



### Course Specification of Contemporary Fiction

I. Course Identification and General Information:					
1	Course Title:	Contemporary Fiction			
2	Course Number & Code:	LIT 5212			
3	Credit hours:	C.H			
		Theoretical	Practical	Training	Seminar
		3	-	-	-
4	Study level/ semester at which this course is offered:	First Year/ First Semester.			
5	Pre –requisite (if any):	None			
6	Co –requisite (if any):	None			
7	Program (s) in which the course is offered:	Master in English Literature.			
8	Language of teaching the course:	English			
9	Location of teaching the course:	Department of English.			
10	Prepared by:	Dr. Iman Abdullah Yahya Al Mahdi.			
11	Date of approval:				

### II. Course description:

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### I. Intended learning outcomes (ILOs) of the course:

After completing this course, students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of English contemporary fiction such as novel, short story, drama and prose.
2. Show awareness of the historical, cultural and social conditions which affect the ways in which writers of fictions construct their meaning.
3. Differentiate between interdisciplinary and contextual approaches, including the study of fictional texts in their historical context.
4. Analyze with a strong sense of knowledge in critical thinking various fictional texts.
5. Manipulate critical sensibilities and interpret contemporary fictional structures.
6. Apply the power of inquiry, critical and creative thinking, collaborative problem solving and foster openness of mind.
7. Employ skills of reasoning, analysis, creativity and research collect and communicate information.
8. Reconstruct new methods and hypothesis by using modern technology.

### III. Intended learning outcomes (ILOs) of the course:

#### (A) Knowledge and Understanding:

Alignment of Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs) to Program Intended Learning Outcomes (PILOs) in: **Knowledge and Understanding.**

Program Intended Learning Outcomes (Sub-PILOs) in: Knowledge and Understanding		Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs) in: Knowledge and Understanding	
After completing this program, students will be able to:		After completing this course, students will be able to:	
A3-	Demonstrate in depth knowledge of history and culture in the widest English sense, which will enable them to understand literary contexts and interpret various literary text	a1-	Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of English contemporary fiction such as novel, short story, drama and prose.

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		٢a	Show awareness of the historical, cultural and social conditions which affect the ways in which writers of fictions construct their meaning.
<b>Teaching And Assessment Strategies For Achieving Learning Outcomes:</b>			
<b>Alignment of Learning Outcomes of Knowledge and Understanding to Teaching and Assessment Strategies:</b>			
Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs) in Knowledge and Understanding		Teaching strategies to be used	Strategies of assessment
After completing this course, students will be able to:			
a1-	Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of English contemporary fiction such as novel, short story, drama and prose.	1. Interactive lectures 2. Guided individual reading, including internet research. 3. Group discussions. 4. Exercises in lectures and seminars. 5. Presentation and discussions in class.	1. Achievement test 1. Assignments 2. Presentations. 3. Quizzes. 4. Oral assessment and feedback.
a2	Show awareness of the historical, cultural and social conditions which affect the ways in which writers of fictions construct their meaning.		

<b>(B) Intellectual Skills:</b>			
<b>Alignment of Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs) to Program Intended Learning Outcomes (PILOs) in: Intellectual skills</b>			
Program Intended Learning Outcomes (Sub-PILOs) in Intellectual skills		Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs) of Intellectual Skills	
After completing this program, students will be able to:		After completing this course, students will be able to:	
B2-	Identifies the differences between various genres of literature and respond to them critically	b1-	Differentiate between interdisciplinary and contextual approaches, including the study of fictional texts in their historical context.
		٢b	Analyze with a strong sense of knowledge in

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			critical thinking various fictional texts
<b>Teaching and Assessment Strategies for Achieving Learning Outcomes:</b>			
<b>Alignment of Learning Outcomes of Intellectual Skills to Teaching Strategies and Assessment Strategies:</b>			
Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs) in Intellectual Skills.		Teaching strategies to be used	Strategies of assessment
After completing this course, students will be able to:			
b1-	Differentiate between interdisciplinary and contextual approaches, including the study of fictional texts in their historical context.	1. Classroom discussions 2. Group and pair work 3. Exercises 4. Problem solving 5. Simulations.	1. Written examinations 2. Assignments 3. Quizzes 4. Presentations 5. Oral assessment and feedback.
b2	Analyze with a strong sense of knowledge in critical thinking various fictional texts		

<b>(C) Professional and Practical Skills:</b>			
Alignment of Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs) to Program Intended Learning Outcomes (PILOs) in: Professional and Practical Skills			
Program Intended Learning Outcomes (Sub-PILOs) in Professional and Practical Skills		Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs) in Professional and Practical Skills	
After completing this program, students will be able to:		After completing this course, students will be able to:	
C2-	Apply theories related to the representation of culture, race, class, gender issues in interpreting various types of texts of fiction and non-fiction.	c1-	Manipulate critical sensibilities and interpret contemporary fictional structures.
		c2.	Apply the power of inquiry, critical and creative thinking, collaborative problem solving and foster openness of mind.

