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1	Course title	Modern Trends in Drama					
2	Course number	2201730					
3	Credit hours	3					
5	Contact hours (theory, practical)	3					
4	Prerequisites/Co-requisites						
5	Program title	Master's Degree in English Literature					
6	Program code	220					
7	Awarding institution	The University of Jordan					
8	School	School of Foreign Languages					
9	Department	Department of English Language and Literature					
10	Course level	Graduate					
11	Year of study and semester (s)	2023/2024, First Semester					
12	Final Qualification	MA					
13	Other department (s) involved in teaching the course						
14	Language of Instruction	English					
15	Delivery method	■Face to Face learning □Blended □Fully online					
16	Electronic platform(s)	E - Learning Microsoft Teams Skype Zoom					
17	Issuing/Revision Date	December 2023					

18 Course Coordinator:

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19 Other instructors:

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20 Course Description

This course covers the most effective trends in twentieth century drama beginning with the realism of Ibsen, Shaw and Chekhov, passing through the symbolism, expressionism and surrealism of the inter-war period and ending with the epic, the theatre of the absurd, the post-modern experiments in the theatre of the last decades as well as the continuing revival of realist and naturalist drama.

21 Course aims and outcomes

A- Aims: Program learning out comes (PLO's)

At the successful completion of the Master Program in English Literature the student should be able to:

- 1- Apply critical approaches, theories and methodologies to literary texts belonging to different literary periods.
- 2- Analyze and discuss the salient features of literary texts from a broad range of English and American literary periods.
- 3- Explain and discuss the functions of texts in relation to different historical, social, and political contexts.
- 4- Examine literary texts in a way that reflects insight into the distinctive historical, traditional and social situatedness of English literature as an academic discipline.
- 5- Employ knowledge of literary traditions to produce imaginative writing, demonstrating interpretive and analytical skills and the ability to close-read.
- 6- Apply critical and creative thinking to evaluate literature and improve practice in English studies, applying sound judgment in professional and personal situations.
- 7- Prepare and deliver specialized professional-level seminar, work efficiently both independently and as part of a team, collaborate with other, demonstrating commitment to social and professional responsibilities
- 8- Design, execute, interpret, and critique research in the specialization, and write master's theses or reports to professional standards equivalent to the quality of publishable papers. (Design and conduct linguistic research, interpret its results, demonstrating the ability to write a master's thesis proficiently and produce professionally publishable reports. Work efficiently both independently and/or as part of a team, committing to social and professional responsibilities).
- 9- Demonstrate an interest in learning and continuous professional growth, utilize information and data technology to develop his capabilities, knowledge, and skills. Express a commitment to acquiring and generating new knowledge and analyze and investigate issues related to English literature.

B- Course Learning Outcomes (CLOs):

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:





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	Course Learning		Р	rog	ran	1 ()	utc	om	ies					Asse	essi	mer	nt T	00	ls	
No	Outcomes	1	2	3	4	5		7	8	10	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		10
1	Evaluate and interpret dramatic works from various modern movements, focusing on playwrights like Ibsen, Shaw, Chekhov, and others. This involves assessing narrative structures, thematic elements, character development, and staging techniques.	x		X	X								X			X		Х		X
2	Compare and contrast the styles, themes, and approaches of different playwrights and movements within modern drama, identifying their unique contributions and influences on contemporary theatre.	X		x	x								X			x		X		X
3	Analyze the evolution of modern drama, including Realism, Symbolism, Expressionism, Surrealism, Epic Theatre, Theatre of the absurd , and Post-Modern experiments. This includes dissecting the characteristics, themes, and historical contexts of these movements.	X	X	Х				X					x			Х		X		Х
4	Synthesize the historical and cultural contexts of the various movements in modern drama, demonstrating an understanding of how societal changes, historical events, and cultural	Х	Х		X	х		х					X			X		х		X





