

Competency 1

The student will demonstrate a knowledge of various literary genres by

- reading critically to identify specific literary elements;
- composing analytical and interpretive responses to assigned works;
- analyzing the relationship between form and content.

Competency 2

The student will analyze and interpret literary works from a variety of perspectives, including

- historical;
- philosophical (ethical, spiritual, political);
- social (values and customs);
- aesthetic.

Competency 3

The student will produce reasoned, critical responses to the universal concerns in literature by

- examining themes, conflicts, emotions, ideas and experiences which illustrate the continuity of human experience;
- confronting the complex issues of being an individual - as part of a group or outside the group.

Competency 4

The student will demonstrate proficiency in oral, non-verbal, and written communication by

- generating, developing, organizing, and presenting ideas effectively;
- shaping communication to purpose, audience, and occasion;
- analyzing similarities and differences between oral and written communication;
- analyzing the impact of variables such as gender, orientation, and ethnicity;
- practicing critical listening;
- observing the conventions of Standard American English.

