



POETRY

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TYPE OF COURSE : New | Core | UG/PG

COURSE DURATION : 12 weeks (20 Jul' 20 - 9 Oct' 20)

EXAM DATE : 17 Oct 2020

PRE-REQUISITES : Interested Learners

INTENDED AUDIENCE : College students and general audience who are interested in poetry reading and writing

INDUSTRIES APPLICABLE TO : Multinational companies which emphasize creativity, imagination, empathy, and concise writing will recognize this course

COURSE OUTLINE :

This course on Poetry introduces students to various forms of poetry like tale, ballad, sonnet, lyric, epic, mock epic, satire, elegy, ode, dramatic monologue, free verse, etc., primarily from British poetry historically, also including a few poets from the US and India, with a view to cultivating an imaginative leap through empathy and effective communication in students. Students will learn about different poetic techniques and linguistic devices used by poets to communicate their feelings and thoughts exactly and creatively.

ABOUT INSTRUCTOR :

Professor S P Dhanavel received his PhD on the Poetry of A R Ammons, a 20th century American poet, from Tripura University and published numerous research papers on Ammons. He is also the author of The Indian Imagination of Girish Karnad (2000), English and Communication Skills (2009) English and Soft Skills (2010), English Language Teaching in India (2012), Communication and Soft Skills (2015), Personality Development (2018), and English and Soft Skills Vol.2 (2019). Currently, he teaches courses on Poetry, Communication, and, Literature and Life at IITMadras.

COURSE PLAN :

- Week 1:** Introduction and Chaucer
- Week 2:** Elizabethan Poetry
- Week 3:** Metaphysical poetry
- Week 4:** Neo-classical poetry
- Week 5:** Pre-Romantic Poetry
- Week 6:** Romantic Poetry
- Week 7:** Victorian Poetry
- Week 8:** Modern Poetry
- Week 9:** Postmodern Poetry
- Week 10:** Feminist Poetry
- Week 11:** Postcolonial Poetry
- Week 12:** Writing about Poetry and Conclusion