

ENG 190/Spring 2010

Women in Literature

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TT: 3:00-4:15

Course Description: ENG 190 fulfills the General Education Human Values--Literature requirement. In this course you will read, discuss and write about novels from the 20th century, specifically how these texts represent significant issues and values in literature by women. The works will range from realism to fantasy to ecofiction. We will explore themes such as: idealism and passion in the face of restrictions, survival in adversity, and challenging family relations and the psychological consequences.

Required readings include novels by Margaret Atwood, Doris Lessing, Jane Smiley, Edwidge Danticat, Jeanette Winterson, Barbara Kingsolver, Ursula LeGuin and Nella Larsen.

Grading: discussion, exams, short writing assignments.