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# Sichuan University

## School of Pittsburgh

### Introduction to Literature

Course Number (课程号): 312220030

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#### Course Objectives:

Through the lectures and reading of texts assigned, students will acquire fundamental knowledge on the history of literary theories.

#### Textbooks for the course:

1. Wellek, Rene and Austin Warren. *Theory of Literature*. New York: Harcourt, Brace and Company, 1949.
2. 韦勒克、沃伦：《文学理论》，新修订版，刘象愚等译，杭州：浙江人民出版社，2017年。
3. Amrams, M. H. *The Mirror and the Lamp: Romantic Theory and the Critical Tradition*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1971.
4. 艾布拉姆斯：《镜与灯：浪漫主义文论及其批评传统》，郅稚牛、张照进、童庆生译，北京：北京大学出版社，1989年。
5. Eagleton, Terry. *Literary Theory: An Introduction*, Anniversary Edition. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 2010.
6. 郭绍虞、王文生等编：《中国历代文论选》，上海，上海古迹出版社。

#### Requirements:

1. The Final Test
2. Quizzes.
3. Essays
4. Attendance.

#### Policies:

1. Grades Breakdown:  
Test 30%, Essays 30%, Quizzes 30%, Attendance 10%.
2. Reading Quizzes: there will be **THREE** quizzes during the semester. Each quiz worths 10%. **QUIZZES MAY COVER ALL MATERIALS THAT THE INSTURCTOR MENTIONED DURING CLASSTIME BUT NOT IN HIS POWERPOINTS.**
3. Essays: students are expected to submit **TWO** essays for the whole semester. The due date for submitting them is April 24<sup>th</sup> and June 12<sup>th</sup>. Each should be no shorter than 5 pages

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long, double spaced, with 12 fonts. Each assignment is worth 15%. The assignments will be posted **ON THE BLACKBOARD**. **The grade of any late notes will be curved DOWNWARDLY.**

4. The Final Test counts 30% for the grade. It will happen on the last class day, during the class time, in the classroom. Details of the test will be informed at least two weeks before the test.
5. Attendance: The lecturer will check the students' attendance AT LEAST three times per month. Absence MUST be excused.
6. 15 minutes after class time is late. Three lates without documented excuse will be considered as an absence.
7. Cheating and Plagiarism: The first Cheating in a quiz will reduce 10 points directly from the WHOLE credits of the course. The second Cheating in a quiz will FAIL the COURSE. **ANY plagiarism in the final paper will result an F of the COURSE.**
8. Disabilities: Students with documented disabilities are entitled to reasonable accommodations if needed. If you need accommodations, please contact me.