**ÇANKAYA UNIVERSITY**

**FACULTY OF ARTS AND SCIENCES**

**DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE**

**FALL 2023-2024**

**ELL 471 20th Century Poetry Dr. Özkan Çakırlar**

**COURSE SYLLABUS**

**Course Description and Objectives:**

This course focuses on poetic works and perspectives emerging between approximately the end of the nineteenth century and the middle of the twentieth. Selected texts will be analyzed and discussed in connection with relevant historical and theoretical contexts, as well as in relation to other artistic or broader cultural developments. The course provides various conceptual and analytical perspectives on these works, and an opportunity for students to become familiar with some of the experimental approaches to form, content, and aesthetics that develop during this period, as well as with various conceptions of “modernism.”

**Course Activities**

During the semester, the methods of analyzing poetry and the characteristics of modernism will be discussed in relation to the various aspects of the poems selected particularly from English literature. To be able to create a vivid and fruitful atmosphere of discussion in the class each student should

1. Read the assigned chapters and poems in advance,
2. Participate in class discussions and do research on the related topics,
3. Attend one midterm and one final exam as well as several quizzes.

**Course Material**

Students will be provided with a collection of poems and essays as a reading packet. The text has been taken from:

Abrams M.H., ed.*The Norton Anthology of English Literature.* Vol. II*,* 6th ed. London: W.W. Norton & Company, Inc., 1993.

**Course Requirements and Means of Evaluation**

100 % attendance is recommended at all classes. Attendance and contribution to classes and discussions are vital for success in a literature class. Students’ contribution to and participation in class work and discussions will be taken into consideration in assigning their final grades. **Students who are found to have committed cheating in an examination or plagiarism on an assignment will fail the examination or assignment and the final grade of that course will be reduced by twenty percent (20 %). Further action will also be taken if necessary. Please see university regulations.**

Final grades will include:

1. Class Participation 10 %

2. Quizzes / Response Papers 30 %

3. Midterm Exam 30 %

4. Final Exam 30 %

**WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

**1st Week (October 2-6)** **Preparation of the Reading Packet**

**The 20th Century Introduction**

**Thomas Hardy**

"The Darkling Thrush"

“The Convergence of the Twain"

**2nd Week (October 9-13) A.E. Housman**

“Loveliest of Trees"

“To an Athlete Dying Young"

**3rd Week (October 16-20)**  **Poetry of World War I**

**Rupert Brooke**

"The Soldier"

**Siegfried Sassoon**

"They"

"Glory of Women"

**4th Week (October 23-27) Mary Borden**

“The Song of the Mud”

**Wilfred Owen**

“Dulce Et Decorum Est"

**5th Week (October 30-**  **Modernist Manifestos**

**November 3) F. S. Flint and Ezra Pound**

“Imagisme”

**T. E. Hulme**

“Autumn”

**Ezra Pound**

“In a Station of the Metro”

**H. D.**

“Sea Rose”

**6th Week (November 6-10) William Butler Yeats**

“Down by the Salley Gardens”

“The Lake Isle of Innisfree"

“Sailing to Byzantium"

**7th Week (November 13-17) MIDTERM** **EXAM**

**8th Week (November 20-24) Evaluation of the Midterm Exam**

**D. H. Lawrence**

“Piano”

“How Beastly the Bourgeois Is”

**Stevie Smith**

"Not Waving but Drowning"

**9th Week (November 27- T.S. Eliot**

**December 1)** “The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock"

**10th Week (December 4-8)** **Hugh MacDiarmid**

*From* “In Memoriam James Joyce”

**W.H. Auden**

“The Unknown Citizen”

**11th Week (December 11-15) Robert Graves**

“The Reader Over My Shoulder"

“The White Goddess”

**12th Week (December 18-22) Dylan Thomas**

“The Force That Through..."

“Do Not Go Gentle”

**13th Week (December 25-29)**   **Edith Sitwell**

“Still Falls the Rain” The Raids, 1940. Night and Dawn

**Henry Reed**

*From* “Lessons of the War: 1. Naming of Parts”

**Keith Douglas**

“Vergissmeinnicht”

**14th Week (January 2-5)**   **REVISION FOR THE FINAL EXAM**

**I WISH US ALL A SUCCESSFUL TERM**