TENNESSEE TECH UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

ENGL 3810-001 –BRITISH LITERATURE I

MWF, 9:05-10AM, HENDERSON HALL 305, 3 CREDIT HOURS**,** SPRING 2014

# INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION

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OFFICE HOURS

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# COURSE INFORMATION

PREREQUISITES

Minimum grade of C in ENGL 1010 and ENGL 1020; one course from among ENGL 2130, ENGL 2230, and ENGL 2330. The prerequisite for upper-division courses of ENGL 2130 or ENGL 2230 or ENGL 2330 is waived for ENGL and SEEN majors

TEXTS AND REFERENCES

**Required:**

* The Norton Anthology of English Literature (Volume A: The Middle Ages)
* The Norton Anthology of English Literature (Volume B. The Sixteenth Century/The Early Seventeenth Century
* The Norton Anthology of English Literature (Volume C: The Restoration and the Eighteenth Century
* The Vicar of Wakefield, Oliver Goldsmith
* Mansfield Park, Jane Austen (Norton Edition)

COURSE DESCRIPTION

ENGL 3810 is intended for English majors and Secondary Education English majors. It is a survey of British authors from Old English through the eighteenth century.

COURSE OBJECTIVES/STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

Students who successfully complete ENGL 3810 should be able to write and speak clearly, read perceptively and think critically; demonstrate an understanding of historical traditions in British literature; demonstrate an understanding of the functions and historical development of the English language.

MAJOR TEACHING METHODS

Lectures, Discussion, Reading, and Written Assignments

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONAL PLATFORM/MATERIALS

TTU’s online instructional technology platform iLearn is used in the course.

TOPICS TO BE COVERED

* Introduction to the Middle Ages
* The Myth of Arthur
* Introduction to the Sixteenth Century
* Sonnets (covered in the oral reports)
* Drama (miracle plays, morality plays, Shakespeare, Marlowe)
* Metaphysical poetry (Donne)
* Neoclassical poetry (Pope)
* Beginning of the essay: Steele, “The Spectator’s Club,” “The Aims of the Spectator,” “Inkle and Yarico,”

Addison, “The Royal Exchange,” “Wit: True, False, Mixed,” “On the Scale of Being” Johnson, “On Idleness,” “On Fiction,” “Biography” Preface to his dictionary

* Beginning of the novel (The Vicar of Wakefield and Mansfield Park
* Transition to Romanticism (Gray and Goldsmith)

GRADING AND EVALUATION PROCEDURES

GRADING SCALE (IF APPLICABLE)

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| **Letter Grade** | **Grade Range** |
| A | 90-100 |
| B | 80-89 |
| C | 70-79 |
| D | 60-69 |
| F | 59 and below |

# COURSE POLICIES

STUDENT ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT POLICY

Maintaining high standards of academic integrity in every class at Tennessee Tech is critical to the reputation of Tennessee Tech, its students, alumni, and the employers of Tennessee Tech graduates. The Student Academic Misconduct Policy describes the definitions of academic misconduct and policies and procedures for addressing Academic Misconduct at Tennessee Tech. For details, view the Tennessee Tech’s Policy 217 – Student Academic Misconduct at [Policy Central.](https://tntech.policytech.com/dotNet/noAuth/login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2fDefault.aspx%3fauto%3dfalse&amp;auto=false&amp;public=true)

ATTENDANCE POLICY:

* **Absences:** Class attendance is important, partly because we will have an in-class quiz or other type of evaluation almost everyday. If you take the quiz/evaluation and then leave the class, your grade on that assignment will not be counted. EXCEPTION: If you become ill during class, by all means, leave; however, the next time you return to class, Tennessee Tech University Standardized Course Syllabus Sample be sure to explain. Otherwise, your quiz/evaluation will not be accepted. Students who miss more than one fourth of the class meetings will not pass the class.
* **Tardiness:** Tardiness is rudeness. If you come to class after the quiz/evaluation has begun, questions that have already been read will not be repeated.

CLASS PARTICIPATION:

High-quality class participation and discussion are expected.

ASSIGNMENTS AND RELATED POLICY:

Essays must be handed in on time to receive credit. Essays handed in after 9:15 on the due date will not be accepted.

DISABILITY ACCOMMODATION

Students with a disability requiring accommodations should contact the Accessible Education Center (AEC). An Accommodation Request (AR) should be completed as soon as possible, preferably by the end of the first week of the course. The AEC is located in the Roaden University Center, Room 112; phone 931-372-6119. For details, view the Tennessee Tech’s Policy 340 – [Services for Students with Disabilities at Policy Central](https://tntech.policytech.com/docview/?docid=1131&public=true).