

# Unit Outline (Higher Education)

**Institute / School:** Institute of Education, Arts & Community

**Unit Title:** Literary and Screen Genres

Unit ID: BATCC2004

Credit Points: 15.00

**Prerequisite(s):** (BATCC1001 or BATCC1002 or FLMES1001 or FLMES1002 or LITCI1000 or

LITCI1001)

Co-requisite(s): Nil

Exclusion(s): (BATCC3004)

**ASCED:** 091523

#### **Description of the Unit:**

This course involves an in-depth examination of screen and literary genres which may include noir, fantasy, science fiction, melodrama, gothic, horror and/or comedy, as well as their derivatives and variations. Topics may include the thematic, stylistic and narrative conventions of a particular genre; its intended emotional effect; the historical development of the genre; and the wider social, cultural and economic contexts which have impacted on the production and reception of texts within the genre. Throughout the course we will engage with contemporary film and literary theory in order to explore how a range of social issues, such as gender, race, class, sexuality and violence, are represented and/or commented upon in selected texts.

**Grade Scheme:** Graded (HD, D, C, P, MF, F, XF)

**Work Experience:** 

No work experience

Placement Component: No

**Supplementary Assessment:** Yes

Where supplementary assessment is available a student must have failed overall in the Unit but gained a final mark of 45 per cent or above, has completed all major assessment tasks (including all sub-components where a task has multiple parts) as specified in the Unit Description and is not eligible for any other form of supplementary assessment

## **Course Level:**

Level of Unit in Course	AQF Level of Course						
Level of official Course	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Introductory							
Intermediate			V				
Advanced							

## **Learning Outcomes:**

On successful completion of the course the students are expected to be able to:

## **Knowledge:**

- **K1.** Analyse one or more literary and screen genres through the study of selected exemplary and critical texts
- **K2.** Identify the thematic, stylistic and narrative conventions of the selected genres
- **K3.** Recognise how genres are shaped by their historical, social, cultural and economic contexts
- **K4.** Analyse how genres engage with social issues such as gender, race, class and sexuality

#### **Skills:**

- **S1.** Demonstrate critical viewing and reading practices.
- **S2.** Articulate an informed perspective on issues of genre and interpretation of texts.
- **S3.** Undertake research to deepen understanding of specific texts, concepts, issues and theoretical perspectives
- **S4.** Analyse genres in relation to their historical, social, cultural and/or economic contexts

#### Application of knowledge and skills:

- **A1.** Apply knowledge and skills to communicate an argument about or analysis of a text in written, visual and/or oral form.
- **A2.** Critically review, analyse and synthesise knowledge of a variety of primary and secondary texts and key concepts

#### **Unit Content:**

## Topics may include:

- Theories of genre
- Thematic, stylistic and narrative genre conventions
- Intended emotional effects
- The historical development of selected genres
- Significant genre texts in literature and screen
- Historical, social, cultural and economic contexts
- Race, class, gender and sexuality
- Genre representation of or commentary upon social issues.

#### **FEDTASKS**

Federation University Federation recognises that students require key transferable employability skills to prepare them for their future workplace and society. FEDTASKS (**T**ransferable **A**ttributes **S**kills and **K**nowledge) provide a targeted focus on five key transferable Attributes, Skills, and Knowledge that are be embedded within curriculum, developed gradually towards successful measures and interlinked with cross-discipline and Cooperative Learning opportunities. *One or more FEDTASK, transferable Attributes, Skills or Knowledge must be evident in the specified learning outcomes and assessment for each FedUni Unit, and all must be directly* 



assessed in each Course.

FEDTASK attribute and descriptor		Development and acquisition of FEDTASKS in the Unit		
		Learning Outcomes (KSA)	Assessment task (AT#)	
FEDTASK 1 Interpersonal	Students will demonstrate the ability to effectively communicate, inter-act and work with others both individually and in groups. Students will be required to display skills inperson and/or online in:  Using effective verbal and non-verbal communication Listening for meaning and influencing via active listening Showing empathy for others Negotiating and demonstrating conflict resolution skills Working respectfully in cross-cultural and diverse teams.	S2, A1	Not applicable	
FEDTASK 2 Leadership	Students will demonstrate the ability to apply professional skills and behaviours in leading others. Students will be required to display skills in:  Creating a collegial environment  Showing self -awareness and the ability to self-reflect  Inspiring and convincing others  Making informed decisions  Displaying initiative	Not applicable	Not applicable	
FEDTASK 3 Critical Thinking and Creativity	Students will demonstrate an ability to work in complexity and ambiguity using the imagination to create new ideas. Students will be required to display skills in:  Reflecting critically Evaluating ideas, concepts and information Considering alternative perspectives to refine ideas Challenging conventional thinking to clarify concepts Forming creative solutions in problem solving.	K1, K4, S1, S2, S4, A1, A2	AT1, AT2, AT3	
FEDTASK 4 Digital Literacy	Students will demonstrate the ability to work fluently across a range of tools, platforms and applications to achieve a range of tasks. Students will be required to display skills in:  • Finding, evaluating, managing, curating, organising and sharing digital information  • Collating, managing, accessing and using digital data securely  • Receiving and responding to messages in a range of digital media  • Contributing actively to digital teams and working groups  • Participating in and benefiting from digital learning opportunities.	S3, A1	AT1, AT3	
FEDTASK 5 Sustainable and Ethical Mindset	Students will demonstrate the ability to consider and assess the consequences and impact of ideas and actions in enacting ethical and sustainable decisions. Students will be required to display skills in:  • Making informed judgments that consider the impact of devising solutions in global economic environmental and societal contexts  • Committing to social responsibility as a professional and a citizen  • Evaluating ethical, socially responsible and/or sustainable challenges and generating and articulating responses  • Embracing lifelong, life-wide and life-deep learning to be open to diverse others  • Implementing required actions to foster sustainability in their professional and personal life.	Not applicable	Not applicable	



# **Learning Task and Assessment:**

Learning Outcomes Assessed	Assessment Tasks	Assessment Type	Weighting
K2, S2, S3, S4, A1	Present an argument in a written/visual format about the use of thematic, stylistic and/or narrative conventions in genre/s	Poster/presentation	25-35%
K1, K2, S1, S2, S4, A2	Apply knowledge of set texts and key concepts in responses to short answer questions	Test	25-35%
K3, K4, S2, S3, S4, A1, A2	Research and apply appropriate theory to an analysis of genre texts	Research essay	30-40%

## **Adopted Reference Style:**

MLA

Refer to the <u>library website</u> for more information

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