English 2327.5172: Survey of American Literature I

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Credit Hours: 3 lecture hours **Prerequisites**: English 1302

Catalog Description: Consists of reading and analyzing significant works of American literature from the Colonial period through the Romantic period. Requires research paper or several short analytical papers.

Textbook: George McMichael. *Anthology of American Literature Volume 1: Colonial through Romantic*, Latest ed.

Learning Outcomes:

After successful completion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Recognize and analyze various works from American literature.
- 2. Write analytical papers on topics related to the readings.
- 3. Demonstrate an understanding of the contemporary intellectual and social climate which prevailed during the period being studied.

During the first semester of American Literature, we will examine selected literary art from the early and late Colonial periods and the early to mid- Nineteenth Century.

Evaluation will be based upon the student's ability to identify and discuss in writing various characteristics of the artists and literature of each of the periods in matching, short answer and essay formats. There will be two tests and a comprehensive final examination, the first after our examination of the Colonial period and the second midway through our discussion of eighteenth-century literature. If the student's final exam grade is higher than his cumulative average, the final exam grade becomes his grade in the course.

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