

Department of English Programme: BBA/BCom/BSc/BA Additional English						
Semester	Course Code	Course Title	Course Duration	Course Type	Teaching Hours Per week	Credits
II		Nature and Narratives	45 hours	Offline	3	3
<b>Course Objectives:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attempt close readings of literary texts, focusing on how narratives shape our ideas about nature.</li> <li>Explore how our relationship with nature is imagined.</li> <li>Develop an understanding of literature's ability to think beyond the "human" in the context of ecological catastrophe.</li> </ul>					
<b>Course Outcomes:</b>						<b>T Levels:</b>
CO1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enhance critical thinking and developed their interpretative skills for literary analysis.</li> </ul>					T5 T6
CO2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Engage with environmental issues through the lens of narratives.</li> </ul>					T5
CO3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discover how literature offers alternative perspectives and emotional insights in the face of a global ecological crisis.</li> </ul>					T3 T6
<b>Module 1</b>	<b>Human -Nature Relationships</b>					<b>15 Hours</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Walden (Excerpts) – Thoreau</li> <li>Where is the fiction about Climate Change? – Amitav Gosh (Excerpts from <i>The Great Derangement: Climate Change and the Unthinkable</i>)</li> <li>Whale Rider – Ihimaera</li> </ol>						T5 T6 T3
<b>Module 2</b>	<b>Nature Personified</b>					<b>15 Hours</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Hidden Lives of Trees – Peter Wohlleben (Excerpts)</li> <li>Small Towns and the River – Mamang Dai</li> <li>The Elephant Whisperers- Documentary</li> </ol> <p><b>Suggested Readings:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(Controversy over ‘The Elephant Whisperers’ provokes questions about documentary storytelling)</li> <li>What the death of an Oak Tree can teach us about mortality – Gabriel Popkin (Aeon)</li> </ul>						T5 T6 T3

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Me Green Poem – Benjamin Zephaniah</li> <li>• Haiku – Japanese Nature Poems</li> </ul>		
<b>Module 3</b>	<b>Environmental Crisis and Restoration</b>	<b>15 Hours</b>

1. Wounded Hills: A documentary on the environmental issues of the Western Ghats- Documentary	T5 T3
2. Watchers of the earth – Carrie Arnold (Aeon)	T6
3. Weathering With You -Makoto Shinkai	

<b>Self-Learning Topics:</b>	
1	Seaspiracy – Ali Tabrizi
2	Moby Dick – Herman Melville
3	Melville and the Sea – William Hamilton
4	David Attenborough: A Life on our Planet
5	Silent Spring – Rachel Carson (Excerpts)
6	Old Man and the Sea- Hemingway
7	Greta Thurnberg’s Speech
8	The Way to Rainy Mountain- Native American Narrative

<b>Skill Development:</b>	
1	Critical thinking and creative expression of ideas and arguments centered on the theme.
2	Interpretative skills for literary analysis.

<b>Mapping of CO and PO</b>												
CO/PO	PO1	PO2	PO3	PO4	PO5	PO6	PO7	PO8	PO9	PO10	PO11	PO12
<i>CO1</i>				H	H	M		L		M		L
<i>CO2</i>				H	H	M		L		M		L
<i>CO3</i>				M		H	H	M		L		L