

Course Code	Course Name	Credits
26EN606	AFRICAN WRITINGS IN ENGLISH	04

### Course Objectives

- To introduce students to the works of African writers
- To gain awareness and appreciation of African poetry, drama, fiction and short stories
- To appreciate the historical and social contexts expressed in African literature
- To develop the ability to interpret literature through varied lenses, including feminist, Marxist, and historical criticism.
- To recognize the unique aesthetic contributions of African writers to world literature.

### Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course it is intended that a student will be able to:

- At the end of the course students will have a knowledge and understanding of African literature
- Appreciate the universal values presented in the works of African writers
- Understand the historical and socio-cultural aspects discussed in the works of African writers
- Apply research skills to produce critical essays, book reviews, or presentations on specific authors or movements.
- Relate literary works to contemporary, societal, and political issues within and across African nations

### Unit 1 - Introduction (10 Hrs.)

History of African Literature, Characteristics of African Literature, "What is Negritude?" by Leopold Senghor

### Unit 2 – Poetry (12 Hrs.)

Leopold Senghor : "Prayer to Masks"

Okot p'Bitek: "My Husband's Tongue is Bitter"(from *Song of Lawino*)

Christopher Okigbo : "Heaven's Gate"

Gabriel Okara : "The Spirit of the Win"

### Unit 3 – Short Story(12 Hrs.)

Bessie Head: "Life",

Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie: "My Mother, The Crazy African"

### Unit 4 –Fiction (12 Hrs.)

Nadine Gordimer: *The Pickup*

J.M. Coetzee: *Waiting for the Barbarians*

### Unit 5 - Drama (14Hrs.)

Ola Rotima: *The God's are not to be Blamed*

Wole Soyinka: *The Lion and the Jewel*

### Reference Books:

1. A Janet G. Vaillant, *Black women Léopold Sédar Senghor*, Harvard University Press, 1990
2. Adichie, Amanda Ngozi. *My Mother, the Crazy African*. Web Del Sol, In Posse Review. Spectrum Publishers. Retrieved 26 November 2019.
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4. Coetzee, J.M. *Waiting for the Barbarians*. Vintage, 2004.
5. Gabriel Okara, *Once Upon a Time*, in *Collected Poems*, University of Nebraska Press, 2016.
6. Grace, Ogot. *Land Without Thunder*. East African Publishing House, 1968
7. Gordimer, Nadin. *The Pickup*, Picador, 2013.
8. Micere Githae Mugo *The trial of Dedan Kimathi* by Ngugi, wa Thiong'o; Long Grove, Illinois Waveland Press, 2014.
9. P'Bitek, Okot. *Song of Lawino & Song of Ocol*. Heinemann, 1984.
10. Soyinka, Wole. *The Lion and the Jewel*. Oxford University Press, 1963.
11. Soyinka, Wole. *Poems of Black Africa*. England, Secker & Warburg, 1975.
12. Rotimi, Ola. *The Gods are not to be Blame*. OUP Oxford, 1974.
13. Rotimi, Ola. *Half of a Yellow Sun*. Farafina, 2006.

**COs and Bloom's Taxonomy Mapping – 26EN606**

<b>Course Outcomes</b>	<b>On successful completion of this course, students will be able to</b>	<b>BTL</b>
<b>CO1</b>	At the end of the course students will have a knowledge and understanding of African literature	K1, K2
<b>CO2</b>	Study and apply the historical and socio-cultural aspects in the works of African writer to modern day generations.	K3
<b>CO3</b>	Analyze the historical and socio-cultural aspects discussed in the works of African writers	K4
<b>CO4</b>	Students will be able to discuss research skills to produce critical essays, book reviews, or presentations on specific authors or movements	K5
<b>CO5</b>	Students will be able to relate literary works to contemporary, societal, and political issues within and across African nations	K6

**BTL K1 and K2 – remembering and understanding, K3- Applying, K4 – Analyse, K5- Evaluate and K6- Create**

**Relationship Matrix – 26EN606**

<b>Course Outcomes</b>	<b>Programme Outcomes (POs)</b>						<b>Programme Specific Outcomes (PSOs)</b>						<b>Mean Score of Cos</b>
	<b>PO1</b>	<b>PO2</b>	<b>PO3</b>	<b>PO4</b>	<b>PO5</b>	<b>PO6</b>	<b>PSO1</b>	<b>PSO2</b>	<b>PSO3</b>	<b>PSO4</b>	<b>PSO5</b>	<b>PSO6</b>	
<b>CO1</b>	3	2	1	3	3	1	3	3	1	2	1	1	2.00
<b>CO2</b>	3	2	3	1	2	2	2	2	3	2	1	1	2.00
<b>CO3</b>	3	3	2	3	1	1	2	2	3	2	2	2	2.16
<b>CO4</b>	2	2	2	2	3	1	2	1	2	3	3	1	2.00
<b>CO5</b>	3	2	3	1	2	2	2	2	3	2	2	2	2.16
<b>Total</b>													2.06

Mean Score: 3- High, 2- Medium/Moderate, 1-Low

