

**Nirma University**

**Syllabus for the Ph.D. Entrance Examination**

Name of the Institute	:	Institute of Technology
Name of the Department / Subject	:	English
Academic Year	:	2024-2025

Literary Canon: Twentieth Century British Literature, Twentieth Century American Literature, Post-independence Indian Writing in English.  
Literary Movements: Structuralism, Post-structuralism, Modernism, Post-modernism  
Twentieth Century Literary Theory

Twentieth Century American Literature: Representative works by selected authors: Mark Twain, Hemingway, Faulkner, Fitzgerald, Henry James, Saul Bellow, Toni Morrison, John Barth, Robert Frost, Sylvia Plath, Tennessee Williams, Arthur Miller, Eugene O'Neill etc.

Twentieth Century British Literature: Selected authors: D.H. Lawrence, James Joyce, Virginia Woolf, TS Eliot, WB Yeats, Joseph Conrad, Ted Hughes, Harold Pinter.

Post-independence Indian writing in English: Selected authors like R K Narayan, Anita Desai, Salman Rushdie, Nissim Ezekiel, Kamala Das, Amitav Ghosh, Mahesh Dattani .

Language Teaching Methods and Materials, Curriculum Design

**Suggested readings:**

Modern Criticism and Theory: A Reader – edited by David Lodge and Nigel Wood

Beginning Theory: An Introduction to Literary and Cultural Theory – Peter Barry Ellis, R. (2003). Second language acquisition (Oxford Introductions to Language Study). Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Hughes, A. Testing for language teachers (2nd edn). Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Littlewood, W. Communicative language teaching: An introduction. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Richards, J. C. & Rodgers, T. S. Approaches and methods in language teaching: A description and analysis. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

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