

## Far Western University Faculty of Education B.Ed. in English Education

Course Title: Creative Writing

Nature: Theory

Course No.: Eng.Ed.356

Level: Undergraduate

Credit: 3

Teaching Hours: 48

Semester: Fifth

#### 1. Course Introduction

This course introduces students to poetic techniques, story writing and essay writing with the aim of enabling them to create poems, short stories and essays. It will enable them to gain an appreciation of how poetry works, and develop confidence in deploying such devices as metre, rhyme and figurative language. This course is practical in nature and students are expected to write their poems and short stories of different length including essays. The course also aims to help them use creative writing to help their students develop their English competency.

#### 2. General Objectives

General objectives of this course are to:

- a) Expose the students to a wide range of verse forms and structures and the components of short story.
- b) Help them experience techniques that can be used to use creative writing in ELT.
- c) Build their confidence in writing in a wide range of verse forms.
- d) Provide them an opportunity to show their ability to recognize and experiment with different poetic structures and techniques.
- e) Enable them to gain confidence in writing short stories.
- f) Enable them to engage their students in creative writing activities to improve their English.

3. Contents in detail with Specific Objectives

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Specific Objectives	Contents in Detail		
• Explain creative writing.	<b>Unit One: Introduction to Creative writing(9 Hrs)</b>		
• Describe the differences between creative	1.1. Defining creative writing		
writing and other kinds of writing.	1.2. Creative writing and other kinds of writing		
• Discuss the purposes of creative writing.	1.3. Purpose of creative writing		
• Be familiar with different forms of creative	1.4. Different forms of creative writing (poems,		
writing.	stories, essays)		
<ul> <li>Define poetry and be familiar with the elements of a poetry.</li> <li>Compose different types of poetry.</li> <li>Identify rhyme, rhythm and metre (iamb, trochee, dactyl, anapest) in a poem and compose poems with such devises.</li> <li>Be familiar with the figures of speech (simile, metaphor, imagery, alliteration, personification, etc.) and use them in writing poetry.</li> <li>Be familiar with and compose different forms of poetry (haiku, couplets, acrostics, sonnet, lyric).</li> <li>Be familiar with free verse and compose</li> </ul>	Unit Two: Writing Poetry (15 Hrs)  2.1. Elements of a poetry  2.2. Compose descriptive poetry, reflective poetry, narrative poetry, lyric, sonnet, elegy, limerick and haiku  2.3. Rhyme, rhythm and metre  2.4. Figures of speech  2.5. Forms of poetry (sonnet, haiku, acrostic, limerick, lyric, epic, couplet, free verse)  2.6. Free verse  2.7. Prose vs poetry  2.8. Poetry for language development		

• Distinguish between prose and poetry. • Write different kinds of poems and plan lessons to teach language through literature. **Unit Three: Fiction (Writing Short Stories)** • Identify plot, theme, dialogue, character, and conflict in a short story. (12Hrs) 3.1. Components of a short story • Write short stories (mini-saga, stories of 600 words, stories of 1500 [and more] 3.2. Telling a story (fables, fairy tales, narrative words). stories and other fictional stories) • Design lesson plans to teach language 3.3. Writing short stories through story. 3.4. Story for language development • Write different kinds of short stories. • Identify the elements of an essay. **Unit Four: Non-fictional Prose (12 Hrs)** • Identify descriptive, narrative, cause and 4.1. Elements of an essay (audience, purpose, effect, compare and contrast, persuasive, subject, point of view, mode of writing, reflective, argumentative essays, and write organization, rhetoric) them. 4.2. Write descriptive, narrative, cause and effect, • Talk about the difference between compare and contrast, argumentative, travelogue and fiction. persuasive, reflective essays. • Write short travelogues (500 to 1500 4.3. Write travelogues. 4.4. Non-fiction prose for ELT • Design lesson plans to teach language through essays and travelogue. • Write different kinds of non-fictional

## 4. Methodology and Techniques

• guided reading

prose.

