed: Lawrence Venuti)

Poetry:

- 1. Shen Yo*Dreaming of a Dead Lady* (from Chinese by Arthur Waley)
- 2. Bertolt Brecht *The Solution* (from German by Michel Hamburger)
- 3. David Diop*Your Presence* (from French by Gerald Moore and UlliBeier)
- 4. David Diop*Defiance Against Force* (from French by John Reed and Clive Wake)
- 5. David Diop*Africa* (from French by Gerald Moore and UlliBeier)
- 6. Rihaku (Li Po) *The River Merchant's Wife: A Letter* (by Ezra Pound)
- 7. Bernard Dadie The lines of our Hands (from French by John Reed and Clive Wake)

Drama:

- 1. Euripides Hippolytus
- 2. Vijay Tendulkar Sakharam Binder

SEMESTER IV

General Topics:

- 1. Translation as Interpretation
- 2. The Notion of Textual Equivalence in Translation
- 3. Question of Authenticity in Translation
- 4. Ethics and Politics in Translation

Poetry:

- 1. Sunil Gangopadh The Search: Freedom (from Bengali by Pradeep Banerjee)
- 2. Nikhileshwar*Bitter Truth*(from Telugu by I. V. Subba Rao)
- 3. SubramaniaBharati*In the Sugarcane Fields* (from Tamil by ManishankarAiyar)
- 4. HarivanshRaiBachchanWine House (Madhushalafrom Hindi)
- 5. O. N. V. Kurup*My Songs* (from Malayalam by A. J. Thomas)
- 6. SitakantMahapatraSunset in a Bus Mirror (from Oriya by Mark Helprin and SuraRath)
- 7. PareshNarendraKamat*Deep Runs the Well* (from Konkani by SacheenPaiRaikar)
- 8. Ashok Vajpeyi*The Word* (from Hindi by Krishna BaldevVaid)

- 9. Shakti Chatto*Say You Do Love* (from Bengali by Keya Mujumdar)
- 10. MallikaSenguptaIf I could be Twenty Again(from Bengali by SenguptaDasgupta)

Short Stories:

- 1. MunsiPremchanda*Catastrophe* (Vidhwans)
- 2. Sadata Hasan Manto Toba Tek Singh
- 3. BhupenMahapatra*The Dark God*
- 4. SharankumarLimbale*Blue Flags*

Novels:

- 1. Shivshankara Pillai *Chemeen*(Trans. Anita Nair)
- 2. BhalchndraNemade*Cacoon*(Trans. SudhakarMarathe)

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PAPER VIII (ELECTIVE) (B)

CULTURAL STUDIES

(In sequel to World Literature from MA 11 year)

(2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17)

Objectives:

- 1. To develop a clear grasp of the key concepts of cultural studies.
- 2. To help understand the cultural dynamics of society with the help of contemporary theory.
- 3. To provide an exposure to various forms of cultural expression.
- 4. To familiarize the student with the rich and complex cultures of the world.
- 5. To develop critical and analytical abilities through case studies focused on specific texts.

SEMESTER III

Survey Topics:

- 1. What is Culture?
- 2. Bhakti Movement in India
- 3. Nationalism In India

Essays:

- 1. RaymondWilliams The Analysis of Culture
- 2. M. K. Gandhi What is True Civilization?

(Ch. XIII from *HIND SWARAJ*)

3. BhalchandraNemade Nativism in Literature

Novel:

1. SadanandDeshmukhTwelve Enduring Months (Baromaas)

(Translated By Vilas Salunke)

Poetry

1. AkkaMahadevi I have Fallen in Love

Don't Despise Me

2. Tukaram Within My Heart (from Frazer's Translation of

Tukaram)

3. Meerabai A Limb Just Moved

4. Maya Angelou I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings

5. Sarojini Naidu Humayanto Zobeida

6. Mariska The Pen is Mightier than the Sword (Written in memory

of Professor Kofi Awoonor, killed in Kenya 2013)

7. Yap, Arthur: Location

SEMESTER IV

Survey Topics:

- 1. Indian Feminism: Gender and Culture
- 2. Impact of Indigenous Culture on Literature
- 3. Dalit and Rural Literature
- 4. Cyberculture

Essay:

- 1. GayatriChakravortySpivak Can the Subaltern Speak?
- 2. TarabaiShinde A Comparison between Women and Men
- 3. Hall, Stuart Cultural Studies and its Theoretical Legacies

Novel:

1. U. R. Ananthamurthy *Bharathipura*

Short Story:

1. Mahaswheta Devi Breast Stories

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