

# Syllabus

**Code:** ENGL 156 **Title:** Introduction to Poetry

**Institute:** Humanities **Department:** English

**Course Description:**

The student will read and discuss poetry from earliest times to modern times. Emphasis will be on how to read a poem for maximum enjoyment and understanding.

**Prerequisites:**

**Corequisites:**

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**Credits:** 3

**Lecture Hours:** 3

**Lab/Studio Hours:**

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**Required Textbook/Materials:**

See information on individual instructor's addendum.

**Additional Time Requirements:**

For information on Brookdale's policy on credit hour requirements and outside class student work refer to [Academic Credit Hour Policy](#).

**Course Learning Outcomes:**

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Develop the tools and skills necessary to analyze, discuss and enjoy a wide variety of poetry.
- Discuss orally and in writing the concepts of theme, style, voice, structure, sound, and imagery in poetry.
- Discuss orally and in writing how poems reflect historical and contemporary social issues.
- Create a college-level paper that analyzes and discusses some aspect of poetry.

(Communication, Critical Thinking, Information Literacy, Creative Expression Historical/Societal Analysis).

**Grading Standard:**

Students will be graded on attendance and participation, completion of assigned readings, written project(s), and exams as stated in the individual instructor's addendum. Numerical grading standards will be specified in the individual instructor's addendum.

**Course Content:**

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This course demands that a student read poems from classical times and global cultures up to contemporary poetry forms like “performance poetry.” Students will learn how to use a poetic vocabulary correctly in discussing poetry and will be encouraged to develop their own aesthetic judgments about poems. Class discussion about assigned poems is important and students will be asked to write about some poetry.

## **Department Policies:**

### **Attendance**

Attendance is integral to student success in this course and impacts the final grade. Students are expected to participate in discussions, workshops, and related class work. It is of the utmost importance that students make an effort to attend every class.

Please review your individual instructor’s addendum for specific information and clarification regarding the attendance policy.

### **Academic Dishonesty/Plagiarism**

In an academic community, nothing is taken more seriously than intellectual honesty. As a Brookdale student and member of the community of scholars, students must take responsibility for their own work and refrain from taking credit for someone else’s intellectual property. Intentionally submitting the work of another in a way that represents it as one’s own constitutes plagiarism. This can result in the student’s grade being lowered, failure of the course, and/or reporting to the appropriate academic officer.

### **Submission of Work**

Students are expected to meet all deadlines and due dates for assignments. Instructors are under no obligation to accept late work.

### **Behavior**

Students must act in a manner appropriate to a college classroom. Any behavior that interferes with other students’ ability to do their work will not be tolerated.

### **Computers & Computer Access**

Computers are used to help facilitate the writing process. Intentional misuse or mistreatment is strictly forbidden. Computers are available for student use outside the classroom in the Bankier Library and The Writing Center (LAH118).

## **College Policies:**

As an academic institution, Brookdale facilitates the free exchange of ideas, upholds the virtues of civil discourse, and honors diverse perspectives informed by credible sources. Our College values all students and strives for inclusion and safety regardless of a student’s disability, age, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, race, ethnicity, country of origin, immigration status, religious affiliation, political orientation, socioeconomic standing, and veteran status. For additional information, support services, and engagement opportunities, please visit [www.brookdalecc.edu/support](http://www.brookdalecc.edu/support).

For information regarding:

- ◆ Brookdale’s Academic Integrity Code
- ◆ Student Conduct Code
- ◆ Student Grade Appeal Process

Please refer to the [BCC STUDENT HANDBOOK AND BCC CATALOG](#).

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## **ADDITIONAL SUPPORT/LABS:**

See the Tutoring Center for information <https://www.brookdalecc.edu/academic-tutoring/>.

## **Writing Center**

At the Writing Center, students can work one-on-one with a writing consultant at any stage of the writing process, from drafting, to revision, to proofreading. Writing Center appointments can help students clarify their main points, incorporate feedback, and address grammar and mechanical issues in the context of their own writing.

The Writing Center is located on the Lincroft campus in Room 118 Larrison Hall (732-224-2941). Hours are posted on the Writing Center website.

Writing consultants are also available at the Higher Education Centers.

See more about the Writing Center here <https://www.brookdalecc.edu/academic-institutes-and-departments/humanities-institute/writing-center/>.

## **NOTIFICATION FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES:**

Brookdale Community College offers reasonable accommodations and/or services to persons with disabilities. Students with disabilities who wish to self-identify must contact the Accessibility Services Office at 732-224-2730 (voice) or 732-842-4211 (TTY) to provide appropriate documentation of the disability and request specific accommodations or services. If a student qualifies, reasonable accommodations and/or services, which are appropriate for the college level and are recommended in the documentation, can be approved.

## **Mental Health:**

24/7/365 Resources:

- Monmouth Medical Center Psychiatric Emergency Services at **(732) 923-6999**
- 2nd Floor Youth Helpline – Available to talk with you about any problem, distress, or hardship you are experiencing. Call or text at **888-222-2228** or visit the website at <https://www.2ndfloor.org/>

Faculty Counselors:

- Students who need to make an appointment with a faculty counselor can do so by calling 732-224-1822 (non-emergency line) during business hours. Faculty counselors are licensed mental health professionals who can assist students and refer them to other mental health resources.

## **DIVERSITY STATEMENT:**

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