# Department of English The Sanskrit College and University 1, Bankim Chatterjee Street, Kolkata- 700073

Syllabus for the

# P.G. (M. A.) Programme (CBCS SYSTEM) in English

(To be effective from the academic session 2022-2023)

Principle/Formula/Rule					
1 Lecture of 1hour per week x(14-16 weeks)= 1 credit 1 Lecture of 1 hour=1 Tutorial/Practical/Remedial Coaching Generally Credit requirement for a PG Programme: 80-100 Credit points	Credit Distribution: Core Courses: (5x16=) 80 Credits + Optional Courses: (4x4)=16 Credits + Inter-Disciplinary Generic Elective Courses (3x2) =6 Grand Total: 102 Credits=1100 Marks				
Core Courses: 70-90 Credit Points	Major Elective Courses (Optional Course + Inter-Disciplinary Generic Elective Course) : 22 Credit Points				
Per Course Internal Assessment: 10 marks and Semesterend (Written) Examination: 40 marks.  For Core Course PGENGCC302: Reviews: 20 marks, Term paper: 20 marks, Abstract & Keywords: 10 marks  PGENGCC402: Dissertation (to be written & submitted in printed form): 40marks, Presentation: 10 marks	There shall be a nomenclature and <i>alpha-numeric</i> code for each Course, e.g. the Course Code: <b>PGENGCC101</b> contains four components: three <i>alfa</i> and one <i>numeric</i> . The first two letters indicate short name of the programme level, the next three letters display subject name and remaining two letters indicate the course type: "CC", "OC" and "ID" will be used for Core Courses, Optional Courses and Inter-Disciplinary Generic Courses respectively, while in the numeric code like "101" the first digit stands for semester number, the rest, in double digit, stands for course serial number.				

# Name of the PG Programme: M.A. in English Name of the Subject: ENGLISH Summary of Courses and Credits

Level	Course Type	Course Code	Course Title	Learning Hour distribution per week L: T: P	Credit Points	Marks
MA Semester-I	Core Course	PGENGCC101	Old and Middle English Literature	4: 1:0	5	50
	Core Course	PGENGCC102	16 <sup>th</sup> and 17 <sup>th</sup> Century British Literature	4: 1:0	5	50
	Core Course	PGENGCC103	Late 17 <sup>th</sup> and 18 <sup>th</sup> Century British Literature	4: 1:0	5	50
	Core Course	PGENG CC104	Ancient European Classics in Translation	4: 1:0	5	50
	Core Course	PGENGCC105	Late 18 <sup>th</sup> and 19 <sup>th</sup> Century British Literature	4: 1:0	5	50
MA Semester-II	Core Course	PGENGCC201	Middle and Late 19 <sup>th</sup> Century	4: 1:0	5	50
	Core Course	PGENGCC202	British Modernism and Post War British Literature	4: 1:0	5	50
	Core Course	PGENGCC203	Research Methodology Course	4: 1:0	5	50

	Core Course	PGENGCC204	Literary Criticism: Plato to T. S. Eliot	4: 1:0	5	50
	Core Course	PGENGCCC205	Indian Writing in English and in Translation	4: 1:0	5	50
MA Semester-III	Core Course	PGENGCC301	History of Ideas (Background to Modernism)	4: 1:0	5	50
Semester-III	Core Course	PGENGCC302	Mandatory Term Paper	4: 1:0	5	50
	Core Course	PGENGCC303	American Literature	4: 1:0	5	50
	Optional Course (any one)	PGENGOC304A	South Asian Literature	3: 1:0	4	50
		PGENGOC304B	Literature and Film	3: 1:0	4	50
		PGENGOC304C	Additional Language Paper Part 1	3: 1:0	4	50
	Optional Course (any one)	PGENGCC305A	Australian Literature	3: 1:0	4	50
		PGENGOC305B	Canadian Literature	3: 1:0	4	50
		PGENGOC305C	Gothic Literature	3: 2:0	4	50
	Interdisciplinary Generic Elective Course (any one)	PGENGID306A	South Asian Literature	3: 2:0	4	5
		PGENGID306 B	Indian Writing in English and in Translation	3: 2:0	4	50
MA Semester IV	Core Course	PGENGCC401	Contemporary Literary Theory	4: 2:0	5	50

