



1	Course title	Postcolonial literature
2	Course number	2201945
3	Credit hours	3
5	Contact hours (theory, practical)	3
4	Prerequisites/corequisites	
5	Program title	PhD in English Literature
6	Program code	
7	Awarding institution	University of Jordan
8	School	School of Foreign Languages
9	Department	Department of English Language and Literature
10	Level of course	First Year & Second Year students
11	Year of study and semester (s)	2023/2024, First Semester
12	Final Qualification	PhD
13	Other department (s) involved in teaching the course	
14	Language of Instruction	English
15	Teaching methodology	Blended Online
16	Electronic plotform(g)	E-learning Microsoft Teams Skype Zoom
10	Electronic platform(s)	□Others
17	Date of production/revision	October 2023
10 ()	urso Instructor.	

**18 Course Instructor:** 





#### **19 Other instructors:**

#### 20 Course Description:

This course traces the origins, the keys developments, and the practices of Postcolonial theory by focusing on canonical texts in the field, such as the works of Frantz Fanon, and Amilcar Cabral. It investigates issue that contemporary theorists like Edward Said, Gayatri Spivak, Homi. K. Bhabha,, and J-M Abdul-Rahman have raised through applying their insights on colonial relationships to a number of colonial and postcolonial Anglo-American texts. The course also make inquires in the current challenges to the Postcolonial theory.

#### 21 Course aims and outcomes:

A- Aims: (PLOs)

- 1. Providing in-depth study of a wide range of literary topics and genre across the field of English literature.
- 2. Offering high-quality education that enables students to attain the highest level of professional and personal development.
- 3. Ensuring that students acquire full understanding of their professional and ethical responsibilities as future academics and researchers.
- 4. Responding through the graduate programs to the needs of the public and private sectors.
- 5. Equipping students with the advanced knowledge as well as general transferable skills that enable them to play leading and effective roles in a wide range of occupations.
- 6. Preparing students to pursue their PhD education in different disciplines within the humanities and social sciences.
- 7. Exposing students to the impact of cross-cultural exchange on the national and global levels.
- 8. Enabling faculty members to upgrade the teaching materials and methods by providing them with up-to-date technology, training, and resources.







9. Providing further opportunities for faculty members to pursue personal development, research, and professional consultancy in accordance with the agreed procedures of the University.

B- Intended Learning Outcomes (ILOs):

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

			P	Program Outcomes Assessment Tools															
No.	Course Learning Outcomes	1	2 3	4	5	6	7	8	9 1 0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	Develop a foundational understanding of key postcolonial concepts, including colonialism, imperialism, orientalism, and the ways in which these concepts shape cultural, political, and literary discourses.	X	X		X	X					X	X							X
2	Analyze Edward Said's seminal work "Orientalism" to understand how Western representations of the East have influenced perceptions, power dynamics, and cultural production.		X		X	X				X	X	X							X
3	CriticallydeconstructEurocentric perspectives andchallengethedominantnarrativesthathavehistoricallyshapedglobalpower structures, as exploredbySaidinhiscritiqueofWesternknowledgeproduction.		X		x	X					X								





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4	Explore Gayatri Spivak's concept of the subaltern and engage with her seminal essay "Can the Subaltern Speak?" to understand the challenges of representing marginalized voices and the complexities of agency in postcolonial	X			X	X						X		X	X	X	X
5	contexts. Investigate Homi K. Bhabha's ideas on globalization, hybridity, and cultural identity, exploring how these concepts disrupt conventional notions of fixed identities and challenge binary oppositions.	X		X	X	X						X	X		X	X	X
6	Apply postcolonial theories to the analysis of literary texts, examining how literature reflects and interrogates issues related to colonization, decolonization, and cultural hybridity.	X			X	X	X	X	X		Х	X					X
7	Explore the intersectionality of identity markers such as race, class, gender, and sexuality within postcolonial frameworks, drawing on the works of key theorists to understand the nuanced experiences of individuals and communities.	X			X	X	X			X		X	X				X
8	Develop skills in critically evaluating postcolonial literature, films, and other cultural artifacts, applying theoretical frameworks to analyze and interpret the representations of postcolonial experiences.	X	X		X	X				X		X					X





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# 22. Topic Outline and Schedule:

Week	Lectur e	Торіс	Intended Learning Outcomes	Teaching Methods*/ platform	Evaluation Methods**	Reference s
	1.1	Edward Said Orientalism	1,2,3,5,6,7	In-class	In-class tasks	Main textbook
1	1.2	Edward Said Orientalism	1,2,3,5,6,7	In-class	In-class tasks	Main textbook
	1.3	Edward Said Orientalism	1,2,3,5,6,7	In-class	In-class	Main textbook
	2.1	Edward Said Culture and Imperialism	2, 5, 6,8	In-class	In-class tasks	Main textbook
2	2.2	Edward Said Culture and Imperialism	2, 5, 6,8	In-class		Main textbook
	2.3	Edward Said Culture and Imperialism	2, 5, 6,8	In-class	In-class	Main textbook
	3.1	Edward Said Culture and Imperialism	2, 5, 6,8	In-class		Main textbook
3	3.2	Homi K. Bhabha: <i>The</i> <i>Location of</i> <i>Culture</i> 1994	2, 5, 6,8, 9, 10	In-class	In-class tasks	Main textbook
	3.3	Homi K. Bhabha: <i>The</i> <i>Location of</i> <i>Culture</i> 1994	2, 5, 6,8	In-class	In-class	Main textbook





