

## Tamkang University Academic Year 107, 2nd Semester Course Syllabus

Course Title	POSTHUMANISM AND ANIMAL STUDIES IN MIDDLE AND EARLY MODERN E	Instructor	IRIS RALPH
Course Class	TFLXD1A DOCTORAL PROGRAM, DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH, 1A	Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Selective</li> <li>◆ One Semester</li> <li>◆ 2 Credits</li> </ul>

### D e p a r t m e n t a l   A i m   o f   E d u c a t i o n

- I . Cultivate diverse research specialists with abilities in language, literature, culture, and English teaching.
- II. Carry on and further the excellent tradition of domestic language instruction and literary research to be a department contributing equally to research and language teaching.
- III. Foster a holistic learning process by putting equal emphasis on language and literature, theory and practice.
- IV. Strategies
  1. Train students' abilities in five skills: English listening, speaking, reading, writing and translation.
  2. Promote technologicalization and internationalization.
  3. Upgrade the quality and quantity of those students who participate in the Junior Year Abroad program.
  4. Launch a common English Proficiency Test and enhance students' competitiveness in the job market.
  5. Enrich international video conferencing.
  6. Promulgate such areas of research as English and American literature, cultural studies, ecocriticism, and English Teaching.

### D e p a r t m e n t a l   c o r e   c o m p e t e n c e s

- A. Nurture the ability to do research in literary studies, language teaching, and linguistics.
- B. Strengthen qualitative and quantitative research methods and abilities in critical thinking.
- C. Cultivate professional ethics and social responsibility.

Course Introduction	This course introduces students to key statements in animal studies and posthumanism studies and builds on students' skills in using and applying critical theory.
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**The Relevance among Teaching Objectives, Objective Levels and Departmental core competences**

I.Objective Levels (select applicable ones) :

- (i) Cognitive Domain : C1-Remembering, C2-Understanding, C3-Appling, C4-Analyzing, C5-Evaluating, C6-Creating
- (ii) Psychomotor Domain : P1-Imitation, P2-Mechanism, P3-Independent Operation, P4-Linked Operation, P5-Automation, P6-Origination
- (iii) Affective Domain : A1-Receiving, A2-Responding, A3-Valuing, A4-Organizing, A5-Charaterizing, A6-Implementing

II.The Relevance among Teaching Objectives, Objective Levels and Departmental core competences :

- (i) Determine the objective level(s) in any one of the three learning domains (cognitive, psychomotor, and affective) corresponding to the teaching objective. Each objective should correspond to the objective level(s) of ONLY ONE of the three domains.
- (ii) If more than one objective levels are applicable for each learning domain, select the highest one only. (For example, if the objective levels for Cognitive domain include C3,C5,and C6, select C6 only and fill it in the boxes below. The same rule applies to Psychomotor Domain and Affective Domain.)
- (iii) Determine the Departmental core competences that correspond to each teaching objective. Each objective may correspond to one or more Departmental core competences at a time. (For example, if one objective corresponds to three Departmental core competences: A,AD, and BEF, list all of the three in the box.)

No.	Teaching Objectives	Relevance	
		Objective Levels	Departmental core competences
1	Teaching objectives correspond to objective levels.	C1	ABC
2	Please see below	A1	ABC
3	Please see below	C2	ABC
4	Teaching objectives correspond to objective levels.	A2	ABC
5	Teaching objectives correspond to objective levels.	A3	ABC
6	Teaching objectives correspond to objective levels.	C3	ABC
7	Teaching objectives correspond to objective levels.	A4	ABC
8	Teaching objectives correspond to objective levels.	A5	ABC
9	Teaching objectives correspond to objective levels.	A6	ABC

10	Teaching objectives correspond to objective levels.	C4	ABC
11	Teaching objectives correspond to objective levels.	C5	ABC
12	Teaching objectives correspond to objective levels.	C6	ABC

