



Department of English

COURSES OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

Category I

[UG Programme for Bachelor in English(Honours) degree in three years]

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE 10 - (DSC-10) – : AMERICAN LITERATURE

No. of hours- 60(Theory- 45 hrs.+Tutorials -15 hrs.)

CREDIT DISTRIBUTION, ELIGIBILITY AND PRE-REQUISITES OF THE COURSE

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course (if any)
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
DSC 10: American Literature	4	3	1	0	Passed Class XII with English from List A in CUET	NIL

Learning Objectives

The Learning Objectives of this course are as follows:

- To offer students a foundational understanding of the literature of the United States with specific reference to the way it chronicles patterns of oppression and freedom in the lives of its peoples.
- To open up a range of possibilities in the way in which literature shapes and chronicles new frontiers and cultural groups.

Learning outcomes

The Learning Outcomes of this course are as follows:

- By studying this course, students will be able to trace the powerful role played by literature in shaping the emergent United States.
- Students will be enlightened on how literature chronicles and shapes both different kinds of enslavement and possibilities of liberation.

SYLLABUS OF DSC- 10

UNIT – I (15 hours)

1. Toni Morrison: *Beloved*

UNIT – II (15 hours)

2. Kate Chopin: *The Awakening*
3. Herman Melville: 'Bartleby the scrivener'

UNIT – III (15 hours)

4. Walt Whitman: (i) 'O Captain, My Captain' (ii) 'Passage to India'(lines 1–68)
5. Alexie Sherman Alexie: (i) 'Crow Testament' (ii) 'Evolution'

Practical component (if any) - NIL

Essential/recommended readings- as listed in the units

Suggestive readings:

1. Emerson, Ralph Waldo. 'Self-Reliance', *The Selected Writings of Ralph Waldo Emerson*. ed. Brooks Atkinson, New York: The Modern library, 1964.
2. Martin Luther King Jr, 'I have a dream', *African American Literature*. ed. Kieth Gilyard, Anissa Wardi, New York: Penguin, 2014. pp 1007-1011
3. Douglass, Frederick. Chaps. 1–7, *A Narrative of the life of Frederick Douglass*. Harmondsworth: Penguin, 1982. pp 47–87

4. Rich, Adrienne. 'When We Dead Awaken: Writing as Re-Vision', *College English*. Vol. 34, No. 1, Women, Writing and Teaching (Oct., 1972), pp. 18-30

5. Crevecoeur, Hector St John. Letter III: 'What is an American', *Letters from an American Farmer*. Harmondsworth: Penguin, 1982. pp 66–105

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE 11- (DSC-11) : Indian Writing in English

No. of hours- 60(Theory- 45 hrs.+Tutorials-15 hrs.)

CREDIT DISTRIBUTION, ELIGIBILITY AND PRE-REQUISITES OF THE COURSE

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course (if any)
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
DSC 11: Indian Writing in English	4	3	1	0	Passed Class XII with English from List A in CUET	NIL

Learning Objectives

The Learning Objectives of this course are as follows:

- To offer students a foundational understanding of the distinctively Indian qualities of literature in English, across a range of genres.
- To open up a sense of the Indian response to literary and political challenges in modern times.

Learning outcomes

The Learning Outcomes of this course are as follows:

- By studying this course, students will be able to gain a basic sense of Indian writing in English as a viable means to understand the evolution of modern India.

- Students' imagination will be stimulated by an understanding of how Indian writing in English opens up the challenges and complexities of contemporary India.

SYLLABUS OF DSC- 11

UNIT – I (15 hours)

1. Anita Desai: *The Clear Light of the Day*

UNIT – II (15 hours)

2. H.L.V. Derozio: (i) 'Freedom to the Slave' (ii) 'The Orphan Girl'
3. Kamala Das: (i) 'Introduction' (ii) 'My Grandmother's House'
4. Sarojini Naidu: (i) 'An Indian Love Song', (ii) 'In Salutation to the Eternal Peace'
5. Robin S. Ngangom: (i) 'The Strange Affair of Robin S. Ngangom' (ii) 'A Poem for Mother'

UNIT – III (15 hours)

6. Salman Rushdie: 'The Free Radio'
7. Shashi Deshpande: 'The Intrusion'
8. Padmanabhan, Manjula. 'Stains', *Hot Death, Cold Soup: Twelve Short Stories*. New Delhi: Kali for Women/Zubaan, 1996.

