



Course Description

SPW2020 | Selected Readings in Latin American Literature | 3.00 credits

This course examines outstanding works, authors, genres, and major literary currents in Latin American literature. Students will develop their critical thinking and analytical skills through in-depth study of texts, enhancing their ability to communicate complex ideas through clear, well-structured written assignments. Additionally, learners will improve their public speaking abilities through oral presentations and discussions of literary works, preparing them to articulate their thoughts effectively in both written and verbal forms.

Course Competencies:

Competency 1: The student will be able to identify different literary periods and historical background by:

1. Identifying, analyzing, and evaluating major themes and literary techniques in the reading of Latin American literature
2. Analyzing characteristics unique to each literary period

Competency 2: The student will critically read, interpret texts, and evaluate literary works from different viewpoints by:

1. Recognizing and discussing cultural, historical, religious, societal, and aesthetic characteristics

Competency 3: The student will examine recurring themes expressed in the literature pieces studied by:

2. Comparing and contrasting the themes within one period and country
3. Comparing and contrasting literary styles within one period and country
4. Comparing and contrasting literary Authors

Competency 4: The student will show proficiency in writing by:

1. Composing, organizing, and presenting ideas
2. Addressing purpose and audience effectively
3. Writing analytical and interpretive responses to assigned works
4. Adhering to the formalities set forth by the Spanish Royal Academy

Learning Outcomes:

- Communicate effectively using listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills
- Formulate strategies to locate, evaluate, and apply information