



PENSACOLA STATE COLLEGE

Introduction to Humanities - Section Syllabus

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Final Exam Date: TBD

Last Date of Drop/Add: January 16

Last Date for Student to Withdraw: April 7

Course Description: An introduction to the study of the humanities, including philosophy, literature, and the arts. Examines cultural achievements from the Ancient World to the Contemporary Era. Meets AA general education, Humanities.

Class Meeting Time: Asynchronous

Class Location: Canvas LMS

Credits: 3 cc

Prerequisites: None.

Offered: FA, SP, SU.

Distribution: Meets AA General Education Core, Humanities requirement.

Required Textbooks and Instructional Materials: Free “Open Educational Resources” required, which can be found on the Instructional Component page in each module, as well as in the class Research Guide & Resources site, which is linked on the left sidebar.

Supplemental Textbooks and Instructional Materials: None.

Special Requirements: None.

Methods of Evaluation:

At minimum, the instructor will cover content which aligns with statewide and institutional learning outcomes for the course. The instructor will measure student performance using the following:

Grading Scale:	
90% - 100%	A
87% - 89%	B+
80% - 86%	B
77% - 79%	C+
70% - 76%	C
67% - 69%	D+
60% - 66%	D
0% - 59%	F

Grading Calculation	
Quiz Average (lowest dropped) N.B. Attendance Quizzes will not be dropped. (See Attendance Policy)	25%
Assignments	25%
Exam Average	50%
Totals	100%

Evaluations of student progress towards achieving the stated learning outcomes and performance objectives is the responsibility of the instructor, within the policies of the College and the department. Detailed explanations are included in the course supplementals developed by the instructor for each section being taught.

Attendance Policy

Regular class attendance and consistent class participation are significant factors that promote student success. Each student is expected to attend all class meetings of all courses for which he or she is registered. Each student is responsible for knowing and adhering to the faculty member's attendance policy for each course taken. Excessive absences can affect the course grade, course completion, and financial aid funding. In order to be considered as attending, you must complete at least one assignment during the first week of class, otherwise you will be withdrawn as a no-show even if you have logged into the class on Canvas.

Makeup & Late Work:

Quizzes & Exams: You may not make up quizzes you miss due to absence or tardiness. However, your lowest quiz grade will be dropped. Please consult with the instructor regarding missed exams.

Assignments: Assignments must be turned in by the due date whether you are in class on that day or not. You will submit your assignments electronically in Canvas on or before the due date.

LATE WORK IS NOT ACCEPTED

Student Expectations: Students enrolled in this course can expect the following:

1. clearly identified course objectives;

2. productive class meetings;
3. a positive learning environment;
4. opportunities for appropriate student participation;
5. effective instruction;
6. positive and appropriate interactions;
7. assistance with meeting course objectives during and beyond class hours;
8. evaluation of student performance and appropriate and timely feedback; and
9. clear and well-organized instruction.

General Education Student Learning Outcomes:

Critical Thinking: The student analyzes, evaluates, and, if necessary, challenges the validity of ideas, principles, or data in order to develop informed opinions, probable predictions, or defensible conclusions.

Communication: The student effectively communicates knowledge and ideas.

Cultural Literacy: The student demonstrates an understanding of human culture and its diversity.

Course Learning Outcomes:

1. Identify various works depicting painting, sculpture, architecture and relate them to various cultures and time periods.
2. Recognize certain works in poetry, literature, music, and philosophy and relate them to various schools and time periods.
3. Evaluate the significance of the humanities to both individuals and society.

Academic Dishonesty Statement:

Pensacola State College is committed to upholding the highest standards of academic conduct. All forms of academic dishonesty, to include plagiarism and cheating, are prohibited. Penalties for academic dishonesty include but are not limited to one or more of the following: the awarding of no credit on the assignment, a reduction in the course grade, or the assignment of a final course grade of F and removal from the course. See the College Catalog for more details: <https://pensacolastate.smartcatalogiq.com/en/2023-2024/Catalog/Student-Handbook/Student-Responsibilities/Plagiarism-and-Academic-Cheating>

Student Email Accounts:

Pensacola State College provides an institutional email account to all students enrolled in courses for credit. PirateMail is the official method of communication, and students must use PirateMail when communicating with the College. In cases where companion software is used for a particular class, email may be exchanged between instructor and student using the companion software.

Flexibility:

It is the intention of the instructor to accomplish the objectives specified in the course syllabus. However, circumstances may arise which prohibit the fulfilling of this endeavor. Therefore, this syllabus is subject to change. When possible, students will be notified of any change in advance of its occurrence.

ADA Statement:

Students with a disability that falls under the Americans with Disability Act or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, it is the responsibility of the student to notify Student Resource Center for ADA Services to discuss any

special needs or equipment necessary to accomplish the requirements for this course. Upon completion of registration with the Student Resource Center for ADA Services office, specific arrangements can be discussed with the instructor.