- guided writing tasks
- short demonstration by the tutors
- classroom presentations by the students
- guided use of relevant websites
- use of tutor notes and handouts
- writing trips

#### 5. 5. Evaluation Scheme

## 5.1 Internal Evaluation 40%

d) Mid-term exam:

Internal Evaluation will be conducted by course teacher based on following activities.

a) Attendance and Participation in class activities:

b) Assignment I: Reflective Notes and Class presentation:

(Reflective notes on 2 to 4 questions given by teacher at the end of the every unit and presentation on any two questions among them)

c) Assignment II: an Term paper/ Essay/Project and Interview:

(Logical essay/term paper/project on the topics chosen by students and approved by the teacher and interview)

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#### 5.2 External Evaluation (Final Examination) 60%

Office of the Controller of Examination will conduct final examination at the end of semester.

Types of questions	Total questions to be asked	Number of questions to be answered and marks allocated	Total marks
Group A: Multiple choice items	10 questions	10 × 1	10
Group B: Short answer questions	6 with 2 'or' questions	6×5	30
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Students will be deemed to have completed the course on the basis of satisfactory engagement with the writing tasks set in each unit. They will be deemed to be worthy of credit if, in addition to satisfactory engagement with the writing tasks, they, as project work 1 and 2 submit a portfolio of four poems comprising approximately 130 lines of verse, two short stories of 2,000 words each a travelogue of about 3000 words, and an essay or a haibun of at least 1500 words. In the mid-term exam, they would either sit for a writing test or do some project works.

#### **External Evaluation: 60%**

#### **Recommended Reading**

- 1. Abrahams, M.H., & Harpham, G.G. (2015). *A glossary of literary terms* (11th edition). Cengage Learning.
- 2. Alan, D., & Maley, A. (2009). Literature. Oxford University Press.
- 3. Maley, A. (2006). English through literature. Central Radio and TV University Press.
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- 7. Rai, V.S. (2013). A handbook for teaching English at the secondary schools of Nepal. NELTA Birgunj & American Embassy, Nepal.
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- 10. Wright, A., & Hill, D.S. (2009). Writing stories. Helbling.



# Far Western University Faculty of Education B.Ed. in English Education

Course Title: Language Testing

Course No.: Eng.Ed.357

Level: Undergraduate

Semester: Fifth

Nature: Theory

Credit: 3

Teaching Hours: 48

#### 1. Course Introduction

This is an introductory course on Language Testing for the students pursuing their undergraduate level The course combines both practical and theoretical aspects for developing the learners skills on language testing. The aim of the course is to introduce the students the basic concepts of language testing and involve them in designing the tests. It develops basic concepts in testing the English language tests for enhanced teaching and learning. The course encompasses six units. The unit one deals with the introduction of language testing. Unit two deals various types of tests. Unit three deals with the practical aspects of language testing on designing various types of tests. Unit four deals with qualities of language tests. Unit five orients' learners with scoring techniques for the learners and the stages of test construction.

#### 2. General Objectives

General objectives of this course are to:

- a) Introduce the students to the basic concepts of language testing.
- b) Make them familiar with qualities of language testing.
- c) Expose them to the various types of tests.
- d) Provide them exposure to the aspects of language testing.
- e) Enhance their abilities and skills to analyze the test items.
- f) Enable the students to construct test items to measure language skills.

