

Course Description

Course Unit

Post-WW2 US Literature

UC Code

LAC2.12433

ECTS Credits

6 ECTS

Work Hours

168H (6 ECTS)

Level

BA

Academic year and Semester

2024/2025, S2

Faculty

Bernardo Palmeirim

Class

TP 1

Language of instruction

English

Class Description

Since this course offers a 1st-cycle introduction to post-1945 American literature, we will read a diversity of shorter works, aiming to expose students to a comprehensive overview of the vast and varied verbal landscape that continues to unfold before us. Typically, we will discuss one author per class: one short story or a handful of poems or excerpts. We will also read and discuss at least one novel. Course materials are roughly chronologically sequenced in four major Sections (New American Poets, Civil Rights, Facets of Postmodernity, Post-Literature), interspersed by three 'Interludes' focused on gender and racial discrimination and ethnic and class minorities. We will also establish links with historical and cultural contexts.

Grading and Assessment

Midterm test: 35%

Final Test: 45%

Active Attendance: 20%

(Tests may be written in either English or Portuguese.)

Bibliography

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Prerequisites (if applicable)

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