Practical component (if any) - NIL

Essential/recommended readings- as listed in the units

Suggestive readings:

1. Rao, Raja. 'Foreword', *Kanthapura*. New Delhi: OUP, 1989. pp v–vi
2. Rushdie, Salman. 'Commonwealth Literature does not exist', *Imaginary Homelands*. London: Granta Books, 1991. pp 61–70
3. Mukherjee, Meenakshi. 'Divided by a Common Language', *The Perishable Empire*. New Delhi: OUP, 2000. pp 187–203
4. King, Bruce. 'Introduction', *Modern Indian Poetry in English*. New Delhi: OUP, 2nd edn., 2005. pp 1–10

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE -12 (DSC-12) : Indian Writing in English Translation

No. of hours- 60(Theory- 45 hrs.+Tutorials -15 hrs.)

CREDIT DISTRIBUTION, ELIGIBILITY AND PRE-REQUISITES OF THE COURSE

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course (if any)
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
DSC 12: Indian Writing in English Translation	4	3	1	0	Passed Class XII with English from List A in CUET	NIL

Learning Objectives

The Learning Objectives of this course are as follows:

- To understand and celebrate the diversity of linguistic and regional influences on the shaping of modern India.
- To open up a sense of the sophistication and fluidity of Indian thought and literature even when it speaks through the medium of translation.

Learning outcomes

The Learning Outcomes of this course are as follows:

- By studying this course, students will gain knowledge of the richness of modern Indian writing.
- Students will be encouraged to understand how contemporary India owes its diversity to a range of literatures, cultures and regions.

SYLLABUS OF DSC-12

UNIT – I (15 hours)

1. Premchand 'The Shroud', *Penguin Book of Classic Urdu Stories*. ed. M. Assaduddin, New Delhi: Penguin/Viking, 2006.

2. Chughtai, Ismat. 'The Quilt', *Lifting the Veil: Selected Writings of Ismat Chughtai*. tr. M. Assaduddin. New Delhi: Penguin Books, 2009.

3. Senapati, Fakir Mohan. 'Rebati', *Oriya Stories*. ed. Vidya Das, tr. Kishori Charan Das, Delhi: Srishti Publishers, 2000.

UNIT – II (15 hours)

4. Bharati, Dharamveer. *Andha Yug*. tr. Alok Bhalla, New Delhi: OUP, 2009.

5. Tagore, Rabindranath. 'Light, Oh Where is the Light?' & 'When My Play was with thee', *Gitanjali: A New Translation with an Introduction*. trans. William Radice, New Delhi: Penguin India, 2011.

6. Muktibodh, G.M. 'The Void' (tr. Vinay Dharwadker) & 'So Very Far', (tr. Tr. Vishnu Khare and Adil Jussawala), *The Oxford Anthology of Modern Indian Poetry*. ed. Vinay Dharwadker and A.K. Ramanujam, New Delhi: OUP, 2000.

UNIT – III (15 hours)

7. Pritam, Amrita. 'I say unto Waris Shah' (tr. N.S. Tasneem), *Modern Indian Literature: An Anthology, Plays and Prose, Surveys and Poems*. ed. K.M. George, vol. 3, Delhi: Sahitya Akademi, 1992.

8. Singh, Thangjam Ibopishak. 'Dali, Hussain, or Odour of Dream, Colour of Wind' & 'The Land of the Half-Humans', *The Anthology of Contemporary Poetry from the Northeast*. tr. Robin S. Ngangom, NEHU: Shillong, 2003.

9. Macwan, Joseph. *The Stepchild*. Trans. Rita Kothari, Oxford University Press, New Delhi, 2004.

Practical component (if any) - NIL

Essential/recommended readings- as listed in the units

Suggestive readings:

1. Singh, Namwar. 'Decolonising the Indian Mind', *Indian Literature*, tr. Harish Trivedi, no. 151(Sept./Oct. 1992), 1992.

2. Ambedkar, B.R. Chaps. 4, 6, & 14, *Annihilation of Caste in Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar: Writings and Speeches*, vol. 1, Maharashtra: Education Department, Government of Maharashtra, 1979.
3. U.R. Ananthamurthy: 'Being a Writer in India'
4. Vinay Dharwadker: 'Some Contexts of Modern Indian Poetry'
5. Aparna Dharwadker, 'Modern Indian Theatre', *Routledge Handbook of Asian Theatre*. ed. Siyuan Liu, London: Routledge, 2016. pp 243-67

Note: Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi, from time to time.