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	dynamics influenced the development and evolution of dramatic styles from the twentieth century onwards.													
5	Critique modern dramatic performances, applying critical thinking and analysis skills to assess how contemporary interpretations and productions reflect or diverge from the original intents of the movements, such as Realism, Expressionism, or Theatre of the Absurd.	Х	Х	X	Х					x	2	X	x	X
6	Comprehend and have a clear understanding of the ways in which contemporary Anglophone drama and theatre interacts with social and political reality.					X	X	X		X		X	Х	Х

22. Topic Outline and Schedule:

Week	Lecture	Торіс	Course Learning Outcome s	Teaching Methods*/platf orm	Evaluation Methods**	References
1	1.1	orientation	1-6	Synchronous Lecturing, Forums	Midterm + Term Paper	required textbook





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2	2.1	Realism, naturalism, and symbolism	1-6	Synchronous Lecturing, Forums	Midterm + Term Paper + Presentation s	required textbook
3	3.1	Metatheatre and modernity	1-6	Synchronous Lecturing, Forums	Midterm + Term Paper + Presentation s	required textbook
4	4.1	Absurdism, protest, and commitment	1-6	Synchronous Lecturing, Forums	Midterm + Term Paper + Presentation s	required textbook
5	5.1	<i>Pygmalion:</i> A Play by George Bernard Shaw	1-6	Synchronous Lecturing, Forums	Midterm + Term Paper + Presentation s	required material
6	6.1	My Fair Lady: A Musical by Alan Jay Lerner, as an adaptation of Shaw's Pygmalion	1-6	Synchronous Lecturing, Forums	Midterm + Term Paper + Presentation s	required material
7	7.1	<u>Midterm</u>	1-6	Synchronous Lecturing, Forums	Midterm	Assigned material
8	8.1	Mother Courage and Her Children: by Bertolt Brecht	1-6	Synchronous Lecturing, Forums	Final + Term Paper + Presentation s	required material
9	9.1	<i>Waiting for</i> <i>Godot</i> : by Samuel	1-6	Synchronous Lecturing,	Final + Term Paper + Presentation	required material



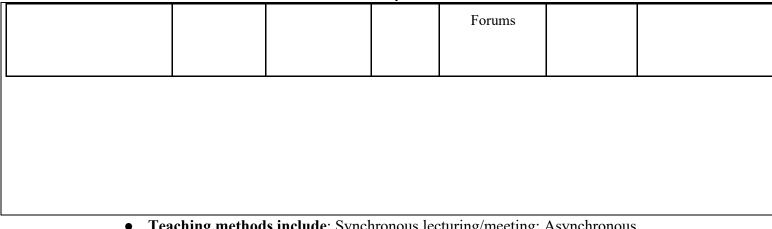


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		Beckett		Forums	S	
10	10.1	Death of a Salesman: by Arthur Miller	1-6	Synchronous Lecturing, Forums	Final + Term Paper + Presentation s	required material
11	11.1	Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead: by Tom Stoppard, as an adaptation of Hamlet	1-6	Synchronous Lecturing, Forums	Final + Term Paper + Presentation s	required material
12	12.1	<i>The Zoo Story:</i> by Edward Albee	1-6	Synchronous Lecturing, Forums	Final + Term Paper + Presentation s	required material
13	13.1	Term paper presentations	1-6	Synchronous Lecturing, Forums	Final + Term Paper + Presentation s	
14	14.1	Term paper presentations	1-6	Synchronous Lecturing, Forums	Final + Term Paper + Presentation s	
15	15.1	Term paper presentations	1-6	Synchronous Lecturing, Forums	Final + Term Paper + Presentation s	
16	16.1	<u>Final</u>	1-6	Synchronous Lecturing,	Final	Assigned material







- **Teaching methods include**: Synchronous lecturing/meeting; Asynchronous lecturing/meeting; discussion
- Assessment methods include: 1. quizzes, 2. assignments, 3. midterm, 4. projects, 5. interview, 5. case studies, 6. presentation, 7. filed study 8. term papers, 9. student portfolio, 10. final exam