#### 3. Contents with Specific Objectives

Specific Objectives	Contents in Detail	
• Explain the basic concepts of	<b>Unit One: Introduction to Language Testing (8 Hrs)</b>	
language testing.	1.1. Introduction	
• Differentiate between Testing and	1.2. Testing and Teaching	
Evaluation	1.3. Evolution of Language Testing: from discrete point	
• Define language testing as a separate	testing to Communicative testing	
discipline	1.4. Language Testing as a Separate Discipline	
	1.5. Testing and Assessment	
	1.6. Approaches to Language Testing	

Classify language tests based on	Unit Two: Classification of Tests (9 Hrs)	
different criteria.	2.1. Goal Based Tests	
	2.2. Mode Based Tests	
• Explain the purpose and application of various test types.	2.3. Medium Based Tests	
	2.4. Aspect Based Tests	
Analyze the advantages and     The following the second seco	2.5. Reference Based Tests	
limitations of different test	2.6. Standardized tests	
classifications.	2.0. Standardized tests	
Design sample test items based on		
different classification criteria.		
• Evaluate the effectiveness of		
standardized and non-standardized		
tests.		
Task for the students	Create one <b>test item</b> for each classification category (goal-	
	based, mode-based, medium-based, aspect-	
	based, reference-based, and standardized).	
	Each item should align with its category,	
	include a brief explanation of its purpose and	
	be suitable for an English language learner at	
	the secondary level.	
	Submit a short report (200–250 words) explaining your test	
	items	
Describe the sub-skills of language	Unit Three:Testing Language Skills and aspects(15Hrs)	
skills.	4.1. Sub Skills of Language Skills	
<ul> <li>Design language tests to measure</li> </ul>	4.2. Testing Language Skills: Listening, Speaking, Reading,	
different skills.	Writing	
• Familiar with the techniques of	4.3. Testing Language Aspects: Grammar, Vocabulary,	
testing grammar vocabulary and	Pronunciation, Testing language function	
pronunciation.		
<ul> <li>Devise tests to test grammar.</li> </ul>		
vocabulary and pronunciation.		
• Task for the students	Design at least <b>two test items</b> for each skill: Listening,	
	Speaking, Reading, and Writing and provide clear	
	instructions, expected responses, and scoring criteria.	
	Select a grammar, vocabulary, or pronunciation test	
	from the annual examination of Grade 9 of any secondary	
	school of your district and analyze its strength and	
	weaknesses.	
Identify different types of	<b>Unit Four: Practical Aspects of Language Testing (8Hrs)</b>	
reliability and understand how to	<ul><li>4.1. Getting a grip on Reliability</li><li>4.2. Making a sense of Validity</li></ul>	

• Task for the students	Scoring Objective Tests Choose an objective test (e.g., a multiple-choice, true/false,	
	6.5 Improving test items	
	6.4 Stages of test construction	
construction.	6.3. Scoring Techniques	
• Figure out the stages of test	6.2. Scoring Objective Tests	
• Be familiar with scoring techniques.	6.1. Scoring Subjective Tests	
Develop skills in scoring tests.	Unit Five: Scoring Tests and Construction (8 Hrs)	
	qualities listed above.	
	Present suggestion for improving each test in terms of the	
	based on the analysis.	
	listed above. Your evaluation of which test is more effective	
	Prepare a comparison of both tests for each of the qualities	
	pages) that includes:	
	Based on your comparison, write a detailed report (3-4	
	Prepare a Comprehensive Report	
	Administrability and Economy	
	Washback Effects, Practicality, Scoreability,	
	in terms of the following qualities: Reliability, Validity,	
	structure or format. Evaluate and compare both test papers	
	Ensure that the tests cover similar topics but may vary in	
	book, previous exams of SEE, or other available resources.	
papers	vocabulary, reading comprehension) either from your course	
analysis of language test question	Choose two language test question papers (e.g., grammar,	
• Assignment 2: Comparative	Select Two Language Test Papers:	
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economy of language tests		
scoreability, administrability, and		
<ul> <li>Evaluate the practicality,</li> </ul>		
negative washback.		
and design tests that minimize		
influence teaching and learning,		
<ul> <li>Discuss how language tests</li> </ul>		
tests.	·	
construct) to evaluate language	4.4.3 Economy	
types of validity (content, criterion,	4.4.2 Administrability	
<ul> <li>Recognize and apply different</li> </ul>	4.4.1 Scoreability	
inter-rater, and internal consistency methods.	<ul><li>4.3. Looking at Washback effects</li><li>4.4. Practicality quality of a good test:</li></ul>	