**Teaching Objectives, Teaching Methods and Assessment**

No.	Teaching Objectives	Teaching Methods	Assessment
1	Teaching objectives correspond to objective levels.	Lecture, Discussion, Appreciation, Problem solving	Report, Participation
2	Please see below	Lecture, Discussion, Appreciation, Problem solving	Report, Participation
3	Please see below	Lecture, Discussion, Appreciation, Simulation, Problem solving	Report
4	Teaching objectives correspond to objective levels.	Lecture, Discussion, Appreciation, Simulation	Report, Participation
5	Teaching objectives correspond to objective levels.	Lecture, Discussion, Appreciation, Simulation, Problem solving	Report, Participation
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12	Teaching objectives correspond to objective levels.	Lecture, Discussion, Appreciation, Simulation, Problem solving	Report, Participation

This course has been designed to cultivate the following essential qualities in TKU students

Essential Qualities of TKU Students	Description
◆ A global perspective	Helping students develop a broader perspective from which to understand international affairs and global development.
◆ Information literacy	Becoming adept at using information technology and learning the proper way to process information.
◆ A vision for the future	Understanding self-growth, social change, and technological development so as to gain the skills necessary to bring about one's future vision.
◆ Moral integrity	Learning how to interact with others, practicing empathy and caring for others, and constructing moral principles with which to solve ethical problems.
◆ Independent thinking	Encouraging students to keenly observe and seek out the source of their problems, and to think logically and critically.
◆ A cheerful attitude and healthy lifestyle	Raising an awareness of the fine balance between one's body and soul and the environment; helping students live a meaningful life.
◆ A spirit of teamwork and dedication	Improving one's ability to communicate and cooperate so as to integrate resources, collaborate with others, and solve problems.
◆ A sense of aesthetic appreciation	Equipping students with the ability to sense and appreciate aesthetic beauty, to express themselves clearly, and to enjoy the creative process.

#### Course Schedule

Week	Date	Subject/Topics	Note
1	108/02/18 ~ 108/02/24	Introduction	
2	108/02/25 ~ 108/03/03	Animal Studies	
3	108/03/04 ~ 108/03/10	Animal Studies	
4	108/03/11 ~ 108/03/17	Animal Studies	
5	108/03/18 ~ 108/03/24	Animal Studies	
6	108/03/25 ~ 108/03/31	Film	
7	108/04/01 ~ 108/04/07	Excursion	
8	108/04/08 ~ 108/04/14	Posthumanism	
9	108/04/15 ~ 108/04/21	Posthumanism	
10	108/04/22 ~ 108/04/28	Posthumanism	
11	108/04/29 ~ 108/05/05	Posthumanism	
12	108/05/06 ~ 108/05/12	Posthumanism	

13	108/05/13 ~ 108/05/19	Posthumanism	
14	108/05/20 ~ 108/05/26	Posthumanism	
15	108/05/27 ~ 108/06/02	Posthumanism	
16	108/06/03 ~ 108/06/09	Posthumanism	
17	108/06/10 ~ 108/06/16	Posthumanism	
18	108/06/17 ~ 108/06/23	Film	
Requirement	Participation includes attendance and the completion of a writing assignment and peer review work.		
Teaching Facility	Computer, Projector		
Textbook(s)	Dando, Eric Yoshiaki. Oink, Oink, Oink. Hunter Publishers, 2008. Alaimo, Stacy. Exposed: Environmental Politics and Pleasures in Posthuman Times. U of Minnesota P, 2016.		
Reference(s)	Modern Language Association. MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers. 8th Edition. MLA, 2016. Estok, Simon C. The Ecophobia Hypothesis. Routledge, 2018.		
Number of Assignment(s)	(Filled in by assignment instructor only)		
Grading Policy	◆ Attendance :           %   ◆ Mark of Usual :           %   ◆ Midterm Exam :           % ◆ Final Exam :           % ◆ Other < Writing/Peer Review > : 100.0 %		
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