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Alignment of Learning Outcomes of Professional and Practical Skills to Teaching and Assessment Strategies:			
Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs) in Professional and Practical Skills		Teaching strategies to be used	Strategies of assessment
After completing this course, students will be able to:		1. Lectures 2. Tutorials 3. Seminars 4. Presentations 5. Team projects.	1. Written examinations 2. Assignments 3. Presentations 4. Quizzes 5. Oral assessment and feed back 6. Coursework activities
c1-	Manipulate critical sensibilities and interpret contemporary fictional structures.		
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(D) General / Transferable Skills:			
Alignment of Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs) to Program Intended Learning Outcomes (PILOs) in: General and Transferable skills			
Program Intended Learning Outcomes (PILOs) in General / Transferable skills		Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs) in General / Transferable skills	
After completing this program, students will be able to:		After completing this course, students will be able to:	
D3-	Use technology as a means to discover, apply, and communicate knowledge and information.	d1-	Employ skills of reasoning, analysis, creativity and research collect and communicate information.
		d2-	Reconstruct new methods and hypothesis by using modern technology

Teaching And Assessment Strategies For Achieving Learning Outcomes:			
Alignment of Learning Outcomes of General and Transferable skills to Teaching and Assessment Strategies:			
Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs) in General and Transferable Skills		Teaching strategies to be used	Strategies of assessment
After completing this course, students will be able to:		1. Self and independent learning 2. Group and pair work 3. Exercises	1. Written assignments 2. Quizzes 3. Course work activities 4. Oral assessment
d1-	Employ skills of reasoning, analysis, creativity and research collect and communicate information.		



d2	Reconstruct new methods and hypothesis by using modern technology	4. Problem solving 5. Presentation by students 6. Group projects.	and open presentation 5. Report writing 6. Authentic assessment
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#### IV. Course Content:

##### 1 – Course Topics/Items:

No	Topic List / Units	CILOs (symbols)	Sub-topic List	Number of weeks	Contact hours
1	Introduction	١a	introduction	١	٣
2	la Baddawi by Lei Abdulrazzak	٢c, ٢b, ٢a	- Introduction of Baddawi and modern fiction	٢	٦
3	major themes of novel with analysis	٢c, ١b, ١a	- Analysis of major themes and characters from the novel Baddawi	٢	٦
4	The Last Illusion by Porochista Khakpor	٢c, ٢b, ٢a	Introduction of Porochista and The novel The last Illusion	٢	٦
5	Description and analysis of the novel the last illusion	١b, ٢c, ١a	Compare and contrastive analysis of each characters	٣	٩
6	mid term exam	١d, ١c, ١b, ١a	Mid semester exam	١	٣
7	presntation	١d, ١c, ١b, ١a	Oral presentation of each novel	١	٣
8	debate	٢d, ٢c, ٢b, ٢a	- Debate between two groups of students in fiction	١	٣
9	final revision for final exam	١d, ١c, ١b, ١a	complete portion revision for final exam	١	٣
10			-		
Number of Weeks /and Units Per Semester				14	٤٢

##### b- Training Aspect:

No	Training Tasks	CILOs (symbols)	Number of weeks	Contact hours
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#### V. Teaching strategies of the course:

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3. Group discussions
4. Tutorials
5. Presentations and discussions.
6. Group and pair work.
7. Problem solving.
8. Simulations.

#### 3-Assessment Strategies:

1. Achievement tests.
2. Assignments
3. Presentations
4. Quizzes
5. Oral assessment and feed back
6. Written examinations
7. Course work activities.
8. Authentic assessment.