	or matching test) from your course book.		
	Score the test for a sample of responses (either from your		
	own or a classmate's work).		
	Pay close attention to:		
	Consistency in scoring.		
	Ensuring clarity and fairness in your grading process.		
	Provide feedback on your scoring approach, challenges in		
	scoring, ensuring consistency across different students'		
	responses.		
	Scoring Subjective Tests:		
	Create a subjective question (e.g., essay, short answer) based		
	on a topic you've recently studied.		
	Develop a scoring rubric that clearly defines the criteria for		
	a high-quality response.		
	Score the subjective responses of either your own or a		
	classmate's essay or short answer.		
	Focus on:		
	Objectivity in grading.		
	Use of the rubric to assess responses.		
	Write a brief reflection on the scoring process for subjective		
	items. How rubrics help ensure fairness in grading.		
Model question paper preparation	Prepare a full model question paper for SEE students		
and presentation	covering:		
	Language Skills: Listening, Speaking, Reading, Writing.		
	Language Aspects: Grammar, Vocabulary, Pronunciation,		
	Language Functions.		
	Include <b>clear instructions</b> , time allocation, and a <b>marking</b>		
	scheme.		
	Each student will present their paper and justify their test		
	design choices.		

## 4. Methodology and Techniques

## Modes of instruction:

➤ Lecture, Exercises, Guided study, Tutorial, Independent study and Project work

## Modes of learning:

➤ Attending lectures, Doing assignments, Writing papers, Independent and private study, Reading books, reviewing journals and papers, Critiquing, Group study and Peer discussion

#### 5. Evaluation Scheme

Internal 40%External 60%

#### **5.1 Internal Evaluation 40%**

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a)	Regularity and class participation	10 marks
b)	Assignment I: Project work/ reflective notes and presentation	10 marks
c)	assignment II: Term paper/project work/Essey and presentation	10 marks
d)	Mid-term Exam	10 marks

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#### 6. Prescribed Texts

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Hughes, A. (2003). Testing for Language Teachers. Delhi. Cambridge University Press.

Khaniya, T.R. (2010). Examination for Enhanced Learning.

Bachman, L.F. (1990). Fundamental considerations in language testing. Oxford: OUP.

## **Reference Books**

Coombe, C., Davidson, P., O'Sullivan, B. and Stoynoff, S. (2012). *The Cambridge guide to second language assessment*. Cambridge. CUP.

Green, A. (2014). Exploring language assessment and testing. London. Routledge.



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Course Title: Language in Society

Nature: Theory

Course No.: Eng.Ed.358 Credit: 3

Level: Undergraduate Teaching Hours: 48

Semester: Fifth

#### 1. Course Introduction

This course covers concepts related to language in society. It is designed for students who are interested in pursuing an undergraduate degree in English language education and wish to familiarize themselves with sociolinguistic concepts and issues. Students may also wish to apply concepts and research findings from sociolinguistics in order to better understand and improve their pedagogical practices. In this course, students will start by reading the relation of language and society. They will also develop ideas on bilingualism and multilingualism. They will develop basic concept of language change, and language policy in multilingual situation of Nepal. The learners will be familiarized with the current issues in socio linguistics like linguistic imperialism, global competence and intercultural competence. Final unit deals with different sociolinguistic patterns: language and social class.

#### 2. General Objectives

General objectives of this course are to:

- a) Investigate the relationship between language, culture and society
- b) Understand and interpret sociolinguistic variables such as dialect, register and style
- c) Discuss language policy and planning in society.
- d) Examine the relationship between language, gender and age.
- e) Analyze the characteristic of bilingualism and multilingualism in context of Nepal.
- f) Discuss about code switching and code mixing.
- g) Identify the current issues of linguistic imperialism.
- h) Describe various sociolinguistic patterns.