	Core Course	PGENGCC402	Mandatory Dissertation			
	Core Course	PGENGCC403	Partition Literature	4: 2:0	5	50
	Optional Course	PGENGOC 404A	Queer Studies	3: 2:0	4	50
	(any one)	PGENGOC404B	Disability Studies	3: 2:0	4	50
		PGENGOC404C	Literature and Ecology	3: 2:0	4	50
		PGENGOC404D	Popular Culture	3: 2:0	4	50
		PGENGOC404E	Additional Language Paper II	3: 2:0	4	50
Optional Cours	Optional Course (any	PGENG OC 405A	African Literature	3: 2:0	4	50
	one)	PGENGOC 405B	Caribbean Literature	3: 2:0	4	50
		PGENGOC405C	Modern European Classics	3: 2:0	4	50
	Interdisciplinary	PGENG406A	Dalit Literature	3: 2:0	4	50
	Generic Elective Course (any one)	PGENG 406 A	Literature and Films	3:2:0	4	50

# **Note:**

Inter-Disciplinary Generic Courses: At the beginning of Semester-III & Semester-IV, a student of other departments can choose any of the following courses, namely **Dalit Literature** or **Literature and Films** as Inter-Disciplinary Generic Elective Course. Each paper carries 50 Marks: 10 for Internal Assessment and 40 for written examination. At the beginning of the semester-III & Semester-IV, the department will offer at least two courses as Inter-Disciplinary Generic Elective Course.

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# PG Semester 1 (Any three units from each course)

#### PGENGCC101

# **Old and Middle English Literature**

- 1. Selections from *Beowulf*/ "The Wanderer", "Seafarer", "Deor's Lament" (in modern English translation)
- 2. Geoffrey Chaucer: Nun's Priest's Tale/ The Franklin's Tale (in modern English translation)
- 3. Selections from Sir Gawain and the Green Knight (in modern English translation)
- 4. Everyman (in modern English translation)

# **PGENG CC 102**

# 16th and early 17th c British Literature

- 1. William Shakespeare: King Lear/ The Tempest
- 2. William Shakespeare: Antony and Cleopatra/Richard III
- 3. Ben Jonson: Volpone/ John Webster: The Duchess of Malfi
- 4. Selections from Edmund Spenser's *Faerie Queene /* Metaphysical poets: two poems each, John Donne, Andrew Marvell, George Herbert, Henry Vaughan

### PGENGCC103

# Late 17th and 18th c British Literature

- 1. John Milton Paradise Lost Book IV/ Samson Agonistes
- 2. John Dryden: Absalom and Achitophel/ All for Love
- 3. Alexander Pope: "Epistle to Dr. Arbuthnot"/ Edmund Burke: "The Impeachment of Warren Hastings"
- 4. Horace Walpole: *The Castle of Otranto/* Matthew Lewis: *The Monk*

# PGENGCC104

# **Ancient European Classics in Translation**

1. Sophocles: *Oedipus the King/* Euripides: *Medea* 

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- 2. Aeschylus: Agamemnon/ Seven Against Thebes
- 3. Virgil: Aeneid Books 1, 4, 6/ Horace: Any 4 odes
- 4. Aristophanes: The Frogs/ Plautus: The Pot of Gold

#### PGENGCC 105

# Late 18th and early 19th century British Literature

- 1. William Blake: 5 poems each from the two sections of the collection *Songs of Innocence and of Experience*
- 2. William Wordsworth: *The Prelude* Book 1 and Samuel Taylor Coleridge: "The Rime of the Ancient Mariner"
- 3. Percy Bysshe Shelley: Adonais/ Revolt of Islam and John Keats: Odes "On Melancholy", "To Psyche", "To Autumn"
- 4. Jane Austen: Mansfield Park/ Mary Shelley: Frankenstein

