

IDE 301 AMERICAN LITERATURE I

FALL 2019-2020 COURSE OUTLINE

PRESENTATION TOPICS

WEEK 1 Sep. 17	
WEEK 2 Sep. 24	
WEEK 3 Oct. 1	Presentation Topic 1: Native American Societies before European contact Presentation Topic 2: Native American Legends and Myths
WEEK 4 Oct. 8	Presentation Topic 3: The Mayflower Compact (1620) Presentation Topic 4: Puritanism Presentation Topic 5: The American Frontier
WEEK 5 Oct. 15	Presentation Topic 6: Calvinism and American Exceptionalism Presentation Topic 7: Salem Witch Trials Presentation Topic 8: Navajo Skinwalkers – Witches of the Southwest
WEEK 6 Oct. 22	Presentation Topic 9: Thomas Paine “Common Sense” (1776) Presentation Topic 10: “The Federalist Papers” (James Madison, Alexander Hamilton, John Jay) (1788) Presentation Topic 11: American Revolution
WEEK 7 Oct. 29	NATIONAL HOLIDAY (Make-up session will be on Nov.1) Presentation Topic 12: The Amistad Case Presentation Topic 13: Slave Songs and Narratives
WEEK 8	MIDTERM WEEK (subject to change due to department schedules)
WEEK 9 Nov. 12	Presentation Topic 14: The Louisiana Purchase & Lewis and Clark's expedition Presentation Topic 15: Slave Revolts and Abolition Presentation Topic 14: Frederick Douglass “What are the Colored People Doing for Themselves” (1848)
WEEK 10 Nov. 19	Presentation Topic 17: Unitarianism and History of Unitarianism in the U.S. Presentation Topic 18: James F. Cooper “The American Democrat” (1838) Presentation Topic 19: Henry David Thoreau “Resistance to Civil Government” (1849)
WEEK 11 Nov. 26	Presentation Topic 20: Abraham Lincoln “The Gettysburg Address” (1863) Presentation Topic 21: American Civil War & Emancipation Proclamation Presentation Topic 22: Jacksonian democracy
WEEK 12 Dec. 3	Presentation Topic 23: Foundation of American Political System Presentation Topic 24: Women’s Rights: Seneca Falls Convention & Elizabeth Cady Stanton, “The Seneca Falls Declaration of Sentiments and Resolutions” (1848) Presentation Topic 25: Victoria Claflin Woodhull & Arabella Mansfield,
WEEK 13 Dec. 10	Presentation Topic 26: Jim Crow segregation & laws Presentation Topic 27: Plessy vs. Ferguson
WEEK 14 Dec. 17	Presentation Topic 28: Irish and German Immigration to the U.S. Presentation Topic 29: Elements of Early Detective Fiction