#### 3. Contents in detail with Specific Objectives

Specific Objectives	Contents in Detail	
• Define sociolinguistics.	Unit One: Language culture and Society	( 9 Hrs.)
• Show the relationship among	1.1 Introduction to sociolinguistics	
language, culture and society.	1.2 Language and Society	
<ul> <li>Mention characteristics of dialect</li> </ul>	1.3 Language and culture	
and register	1.3.1 Direction of Influence	

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Discuss the language	1.3.2 The Whorfian Hypothesis		
standardization process.	1.3.3 Correlation		
	1.4 Language and Dialect		
	1.4.1 The mutual Intelligibility		
	1.4.2 The role of Social identity		
	1.5 Language Standardization		
	1.6 Register, Style, and Genre		
	<b>Assignment:</b> Show the relationship between language and		
	society with the examples of your own community.		
Define bilingualism and	Unit Two: Language in Contact: Bilingual and		
multilingualism.	Multilingual Society (12 Hrs.)		
• Enlist causes of language shift and	2.1 Bilingualism		
language death	2.1.1Types of Bilingualism		
• List reasons of code switching and	2.1.2 Diaglossia		
mixing	2.1.3 Language shift , Death and Revitalization		
	2.2 Multilingualism		
Be familiar with multilingual	2.2.1 Language ideology and surrounding multilingualism		
context and use of language in	2.2.2. Linguistic Landscape		
multilingual setting.	2.2.3 Code Switching and Code Mixing		
Orient on language families in	2.2.4. Language attitude in multilingual setting		
NEPAL.	2.3 Sociolinguistic Situation of Nepal		
• List the mother tongues of Nepal.			
	<ul><li>2.3.1 Mother Tongues in Nepal</li><li>2.3.2 Language Families in Nepal</li></ul>		
	2.3.3 Bilingualism and Multilingualism in Nepal		
	Assignment: Record a conversation of your friends in		
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	different context and analyze why they mix and switch the		
	code during their conversation.  Unit Three: Current issues in Sociolinguistics (7 Hrs)		
• Mention current issues in			
sociolinguistics.	3.1. Linguistic Imperialism		
Mention the aspects of linguistics	3.1.1 Aspects of Linguistic Imperialism : Language		
imperialism.	Dominance, Hegemony and power		
• Discuss the role of global and	3.1.2 English in Core and English in Periphery		
intercultural competences	3.1.3 Linguistic imperialism and ELT		
	3.2 Global Competence		
	3.3 Intercultural competences		
	Assignment: Write an essay on English language and		
	Linguistic imperialism (about 500 words)		
Show the relationship between	Unit Four: Linguistics and Social Justice (8 Hrs.)		
language, gender and sexuality. fc4.1 Language, Gender and sexuality			
Review the relationship between	4.2 Sexist language		
language and gender	4.2.1 Grammatical Gender Marking		
Describe women's language	4.2.2 Features of sexist language		

• Familiarize with the language and	4.3 Deficit, Dominance, Difference, and Identities	
identity	4.3.1 Women's language	
	4.3.2 Dominance and Difference	
	4.3.3 Gender and sexuality Identities	
•Discuss the concept of language	Unit Five: Language Policy and Planning (12 Hrs.)	
policy and planning along with its	5.1 Language policy and planning	
types.	5.2 Types of Language Planning	
• Explain the role of agents in	5.3Agency in Language Policy	
language policy.	5.4 Language policy in Nepal	
• Familiarize with language policy in context of Nepal	History, politics and power	
	<ul> <li>Multilingual education policies and practices</li> </ul>	
	5.5 Mother tongue based Multilingual Education in Nepal	
	5.6 Medium of Instruction Policy in Nepal	
	5.7 English as Medium of Instruction in Nepal	
	Assignment: Go to a school where EMI has been practiced	
	and ask teachers and students why they have started EMI	
	policy at their school and prepare a report on Reasons of	
	EMI implementation in Nepal	

## 4. Methodology and Techniques

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