

Course Description

AML2010 | American Literature 1 | 3.00 credits

American Literature from Colonial times to the Civil War. Prerequisites: ENC1101, 1102.

Course Competencies

Competency 1: The student will analyze and interpret Literary works by:

- 1. Evaluating specific literary elements, themes, and genres
- 2. Creating analytical and interpretive responses to assigned texts

Competency 2: The student will apply knowledge of foundational texts of early American literature by:

- 1. Analyzing texts from the pre-colonial era through the 1860s
- 2. Summarizing and valuing strengths, limitations, and cultural assumptions of various literary forms practiced in early America

Competency 3: The student will understand the historical, cultural, and social contexts in which the literature was written by:

- 1. Analyzing diverse early American cultures and the various identities and ideologies that shape early literary history
- 2. Including and understanding the issues, conflicts, preoccupations, and themes of American literature
- 3. Analyzing the impact of race, ethnicity, gender, class, and religion in early American literature

Competency 4: The student will apply proficient ability in oral and written communication by:

- 1. Creating, developing, organizing, and presenting ideas effectively
- 2. Including the conventions of Standard American English

Learning Outcomes:

- · Communicate effectively using listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills
- Solve problems using critical and creative thinking and scientific reasoning
- Demonstrate an appreciation for aesthetics and creative activities

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