

ENGL 3328-001, American Literature since 1890

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Course Description

The 20th Century has often been called the American Century and this course will examine the rhetoric and substance of this claim. We will focus on American literature within an international context, and will trace the emergence of those forms of writing that typify the American style, if such a thing can be said to exist. A thorough accounting of ethnicity, gender, sexuality, and race will define the contours of our considerations. History, politics, and the sciences, both social and natural, will factor into the course's exploration of the past century and of the present.

Required Texts

Cain, William E., Alice McDermott, Lance Newman, and Hilary E. Wyss, eds. *American Literature*. Vol. 2. 2nd ed. Boston: Pearson, 2014. Print. ISBN-13: 978-0-13-405336-3

McCarthy, Cormac. *Blood Meridian, or The Evening Redness in the West: 25th Anniversary Edition*. New York: Vintage, 2010. Print. ISBN-13: 978-0-679-72875-7