#### **COURSE OUTLINE**

#### 1. GENERAL

1. GEREERE					
SCHOOL	SCHOOL OF PHILOSOPHY				
SEMESTER	WINTER				
DEPARTMENT	PHILOLOGY				
LEVEL	UNDERGRADUATE				
COURSE CODE	NEFF 103	CYCLE OF STUDY ALL			
COURSE TITLE	INTRODUCTION TO LITERARY THEORY				
AUTONOMOUS EDUCATI	IONAL ACTIVITIES		TEACHING HOURS PER WEEK		CREDITS/E CTS
Lectures	Lectures		3		5
COURSE TYPE					
Background, General knowledge, Scientific discipline, Development of Proficiencies	Background				
PREREQUISITIES	No				
TEACHING AND EXAM LANGUAGE	Teaching language: Greek. Exam language: Greek or English (for Erasmus students)				
AVAILABLE TO ERASMUS STUDENTS	Yes				
WEBSITE (URL)	E-learn				

## 2. LEARNING OUTCOMES

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The course aims to introduce students to literary theory, its basic concepts and the methods of some of its major trends. More specifically, upon completing this course, students will be able to:

- Understand what is the object of literary theory;
- Understand and explain the basic concepts and methods of theories such as Formalism, Structuralism, Narratology, Poststructuralism and Deconstruction, Feminist theory, Psychoanalytic criticism, Marxist literary theory and New Historicism;
- Use those concepts and methods in order to interpret literary texts as such, as well as their place and function in the literary field;
- Discuss the pros and cons of different theories.

## **BROAD KNOWLEDGE/COMPETENCIES**

General Competences

Taking into consideration the general competences that the degree-holder must acquire (as these appear in the Diploma Supplement and appear below), at which of the following does the course aim?

Search for, analysis and synthesis of data and information,	Project planning and management	
with the use of the necessary technology	Respect for difference and multiculturalism	
Adapting to new situations	Respect for the natural environment	
Decision-making	Showing social, professional and ethical responsibility and	
Working independently	sensitivity to gender issues	
Team work	Criticism and self-criticism	
Working in an international environment	Production of free, creative and inductive thinking	
Working in an interdisciplinary environment		
Production of new research ideas	Others	

Search for, analysis and synthesis of data and information, with the use of the necessary technology

Working independently

Respect for difference and multiculturalism

Respect for the natural environment

Showing social, professional and ethical responsibility and sensitivity to gender issues Criticism and self-criticism

Production of free, creative and inductive thinking

# 3. COURSE DESCRIPTION

- Introduction to the subject of literary theory
- Formalism
- Structuralism
- Narratology
- Poststructuralism Deconstruction
- Feminist theory
- Psychoanalytic criticism
- Marxist literary theory
- New Historicism

The concepts and methods of these theories will be explained in practice with the use of literary texts.

## 4. TEACHING AND LEARNING METHODS-EVALUATION

MODE OF DELIVERY	Classroom			
OTHER SOURCES/ TECHNOLOGICAL AND COMMUNICATION SUPPORT	<ul> <li>Course material and announcements on the E-learn platform</li> <li>Communication via email</li> </ul>			
COURSE STRUCTURE	ACTIVITY	WORKLOAD		
	Lectures	39		
	Study and preparation			
	for the exam	83		
	Final exam	3		
	Total (25 working hours per ECTS)	125		
STUDENT ASSESSMENT	Three-hour written exam in	Greek or English (for		
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Erasmus students).

Short-answer questions and short essays on:

- I. Basic concepts of different literary theories
- II. The use of literary theory concepts and methods for the interpretation of literary texts
- III. The pros and cons of different theories

For the assessment of the answers the following will be considered:

- fullness and accuracy;
- the extent of understanding the subject and the quality of critical thinking;
- erudition and fluency (structure, use of language).

#### 5. SUGGESTED BIBLIOGRAPHY

Peter Barry, *Beginning Theory: An Introduction to Literary and Cultural Theory*, Manchester: Manchester University Press, 2013

Jonathan Culler, *Literary Theory: A Very Short Introduction*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2011

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K. M. Newton (ed.), *Twentieth-Century Literary Theory. A Reader*, London: Palgrave Macmillan, 1997

Raman Selden (ed.), *The Cambridge History of Literary Criticism. / Vol. 8, From Formalism to Poststructuralism*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2008