Eastern Illinois University

New Course Proposal

English 3099G, Myth and Culture, Honors

1. Catalog Description

a) English 3099G
b) Myth and Culture, Honors
c) (3-0-3)
d) On demand
e) Myth/Culture
f) Through comparative analysis of myths from diverse cultural traditions, the course will examine relationships among mythical, historical, theological, socio-anthropological, and scientific ways of understanding. (Group 2)
g) Prerequisite: Eng 1002G or Eng 1092G and admission to the University Honors Program.
h) English 3099G is a writing-intensive course.

Honors English 3099G is an accelerated version of the standard course (see attached course proposal). Increased demands on both students and instructors in Honors sections are possible because of reduced class size (maximum 18 students).

Honors English 3099G will follow the standard course outline, but when possible instructors will assign complete works rather than selections.

Emphasis will be placed on the students’ ability to discuss the assigned texts analytically. To facilitate this, instructors will develop further the discussion questions listed in the attached outline, will require students to make class presentations, and will expect students to comment extensively in class on the assigned texts.

The writing assignment for Honors English 3099G will be a ten-page research paper, written in consultation with the instructor. A student will be required to produce multiple drafts, and the instructor will evaluate the writing project based not only on content and development but also on the writer’s prose style.

Examinations in Honors English 3099G will reflect the deeper insight into the texts and their socio-historical and philosophical contexts that will have emerged during the class discussions.

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