23 Evaluation Methods:

Opportunities to demonstrate achievement of the CLOs are provided through the following assessment methods and requirements:

Evaluation Activity	Mark	Topic(s)	Intended Learning outcome	Period (Week)	Platform
Term Paper	15	The student's choice	1-6	1-16	E-Learning
Presentations	15	The student's choice	1-6	1-16	On campus
Midterm Exam	30	1-7	1-6	1-7	On campus
Final Exam	40	1-16	1-6	1-16	On campus

Rubric for presentation tasks:

Criteria	15	12	10	8	6-0
Subject Mastery	Full knowledge of the topic is demonstrated and any	Understanding of the topic is demonstrated and most of the questions from the	The content shows some understanding and comprehension of the topic,	The presentation has some information about the topic, but is mostly	The presentation doesn't show any knowledge of the topic, it's short and has basic or no foundation. No thesis is presented.





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	questions	audience are	but questions	based on	
	from the	answered	from the	clichés and	
	audience are	correctly. A	audience aren't	basic	
	correctly	thesis is	answered	knowledge. No	
	answered	presented.	correctly. A	thesis is	
	and		thesis is	presented.	
	explained. A		somewhat		
	thesis is		presented.		
	presented.				
	It is		TT1	71.	
	presented in	T4 :	The	The	
	a logical,	It is presented	presentation is	presentation is	
	interesting	in a logical	somewhat	difficult to	The presentation has no
Organization	sequence,	sequence	difficult to	follow because	sequence of information
8	and effective	which can be	follow but the	it jumps back	and is not understood.
	way that can	followed	general idea	and forth and it	
	be followed	fairly easily.	and timeline is	is difficult to	
	easily.		understood.	understand.	
	Maintains	Maintains eye			
	eye contact,	contact	Maintains eye		
	doesn't read	throughout,	contact, reads		
	from notes,	rarely reads	from notes		
	speaks loud	from notes,	occasionally,	Occasional eye	No eye contact is made,
	with	speaks with	speaks loud	contact, mostly	reads from notes, a lot of
Delivery	inflection,	inflection,	enough,	reads from	mumbling and
Denvery	pronounces	pronounces	pronounces	notes, speaks	mispronunciation, and
	all words	most words	some words	quietly and	speaks quietly.
	correctly,	correctly, and	correctly, and	mispronounces.	speaks quiety.
	and is very	is somewhat	is somewhat		
	effective and	effective and	effective and		
	engaging.	engaging.	engaging.		
<u> </u>	Presentation	unguging.	<u> </u>		
	is unique and		Presentation is	Presentation is	
	innovative,	Presentation's	interesting, but	not unique or	
	with visual	information is	unoriginal and	interesting, but	
	aids that are	highlighted	there's a	uses of visual	
	effectively	with visual	presence of	aids in a	There is no true focus
	used to	aids that are	visual aids that	somewhat	which leads to poor or no
Creativity		used in an	somewhat	interesting	creativity.
	support or demonstrate		support the	÷	There are no visual aids.
	the content.	interesting	content. The	way. Little or no interest is	
	The focus	way. The focus chosen	focus chosen is		
			somewhat	conveyed in	
	chosen is	is original.	interesting, but	the focus	
	original and		obvious.	chosen.	
	inspired.			1	

24 Course Requirements:





Students should have the assigned textbook.

25 Course Policies:

- A- Attendance policies:
- B- Absences from exams and submitting assignments on time:
- C- Health and safety procedures:
- D- Honesty policy regarding cheating, plagiarism, misbehavior:
- E- Grading policy:
- F- Available university services that support achievement in the course:

26 References:

A- Required book(s):

Shepherd-Barr, K. (2016). Modern Drama: A Very Short Introduction. Oxford University Press.

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A selection of plays assigned by the course instructor.

27 Additional information:

Name of Course Coordinator: Signature: Date:	
Head of Curriculum Committee/Department:	Signature:
Head of Department:	Signature:
Head of Curriculum Committee/Faculty:	Signature:





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