# **PG** Semester 2 (Any three units from each course)

# **PGENGCC 201**

# Middle and Late 19th Century British Literature

- 1. Selections from Alfred Lord Tennyson's *In Memoriam*/ Robert Browning: "The Bishop Orders His Tomb at Saint Praxed's Church", "Andrea Del Sarto", "Fra Lippo Lippi"
- 2. Christina Rossetti: "Goblin Market"/ Elizabeth Barrett Browning: Aurora Leigh
- 3. Emily Bronte: Wuthering Heights/ Elizabeth Gaskell: Mary Barton
- 4. Charles Dickens: The Tale of Two Cities/ Thomas Hardy: Tess of the d'Urbervilles

# **PGENGCC 202**

# **British Modernism and Post War British Literature**

- 1. T. S. Eliot: The Wasteland/ W. B. Yeats: Any 5 poems
- 2. Joseph Conrad: Heart of Darkness
- 3. Any five poems by Elizabeth Jennings
- 4. William Golding: Lord of the Flies/ John Fowles: The French Lieutenant's Woman
- 5. Kazuo Ishiguro: Remains of the Day/ Caryl Phillips: Crossing the River

## **PGENGCC 203**

# **Research Methodology Course**

(This course would include knowledge and practice of citations, summarizing, paraphrasing, abstract and key words, annotated reviews, identifying research questions etc.)

#### **PGENGCC 204**

# **Literary Criticism: Plato to Eliot**

- 1. Plato: Republic Book X/Ion and Aristotle's Poetics
- 2. Horace: Ars Poetica/ Longinus: "On the Sublime"
- 3. Philip Sidney: *Apologie for Poetry/* John Dryden: *An Essay of Dramatic Poesy*
- 4. Samuel Taylor Coleridge: *Biographia Literaria* (selections from Chapters XIII, XIV, XVI, XVII)/ T. S. Eliot: "Tradition and the Individual Talent", "The Metaphysical Poets", "Hamlet and His Problem"

## **PGENGCC 205**

# **Indian Writing in English and in Translation**

- 1. Salman Rushdie: Midnight's Children/ Amitav Ghosh: Sea of Poppies
- 2. Girish Karnad: Tughlaq/ Mahesh Dattani: Tara/ Final Solutions
- 3. Any two poems each by Nissim Ezekiel, Kamala Das, Jayanta Mahapatra, R. Parthasarathy
- 4. Tagore: Home and the World/Bama: Karukku/Sangati

# PG Semester 3 (Any three units from each course)

#### Core courses

#### PGENGCC 301

# **History of Ideas (Background to Modernism)**

- 1. Selections from Friedrich Nietzsche
- 2. Selections from Sigmund Freud
- 3. Selections from Carl Gustav Jung
- 4. Selections from Karl Marx

## **PGENGCC 302**

# **Mandatory Term Paper**

# **PGENGCC 303**

## **American Literature**

- 1. Any two poems each by Emily Dickinson, Wallace Stevens, Maya Angelou, Sylvia Plath
- 2. Herman Melville: Moby Dick/ William Faulkner: The Sound and the Fury / F. Scot Fitzgerald's The Great Gatsby
- 3. Arthur Miller: Death of a Salesman/ Edward Albee: Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf
- **4.** Loraine Hansberry: *Raisin in the Sun/* Tony Morrison: *The Bluest Eye*

# Optional Courses (One course to be chosen from each group PGENGOC304 and PGENGOC305)

## PGENGOC304A

#### **South Asian Literature**

- 1. Khaled Hosseini: A Thousand Splendid Suns
- 2. Mohsin Hamid: Moth Smoke/ Tehmina Durani: My Feudal Lord
- 3. Monica Ali: Brick Lane / Tahmina Anam: The Good Muslim
- 4. Sam Selvadurai: Funny Boy/ Yasmin Gooneratne: A Change of Sky
- 5. Selections from Moniza Alvi: The Country at Shoulder and Agha Shahid Ali: The Country Without a Post Office

