Semester II: Courses in ENGLISH

A.ENG.2.01: The Elements of Drama

A.EES.2.01: Effective English Skills for College: Critical Reading, Thinking and Writing F.Y. B.A. A.ENG.2.01

Title: The Elements of Drama

Learning Objectives: To acquaint the first year student with the basic elements of drama. The student will learn to understand and apply concepts such as theme, plot, structure, characterization, and dramatic technique in the context of a variety of dramatic styles.

Number of lectures: 60

Topics:

I A. The elements of drama – definition of terms (5 lectures)

I B. Modern Drama- selected readings (15 lectures)

II. Types of drama with their defining characteristics – tragedy, comedy (10 lectures)

III. Texts for detailed study: Shakespeare: Twelfth Night or The Merchant of Venice (15 lectures)

IV. Text for detailed study- Shaw: Arms and the Man or Major Barbara (15 lectures)

CIA 1: Unit I A. CIA 2: Group presentations on Unit I B.

Recommended Reference Books: Boulton, Majorie, Anatomy of Drama Croft, Steven and Helen Cross, Literature, Criticism and Style

F.Y.B.A A.EES.2.01: Effective English Skills for College

Topic: Critical Reading, Thinking and Writing (Literature)

Learning Objectives: To enable the student to acquire appropriate communication skills for effective college learning. Critical reading, thinking and writing are increasingly being seen as intertwined activities which constitute the foundation of university education. Hence the student will be introduced to a variety of complex and thought-provoking multicultural readings which raise ethical issues and challenges pertaining to contemporary situations. The student will be encouraged to develop independent critical responses and articulate them during class discussions and writing assignments in the tutorials.

Number of lectures: 3

Topics:

1. Introduction to post-colonialism (5 lectures)

2. Analysis of selected post-colonial narratives and poems (25 lectures)

3. Discussions, debates and presentations based on the readings (15 tutorials) 0 + 15 tutorials