# **SYLLABUS**

# MANONMANIAM SUNDARANAR UNIVERSITY, TIRUNELVELI-12 M. Phil. ENGLISH

(For all affiliated Colleges) (Curriculum Effective From July 2018 Onwards)

Semester-I								
Part	Subject Status	Subject Title	Subject Code	Credit				
1	Core –I	Research and Teaching Methodology	PEHC11	4				
2	Core—II	Critical Theory	PEHC12	4				
3	ELECTIVE PAPERS (any One )	Contemporary Literature	PEHO11	4				
4		Women's Studies	PEHO12	4				

Semester-II								
Subject Status			Subject Title	Subject Code	Credit			
1			Project and viva voce	PEHC2D	12			

# Paper - I RESEARCH AND TEACHING METHODOLGY

# **OBJECTIVES**

- To introduce the students to the research methodology associated with future courses in literature.
- To make the students understand the methodology of research.
- To enable the learners to prepare dissertation/thesis/journal papers.

# Unit – I

# Meanings and objectives of research

Research in language and literature, Materials and tools of research (books, anthologies, thesauruses, encyclopedias, conference proceedings, unpublished thesis, newspaper articles, journals, govt. publications, e-journals, web references, research cities, printed and web indexes, etc. e-mail discussions groups, special libraries. Advanced study centers, virtual libraries, web search engines, etc.)

# Unit – II

# The Process of research

Selecting a project: the survey of relevant literature: defining aims and objectives: designing hypothesis: scope and limitations: preparing a research proposal: planning, etc. – Mechanics of research

# Unit – III

# **Presentation of Research**

Title, aims and objectives: research format: avoiding plagiarism: quoting and creating in-text citations (documentation); research findings; using standard style sheets.

# Unit - IV

# Language, style and types of discourses

Diction, the style suitable for a literary thesis, Narration, Argumentation, Explosion, Description, Affective Fallacy. Dissociation of Sensibility, Figurative; Language, Intentional Fallacy, Objective Correlative, Pathetic fallacy, Point of view, Satire.

#### Unit – V

# **Methodolgy of Teaching**

Teaching — Objectives of Teaching, Phases of Teaching- Teaching Methods; Lecture Method, Discussion Method, Discovery Learning, Inquiry, Problem Solving Method, Project Method, Seminar — Integrating ICT in Teaching: Individualised Instruction, Ways for Effective Presentation with Power Point — Documentation — Evaluation; Formative, Summative & Continuous and Comprehensive Evaluation — Later Adolescent Psychology: Meaning, Physical, Cognitive, Emotional, Social and Moral Development — Teaching Later Adolescents.



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# Paper –II CRITICAL THEORY

# **Objectives:**

- Acquainting the learners with the various literary theories.
- To make the students appreciate and criticize texts and works of art themselves.

# UNIT - I

# **Theory after Theory**

- Peter Barry -- Legacies of Theory Presentism Presentism in practice New Aestheticism - New aestheticism in practice - What to read on new aestheticism - Cognitive poetics - Cognitive poetics in practice - What to read on cognitive poetics.
- 2. Jonathan Culler Structuralism and Literature

# UNIT - II

# Marxist literary theories

Roland Barthes - Andy Stafford and Susan McManus Moyra Haslett - The politics of literature: Marxist Literary Theories

# UNIT - III

# **Feminist Theory**

Helene Cixous – Julia Dobson Ruth Robbins - Will the real feminist theory please stand up?

# UNIT - IV

# **Deconstruction**

Paul de Man – The Resistance to Theory Julian Wolfreys – Deconstruction, what remains unread

# UNIT - V

# Postmodernism

Cleanth Brooks - The Primacy of the Reader Arkady Plotnitsky – Postmodernism and Postmodernity

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- 3. Contemporary Critical Theories From Lacan to Said, Edited by Jon Simons, Edinburgh University Press.
- 4. Introducing Literary Theories: A Guide and Glossary Edited by Julian Wolfreys, Edinburgh University Press.
- 5. Contemporary Criticism an Anthology Edited by V.S. Sethuraman, Macmillan Publishers India Ltd.



# Paper III Elective I CONTEMPORARY LITERATURE

# **Objectives:**

- To familiarize the students with the literary works of different countries and cultures.
- To enable the learners to compare the different works and get a better understanding of them.

# Unit I

# **British Literature**

Poetry Benjamin Zephaniah – 1) We Refugees 2) The Race Industry Drama Tom Stoppard - Arcadia Fiction Zadie Smith - Swing Time

#### Unit II

# **American Literature**

Poetry - Charles Bright-

North American Bear (The Norton Anthology of American Literature)

Drama Tracy Letts - August:Osage County

Fiction Rachel Gold - Being Emily

# Unit III

# **African Literature**

Poetry Francis Duggan -- Racism is Around me Everywhere

Herbert Logerie -- The Colour of Racism

Drama Athul Fugord -- A Lesson From Aleos

Fiction Ben Okri -- The Famished Road

# **Unit IV**

# **Canadian Literature**

Poetry Dorothy Livesay --1) Green Rain 2) Nocturne

Drama Joan Mac Leod -- The Valley Fiction Michael Ondaatje -- Divisadero

# Unit V

# **South Asian Literature**

Poetry Basil Fernando Yet Another Incident in July 1983

Drama Girish Karnad Wedding Album

Fiction Khalid Hosseine And the Mountains Echoed

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- 4. Karen Meyers, Erik V. R. Rangno, Jerry R. Phillips, Michael Anesko Contemporary American Literature, 1945 Present, 2010
- 5. W. J. Keith , Canadian Literature in English, Volume 2, 2006
- 6. Alex Tickell, South-Asian Fiction in English: Contemporary Transformation

# Elective – II WOMEN'S STUDIES

# **Objectives:**

- To sensitize the learners on the issues of women
- To analyze and interpret the various voices raised in support of women and to contribute towards women empowerment.

# Unit I:

# **Prose**

Virginia Woolf – Modern Fiction Arundhati Roy -- Walking with the Comrades

# Unit II:

# **Poetry**

Carol Ann Duffy -- "Anna Hathaway", "Onion" Sylvia Plath -- "Daddy", "The Colossus" Kamala Wijeyaretna -- "On Seeing a White Flag Across a Road" Imtiaz Dharkar – "Purdah I"

# Unit III:

# Drama

Susan Glaspel -- Trifles Vinodini -- Thirst Lorrainne Hansberry -- What Use are Flowers?

# **Unit IV:**

# **Fiction**

Jeannette Winterson -- Oranges are not the Only Fruit Mahasweta Devi – Draupadi

# Unit V:

# Fiction

Bama – Karukku Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie – Half of a Yellow Sun

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