# PGENGOC304B

# Literature and Film

- 1. Andre Bazin: "Adaptation or the Cinema as Digest"
- 2. Robert Stam: "Beyond Fidelity: The Dialogics of Adaptation"
- 3. Kamilla Elliott: "Introduction" to Rethinking the Novel/Film Debate
- 4. Analysis of any ONE adaptation each from Shakespeare, Tagore, Gothic, Crime, Austen

# PGENGOC304C

Additional Language Paper Part 1 German/ French/ Sanskrit

## PGENGOC305A

#### **Australian Literature**

- 1. Patrick White: Voss
- 2. Joanne Lindsay: Picnic at Hanging Rock
- 3. Two poems each by Judith Wright and Les Murray
- 4. Jack Davis: No Sugar OR David Malouf: Blood Relations

# PGENGOC305B

#### **Canadian Literature**

- 1. Margaret Atwood: Edible Woman
- 2. Michael Ondaatje: The English Patient
- 3. Gwendolyn MacEwen: any two poems and Leonard Cohen: Any two poems
- 4. Judith Thompson: Lion in the Streets/ Diane Warren: Club Chernobyl

## PGENGOC305C

## **Gothic Literature**

- 1. Anne Radcliffe: Mysteries of Udolpho
- 2. R. L. Stevenson: The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde
- 3. Bram Stoker: Dracula
- 4. Any two short stories by Edgar Allan Poe

# **Interdisciplinary Generic Elective Course (any one)**

## PGENGID306A

# **South Asian Literature**

- 1. Khaled Hosseini: A Thousand Splendid Suns/ Mohsin Hamid: Moth Smoke/ Tehmina Durani: My Feudal Lord
- 2. Monica Ali: Brick Lane / Tahmina Anam: The Good Muslim
- 3. Sam Selvadurai: Funny Boy/ Yasmin Gooneratne: A Change of Sky
- 4. Selections from Moniza Alvi: The Country at Shoulderi and Agha Shahid Ali: The Country Without a Post Office

## PGENGID306B

# **Indian Writing in English and in Translation**

- 1. Salman Rushdie: Midnight's Children/ Amitav Ghosh: Sea of Poppies
- 2. Girish Karnad: Tughlaq/ Mahesh Dattani: Tara/ Final Solutions
- 3. Any two poems each by Nissim Ezekiel, Kamala Das, Jayanta Mahapatra, R. Parthasarathy
- 4. Rabindranath Tagore: Home and the World/ Bama: Karukku/ Sangati

# **PG** Semester 4 (Any three units from each course)

## PGENGCC401

# **Contemporary Literary Theory**

- 1. Marxist Literary Theory
- 2. Feminist Literary Theory
- 3. Postcolonial Literary Theory
- 4. Jacques Derrida: "Structure, Sign and Play in the Human Sciences", Roland Barthes: "Death of the Author", Michel Foucault: "What is an Author"

# PGENGCC402

# **Mandatory Dissertation**

# **PGENG CC 403**

# **Partition Literature**

- 1. Any two: 1947 Earth/ Khamosh Pani/ Meghe Dhaka Tara/ Garm Hava
- 2. Any two novels: Train to Pakistan, The Fire Bird, Ice Candy Man,
- 3. Short stories from Saadat Hasan Manto, "Lajwanti", Debjani Sengupta ed. Partition Literature: An Anthology
- 4. Selections from Bangladesh: Writing Across Borders (ed. Debjani Sengupta and Rakshanda Jalil)

# Optional Courses (One course to be chosen from each group PGENGOC404 and PGENGOC405)

## **PGENG OC 404 A**

# **Queer Studies**

- 1. James Baldwin: Giovanni's Room/ Patricia Highsmith: Price of Salt
- 2. Ruth Vanita and Salim Kidwai: Selections from Same Sex Love in India
- 3. Adrienne Rich: "Compulsory Heterosexuality", Michel Foucault: Selections from History of Sexuality, Vol. 1
- 4. Films: Boys Don't Cry, Fire, Gay India Matrimony

