Common Course Outline ENGL 210

Introduction to Creative Writing: Poetry

3 Semester Hours

Community College of Baltimore County

Description

ENGL 210 - Introduction to Creative Writing: Poetry Provides the opportunity to learn and practice the craft of poetry; examines the work of modern and contemporary poets through reading and discussion.

Prerequisite: ENGL 101 or consent of instructor

Overall Course Objectives

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

- 1. identify the sources of their own imaginations
- 2. apply a composing process that begins with a notion (memory, image, phrase, etc.) and ends with a poem
- 3. develop a variety of lines, stanzas and forms
- 4. write extended images
- 5. write lines in a variety of meters
- 6. critique the work of other students constructively
- 7. identify what is useful in the critiques of your own work by other students
- 8. analyze the poems of modern and contemporary poets
- 9. develop a coherent portfolio of poems.

Major Topics

- imagination as a source for writing
- writing as a process
- imagery
- poetic meter and poetic form
- revising
- modern and contemporary poetry.

Course Requirements

Individual writing assignments will be determined by the instructor and will be described in the syllabus for each section. However, all students will:

- 1. participate actively in workshop activities
- 2. complete in-class and out-of-class writing exercises
- 3. submit a portfolio of at least eight completed poems.

Other Course Information

The final grade will be based on the student's writing, evaluated in an end-of-the-course portfolio.

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