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	4.1	Homi K. Bhabha: <i>The</i> <i>Location of</i> <i>Culture</i> 1994	2, 5, 6,8	Online/Mi crosoft Teams	In-class tasks	Main textbook
4	4.2	Homi K. Bhabha: <i>Nation</i> <i>and Narration</i> 1990	2, 5, 6,8	In-class	In-class tasks	Main textbook
	4.3	Homi K. Bhabha: <i>Nation</i> <i>and Narration</i> 1990	2, 5, 6,8	In-class	In-class	Main textbook
	5.1	Homi K. Bhabha: Nation and Narration 1990	5, 6, 7	In-class	In-class tasks	Main textbook
5	5.2	Beyond the Nation: Diasporic and Poscolonial Perspectives on The Location of Culture 2009	5, 6, 7	In-class	In-class tasks	Main textbook
	5.3	Beyond the Nation: Diasporic and Poscolonial Perspectives on The Location of Culture 2009	5, 6, 7	In-class	In-class	Main textbook
6	6.1	Beyond the Nation: Diasporic and Poscolonial Perspectives on The Location of Culture 2009	5, 6, 7	In-class	In-class	Main textbook





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	6.2	Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak: <i>Can the</i> <i>Subaltern</i> <i>Speak?</i> 1988	5, 6, 7	In-class	In-class	Main textbook
	6.3	Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak: <i>Can the</i> <i>Subaltern</i> <i>Speak?</i> 1988	5, 6, 7	In-class	In-class	Main textbook
	7.1	Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak: <i>Can the</i> <i>Subaltern</i> <i>Speak?</i> 1988	5, 6, 7, 8, 9	In-class	In-class tasks	Main textbook
7	7.2	A Critique of Postcolonial Reason by Chakravorty Spivak	5, 6, 7	In-class	In-class	Main textbook
	7.3	A Critique of Postcolonial Reason by Chakravorty Spivak	5, 6, 7	In-class	In-class	Main textbook
8	8.1	A Critique of Postcolonial Reason by Chakravorty Spivak	1-10	In-class	In-class tasks	Maintextb ook
	8.2	Midterm Exam			1	
	8.3	<i>Outside in the</i> <i>Teaching</i> <i>Machine</i> by		In-class	In-class tasks	Maintextb ook





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		Chakravorty Spivak					
	9.1	Outside in the Teaching Machine by Chakravorty Spivak	5, 6, 7				
				In-class	In-class tasks	Main textbook	
9	9.2	Outside in the Teaching Machine by Chakravorty Spivak	5, 6, 7				
				In-class	In-class tasks	Main textbook	
	9.3	Outside in the Teaching Machine by Chakravorty Spivak	5, 6, 7	In-class	In-class	Main textbook	
10	10.1	In Other Worlds: Essays In Cultural Politics by Chakravorty Spivak	5, 6, 7, 8		In-class	Main	
				In-class	tasks	textbook	
	10.2	In Other Worlds: Essays In Cultural Politics	5, 6, 7	In-class	In-class tasks	Main textbook	





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		by Chakravorty Spivak				
	10.3	Death of a Discipline by Chakravorty Spivak	5, 6, 7	In-class	Watch a video on writing a personal statement+ Assignment	Main textbook
	11.1	<i>Death of a</i> <i>Discipline</i> by Chakravorty Spivak	5, 6, 7	In-class	In-class tasks	Main textbook
11	11.2	Death of a Discipline by Chakravorty Spivak	5, 6, 7			
				In-class	In-class tasks	Main textbook
	11.3	<i>The</i> <i>Commitment</i> <i>Theory</i> by Homi k Bhabha	5, 6, 7	In-class	In-class	Main textbook
12	12.1	<i>The</i> <i>Commitment</i> <i>Theory</i> by Homi k Bhabha	5, 6, 7, 8, 9	In-class	In-class	Main textbook
	12.2	<i>The</i> <i>Commitment</i> <i>Theory</i> by Homi k Bhabha	5, 6, 7	In-class	In-class tasks	Main textbook





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	12.3	<i>The</i> <i>Commitment</i> <i>Theory</i> by Homi k Bhabha	5, 6, 7	In-class	In-class	Main textbook
	13.1	<i>The</i> <i>Commitment</i> <i>Theory</i> by Homi k Bhabha	5, 6, 7	In-class	In-class	Main textbook
13	13.2	<i>The</i> <i>Commitment</i> <i>Theory</i> by Homi k Bhabha	5, 6, 7	In-class	In-class	Main textbook
	13.3	An Aesthetic Education in the Era of Globalization (2012) by Chakravorty Spivak	5, 6, 7	In-class	In-class	Main textbook
14	14.1	An Aesthetic Education in the Era of Globalization (2012) by Chakravorty Spivak	1-10	In-class	In-class	Main textbook
	14.2	An Aesthetic Education in the Era of Globalization (2012) by Chakravorty Spivak	1-10	In-class	In-class	Main textbook





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	14.3	An Aesthetic Education in the Era of Globalization (2012) by Chakravorty Spivak Spivak	1-10	In-class	In-class	Main textbook
	15.1	Revision	1-10	In-class	Discussion	Main textbook
15	15.2	Revision	1-10	In-class	Discussion	Main textbook
	15.3	Revision	1-10	In-class	Discussion	Main textbook

• **Teaching methods include**: Synchronous lecturing/meeting; Asynchronous lecturing/meeting; discussion

• Assessment methods include: 1. quizzes, 2. assignments, 3. midterm, 4. presentation, 5. final exam

#### **24 Course Requirements**

Students should have a computer, internet connection, webcam, and account on a Microsoft Teams.

#### **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:





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#### 27 Additional information:





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