

GRANDE PRAIRIE REGIONAL COLLEGE

DEPARTMENT OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

**COURSE:** English 3700: Early Twentieth-century British Literature

**INSTRUCTOR:** Dr. J. Mighton

**CREDIT:** 6(3-0) UT (6)

**PREREQUISITE:** Any one full-term or any two single-term junior English courses

**DESCRIPTION:** The works studied in this course represent a wide variety of reactions to the twentieth-century world. With respect to the content, one finds very powerful expressions of discontentment with certain aspects of our culture and, indeed, with civilization itself. Particular areas of concern include imperialism and war, the loss of the natural environment and rural traditions, modern technology, the relationships between men and women, the effect on the individual of traditional as well as contemporary social, political and religious ideologies. Equally important, and frequently related to the content, are the radical departures from traditional form employed by many of the foremost poets and novelists of this century.

**COURSE**

**REQUIREMENTS:** 3 essays of approximately 2000 words dealing with course texts.  
(20% each)  
A 1 hour mid-term examination (10%)  
A 3 hour final examination (30%)

Marks will be deducted for papers turned in late, and no paper will be accepted after the others are returned.

Attendance is expected at all classes; it will be assumed, therefore, that students are aware of course material as well as announcements, deadlines, etc. given in class.

## REQUIRED READING

Ellman and O'Clair (eds.) Modern Poems: A Norton Introduction 2nd edition.  
Norton Poets to be discussed will include Hardy, Hopkins, Housman,  
Yeats, Eliot, Laurence, Thomas.

Joseph Conrad. Great Short Works of Joseph Conrad. Harper

Thomas Hardy. Tess of the D'Urbervilles. Signet

E.M. Forster. A Room With a View. Penguin

Ford Madox Ford. The Good Soldier. Penguin

Virginia Woolf. To the Lighthouse. Oxford

James Joyce. A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man. Penguin. Some sections of  
Ulysses will also be discussed.

D. H. Lawrence. Women in Love. Penguin

Evelyn Waugh. A Handful of Dust. Penguin

Aldous Huxley. Brave New World. Penguin

Orwell. Inside the Whale and Other Essays. Penguin

Fowles. The French Lieutenant's Woman. Signet