Hacettepe University Faculty of Letters Department of English Language and Literature

SYLLABUS

Title of the Course: IED 466 03 British Drama IV

Instructor:

Year and Term: 2015-2016 Spring Class Hours: Monday 09:00-11:50

Classroom: B8 ZK 03

I. Aim of the Course

The aim of the course is to develop student awareness of British drama dating from 1980 to the present times. The thematic, technical and stylistic contribution of each playwright will be thoroughly analysed. The plays will be studied with reference to cultural theories, post-colonial and feminist theory where appropriate. Issues peculiar to each plat will particularly be emphasized so as to provide a social, cultural and theoretical background enabling a deeper and better understanding of the work.

II. Course Outline

Week I General Introduction

Week II Mustapha Matura: Welcome Home, Jacko (1979)

Post-war immigration to England, the other, the third space, hybridity, Afro-Caribbean dramatists,

Rastafarianism

Week III Sarah Daniels: Neaptide (1984)

Lesbian drama, feminist theatre companies

Week IV - V Timberlake Wertenbaker: The Grace of Mary Traverse (1985)

Feminisms

Week VI Mid-Term I

Week VII Edward Bond: Restoration (1988)

A socio-political variation of the Restoration comedy of manners

Week VIII Brain Friel Dancing at Lughnasa (1990)

Socio-cultural issues related to Ireland

Week IX- X Sarah Kane: Blasted (1995)

In-yer-face theatre

Week XI Mid-Term II

Week XII Tom Stoppard: Indian Ink (1995)

Colonialism, post-colonialism, an overview of Anglo-Indian relations

Week XIII Mark Ravenhilll: Mother Clap's Molly House (2001)

Sexual identities, gay/queer theatre

Week XIV Overall evaluation

Week XV Final exam

III. Textbooks

Students are expected to provide the plays at the beginning of the semester. The plays can be found mainly at Bilkent University Library.

IV. Method of Instruction

The course will be student oriented and there will also be some lectures, group work and individual work.

V. Requirements

The students are expected to come to class having read the assigned material.

Attendance is obligatory. More than 11 (eleven) hours of absence will result in F1.

Marks below 50 in the final assessment will be regarded as failure.

VI. Assessment

The students will be receiving marks for all types of in class and at home assignments. There will be two Mid-Terms, an in class presentation and a Final examination. In the grading of the examination papers, up to 25% of the total mark will be taken off for grammatical and writing mistakes. Class participation will be seriously taken into consideration while giving the final grades.

Presentation and participation 15% - 5%
Mid-Terms 15% each
Final Assessment 40% final exam
10% theatre review