# **PGENG OC 404 B**

# **Disability Studies**

- 1. Harper Lee: To Kill a Mockingbird /John Steinbeck: Of Mice and Men
- 2. Albert Camus: The First Man / Mark Haddon: The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime
- 3. Selections from *The Disability Studies Reader* ed. Lennard Davis, Selections from *Disability Studies in India: Interdisciplinary Perspectives* ed. Nilika Mehrotra
- 4. Firdous Kanga: Heaven on Wheels
- 5. Films and disability: Margarita with a Straw, Black, Forrest Gump

#### PGENGOC404C

# Literature and Ecology

- 1. Selections from Ecocriticism: Swarnalatha Rangarajan; Cheryl Glotfelty and Harold Fromm edited The Ecocriticism Reader
- 2. Shubhangi Swarup: Latitudes of Longing/ Amitav Ghosh: Hungry Tide
- 3. Barbara Kingsolver: Prodigal Summer/ Animal Dreams OR Pitchaya Sudbanthad: Bangkok Wakes to Rain
- 4. Rachel Carson: Selections from Silent Spring/ Donna Haraway: Selections from Primate Visions

# PGENGOC404D

# **Popular Culture**

- 1. Selections from Dominic Strinati: *An Introduction to Theories of Popular Culture, Writing India Anew: Indian English Fiction:* 200-2010 ed. Krishna Sen and Rituparna Roy
- 2. Graphic Novels and Comic Books (any two)

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- 3. Inspirational Literature (any two)
- 4. Indian New Mythological Fiction (any two)

## **PGENGOC 404 E**

Additional Language Paper II

# **German/French/Sanskrit**

# PGENGOC405A

#### **African Literature**

- 1. Chinua Achebe: Things Fall Apart/ Abdulrazak Gurnahh: Paradise/ Doris Lessing: The Grass is Singing
- 2. Any six poems from The Penguin Book of Modern African Poetry Ed. Gerald Moore
- 3. Wole Soyinka: A Dance of the Forests/ Athol Fugard: The Island
- 4. Any two stories by Ama Ata Aidoo

# PGENGOC405B

# Caribbean Literature

- 1. V. S. Naipaul: A House for Mr. Biswas/ Jean Rhys: Wide Sargasso Sea/ Wilson Harris: The Palace of the Peacock
- 2. Two stories by Jamaica Kincaid and two stories from V. S. Naipaul's Miguel Street
- 3. Derek Walcott: Dream on Monkey Mountain/ The Isle is Full of Noises
- 4. Any six poems from Paula Burnett ed. The Penguin Book of Caribbean Verse in English (2005)

# **PGENG OC 405 C**

# **Modern European Classics**

- 1. Selections from Marcel Proust: In Search of Lost Time
- 2. Luigi Pirandello: Six Characters in Search of an Author /Bertolt Brecht: Galileo
- 3. Thomas Mann: Death in Venice/Italo Calvino: If on a Winter's Night a Traveler
- 4. Fyodor Dostoyevsky: The Idiot/ Anton Chekhov: any 2 stories
- 5. Any six poems by Rainer Maria Rilke

# **Interdisciplinary Generic Elective Courses (Any one)**

# **PGENGID406A**

## **Dalit Literature**

- 1. "Introduction" to Poisoned Blood by Arjun Dangle
- 2. Any one story each by Baburao Bagul and Khadir Babu
- 3. Any one poem each from Sukirtha Rani, Chndramohan, Kalyani Devi Chandal
- 4. Bama: Karukku or Omprakash Valmiki: Joothan

# PGENGOC406B

#### **Literature and Film**

- 1. Andre Bazin: "Adaptation or the Cinema as Digest"
- 2. Robert Stam: "Beyond Fidelity: The Dialogics of Adaptation"
- 3. Kamilla Elliott: "Introduction" to Rethinking the Novel/Film Debate
- 4. Analysis of any ONE adaptation each from Shakespeare, Tagore, Gothic, Crime, Austen

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