Equity Statement:

Pensacola State College does not discriminate against any person on the basis of race, ethnicity, national origin, color, gender/sex, age, religion, marital status, pregnancy, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, or genetic information in its educational programs, activities, or employment. For inquiries regarding Title IX and the College's nondiscrimination policies, contact the Executive Director, Equal Opportunity Compliance at (850) 484-1759, Pensacola State College, 1000 College Blvd., Pensacola, Florida 32504.

Security Statement:

Pensacola State College is committed to encouraging all members of the College community to be proactive in personal safety measures. In case of emergency, students should ensure that they are aware of the building exit closest to each of their classrooms, as well as all alternative building exits in case circumstances require using a different route.

Emergency Statement:

In the case of severe weather or other emergency, the College administration maintains communication with appropriate state and local agencies and makes a determination regarding the cancellation of classes. Notices of cancellation will be made through the College's PSC Alert system and on the College's website.

Course Policies:

1. This class will be conducted under the regulations defined in the Pensacola State College Code of Student Conduct in the College Catalog.
2. <https://pensacolastate.smartcatalogiq.com/2023-2024/catalog/>
3. Regular, punctual attendance is expected for face to face and live online classes.
Distance Learning Course Attendance: For any student enrolled in a distance learning course, participation in the course according to the schedule of events described by the instructor is considered attendance. A student who does not access the course in Canvas during the first week of class, does not take examinations by established due dates, or does not otherwise participate in the distance learning process as outlined by the instructor risks failure.
4. Talking or texting on a cell phone while class is in session is not allowed. If special circumstances/emergencies arise, please inform the instructor and step out of the classroom to take or make emergency calls.
5. Class disruptions, including but not limited to persistent talking while the instructor or another student is speaking, could result in your being asked to leave the class.
6. College policy disallows visitors in the labs or classrooms.
7. If you are asked to leave class for violating class policies, you will be counted absent from class and may not be allowed to make up work from that day. Before returning to class, you must contact the instructor.
8. Be courteous with your posts and be considerate of others' opinions and perspectives. Try to remain objective and respectful at all times. Derogatory, hurtful or harassing comments will not be tolerated, nor will foul language. Any posts with such material will be deleted and the student will receive a 0 for that assignment. A second violation may result in removal from the course.
9. If you violate class policies in a post or assignment, you will not be allowed to make up that work. Before resuming class, you must contact the instructor.

Use of Proctorio:

Proctorio is a Learning Integrity Platform

This course will use Proctorio, a remote proctoring solution designed to protect the integrity of this course's assessments. As your instructor, I've chosen the secure exam settings required by this course and only I will make a judgment as to any potential academic integrity violation.

Equity and Fairness

The reason I've chosen Proctorio for this course is to make education more equal, by giving each student an opportunity to earn the grades they deserve. The US Federal Government also requires that all schools have a process in place for verifying student identity to protect against Federal Student Aid (FSA) fraud.

Privacy

Proctorio is a trusted platform for remote proctoring because of its commitment to student privacy. Proctorio uses single sign-on through our LMS and only I or approved individuals, here at our institution, will have access to your exam data. Proctorio never requires personally identifiable information from students and Proctorio will never sell your data to third parties. Read more about Proctorio's approach to privacy here: <https://proctorio.com/privacy>

Security

Proctorio only runs as an extension in your browser. This means that Proctorio works within a sandbox and has limited access to your computer system unlike traditionally installed software applications that have complete access to your computer's hard drive, or other resources.

Proctorio only runs while you are taking your exam. After your exam ends, you may uninstall the extension by right-clicking on it, to bring you peace of mind. Just remember, you'll need to reinstall the extension again before starting your next exam.

All student data is kept safe using zero-knowledge encryption, meaning student data is scrambled and unreadable by anyone outside of our institution's learning platform. Even Proctorio cannot see your exam data. Read more about Proctorio security here: <https://proctorio.com/privacy>

Getting Started

Before getting started on your first exam, make sure to follow the instructions in [Proctorio's Quick Start Test Taker Guide](#) for the extension. To verify your computer system meets the requirements, take the practice quiz. This will ensure that everything will run smoothly on the day of the exam.

If after reading the Quick Start Test Taker Guide if you have any trouble while using Proctorio, you can reach out to Proctorio support for troubleshooting. Proctorio support is available 24/7 and can assist in troubleshooting any extension related issues before, during and after your exam. You can contact Proctorio support via email at support@proctorio.com or by starting a live chat by clicking the Proctorio extension's shield icon.

Proctorio Access Code:

- If you are asked for an access code for a quiz, that means something is not right with the set-up.
- Consult the [Proctorio Access Code Guide](#) for solutions.
- If you still have difficulty, contact [Proctorio Support](#).

DO NOT ASK THE INSTRUCTOR FOR A CODE.