#### I. Tasks and Assignments

No.	Tasks and Assignments	Week Due	Mark	Aligned Course Learning Outcomes (CILOs symbols)
1	Oral exams	3	5	a1,b1,c1.d1.d2
2	Presentation	6	5	a1,b1,c1,c2,d1,d2
3	Essay writing on comparative Analysis	9	5	a1,b1,c1,c2
4	Debates	12	5	d1, d2
5	Revision, Quiz	14&15		d1,d2
Total			20	

#### VI. Schedule of Assessment Tasks for Students During the Semester:

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No.	Assessment Method	Week Due	Mark	Proportion of Final Assessment	Aligned Course Learning Outcomes (CILOs symbols)
1	Ongoing assessments (based on in-class participation- regularity- punctuality- language use)	Throughout the semester	10	10%	a1, b1, c1, c2, d1, d2
2	Home assignments	3-6-9-12	10	10%	a1, b1, c1, c2, d1, d2
3	Mid-Semester Test	8	15	15%	a1, b1, c1, c2
4	Presentations	14&15	5	5%	a1, b1, c1, c2, d1, d2
5	Final Exam	wk16	60	60%	a1, b1, c1, c2
<b>Total</b>			<b>100</b>	<b>100%</b>	

## VII. Learning Resource (MLA style or APA style)S:

### 1- Required Textbook(s) ( maximum two )

1. Leila Abdulrazak (2015), *Baddawi*, World books publicans.
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### 5. Electronic Materials and Web Sites etc.

1. [Twitter:@bookriot](https://twitter.com/bookriot)
2. [Twitter:@electriclit](https://twitter.com/electriclit)
3. [www.amazon online library.](http://www.amazon.com)
4. [www.google fiction collections.](http://www.google.com)
5. [www.google contemporary fictions](http://www.google.com)
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### 6. Other Learning Material:

1. Literary books,
2. Online electronic library.

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7	<b>Other policies:</b> The Higher Studies By-law and University regulations in force will be strictly observed and students shall comply with all rules and regulations of the examination set by the Department, Faculty and University Administration.

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II. - Information about Faculty Member Responsible for the Course:						
Name of Faculty Member	Dr. Iman Abdullah Al Mahdi	Office Hours				
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		Th.	Seminar	Pr.	F. Tr.	
		۳				۳
4-	Study level/year at which this course is offered:	First semester first year				
5-	Pre –requisite (if any):	none				
6-	Co –requisite (if any):	none				
7-	Program (s) in which the course is offered	MA Progrmame				
8-	Language of teaching the course:	English				
9-	System of Study:	Regular				
10-	Mode of delivery:	Interactive lectures				
11-	Location of teaching the course:	Department of English				

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#### VI. Course Content:

##### A – Theoretical Aspect:

No	Topics List	Week Due	Contact Hours
1	- Introduction	١ W.	٣
2	- Introduction to novel Baddawi by Leila Abdulrazak	٢ W.	٣
3	- Analysis and critical writing with presentation oral test about the novel	٣ W.	٣
4	- Introduction to novel The last Illusion by Porochista Khakpour	٤ W.	٣
5	Comparative analysis between two novels	٥ W.	٣

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6	each novel oral presentation of	٦W.	٣
7	Mid semester exams	٧W.	٣
8	Comparative analysis of major characters in the novel Baddawi	٨W.	٣
9	Comparative analysis of the major characters in the novel The Last Illusion	٩w.	٣
10	Debates of students in separate groups contemporary fictional themes	١٠W.	٣
11	Quiz	١١w.	٣
12	- Critical analysis on each novel	١٢w.	٣
13	Seminar on each themes of novel	١٣w.	٣
14	Contemporary fiction and its usage in modern life	١٤w.	٣
15	- Revision for final exams	١٥w.	
16	Final exams	١٦.w	٣
Number of Weeks /and Units Per Semester		16	٤٨

Training Aspects:			
No	Training Tasks	Number of weeks	Contact hours
1			
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I. Tasks and Assignments			
No.	Tasks and Assignments	Week Due	Mark
1	Oral exams on novel Baddawi	٣	٥
2	Presentation by each student on themes of the novel	٦	٥
3	Essay writing on comparison between different characters from each novel	٩	٥
٤	Debates between two groups of students with different novels	١٢	٥
5			
Total			20

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No.	Type of Assessment Tasks	Week Due	Mark	Proportion of Final Assessment
1	Oral assessment and feed back	Throughout the semester	10	10%
2	Home assignments	3-6-9-12	10	10%
3	Mid-Semester Test	8	15	15%
4	Presentations	14&15	5	5%
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<b>5. Other Learning Material:</b>	
	Books, Online library reference. Electronic Library.

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