LITR19049 *Romantic and Contemporary Poetry*
Term 1 - 2020

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General Information

Overview
Poetry, as they say, is a many splendid thing: the art of the unsayable, an outlet for expressing innermost thoughts and feelings, a special use of language and poetic forms such as metaphor and metonymy, a certain kind of discourse, an aesthetic practice, a form of knowing that sits outside conventional epistemologies - the list goes on. Poetry has had a significant influence on contemporary intellectual thought: Freud, for example, repeatedly acknowledged that the poets preceded him in all his thoughts. The aim of this unit is to introduce students to the plethora of poets and poetic forms represented in the Romantic and Contemporary eras, to show them a form of advanced poetics that will inform their reading practices, and to introduce the sorts of challenges to modern poetic orthodoxies represented by recent developments in post-structuralist literary theory. Students will also explore the main influences poetry has had on contemporary thought.

Details
Career Level: *Undergraduate*
Unit Level: *Level 2*
Credit Points: *6*
Student Contribution Band: *7*
Fraction of Full-Time Student Load: *0.125*

Pre-requisites or Co-requisites
There are no requisites for this unit.
Important note: Students enrolled in a subsequent unit who failed their pre-requisite unit, should drop the subsequent unit before the census date or within 10 working days of Fail grade notification. Students who do not drop the unit in this timeframe cannot later drop the unit without academic and financial liability. See details in the [Assessment Policy and Procedure (Higher Education Coursework)](#).

Offerings For Term 1 - 2020
- Online

Attendance Requirements
All on-campus students are expected to attend scheduled classes – in some units, these classes are identified as a mandatory (pass/fail) component and attendance is compulsory. International students, on a student visa, must maintain a full time study load and meet both attendance and academic progress requirements in each study period (satisfactory attendance for International students is defined as maintaining at least an 80% attendance record).

Website
[This unit has a website, within the Moodle system, which is available two weeks before the start of term. It is important that you visit your Moodle site throughout the term. Please visit Moodle for more information.](#)

Class and Assessment Overview

Recommended Student Time Commitment

Each 6-credit Undergraduate unit at CQUniversity requires an overall time commitment of an average of 12.5 hours of study per week, making a total of 150 hours for the unit.

Class Timetable

Regional Campuses

Bundaberg, Cairns, Emerald, Gladstone, Mackay, Rockhampton, Townsville

Metropolitan Campuses

Adelaide, Brisbane, Melbourne, Perth, Sydney

Assessment Overview

1. **Written Assessment**
Weighting: 20%
2. **Written Assessment**
Weighting: 30%
3. **Written Assessment**
Weighting: 50%

Assessment Grading

This is a graded unit: your overall grade will be calculated from the marks or grades for each assessment task, based on the relative weightings shown in the table above. You must obtain an overall mark for the unit of at least 50%, or an overall grade of 'pass' in order to pass the unit. If any 'pass/fail' tasks are shown in the table above they must also be completed successfully ('pass' grade). You must also meet any minimum mark requirements specified for a particular assessment task, as detailed in the 'assessment task' section (note that in some instances, the minimum mark for a task may be greater than 50%). Consult the University's Grades and Results Policy for more details of interim results and final grades.

CQUniversity Policies

All University policies are available on the CQUniversity Policy site.
You may wish to view these policies:

- Grades and Results Policy
- Assessment Policy and Procedure (Higher Education Coursework)
- Review of Grade Procedure
- Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure
- Monitoring Academic Progress (MAP) Policy and Procedure – Domestic Students
- Monitoring Academic Progress (MAP) Policy and Procedure – International Students
- Student Refund and Credit Balance Policy and Procedure
- Student Feedback – Compliments and Complaints Policy and Procedure
- Information and Communications Technology Acceptable Use Policy and Procedure

This list is not an exhaustive list of all University policies. The full list of University policies are available on the CQUniversity Policy site.

Previous Student Feedback

Feedback, Recommendations and Responses

Every unit is reviewed for enhancement each year. At the most recent review, the following staff and student feedback items were identified and recommendations were made.

Feedback from Student Evaluation

Feedback

I believe the workload of this unit was far too much. I enjoyed the Short paper and Essay assessment however I feel as though the Poetry Journal just made the workload seem impossible. I couldn't keep up with the weekly readings and study guides because I just didn't have time to do that on top of all the other work. I would recommend reconsidering the amount of assessment of this unit. Perhaps less poetry journal entries or no Poetry Journal at all. The poetry journal is an interesting task and I enjoy the assessment tasks.

Recommendation

Feedback is consistent with previous term that assessment/workload is excessive, however some students did enjoy the poetry journal element and it is a fundamental learning activity. The number of journals that are assessed might be reviewed - perhaps to 6 - with students given the choice to complete more. Or the word count of each journal might be reviewed.

Feedback from Student Evaluation

Feedback

The variety of poetry presented was comprehensive and there was sufficient advice provided regarding assessment tasks. A lot of different content to choose from to use in assessment tasks.

Recommendation

Most students enjoyed the variety of the content. Maintain flexibility in choice to enable students to engage with a variety of poems/poets.

Feedback from Student Evaluation/Self-Evaluation

Feedback

Lecturer feedback helped to modify aspects of my previous learning which I had allowed to lapse, putting me back on track. Maybe more feedback or communication with students about their forum comments (note this refers to poetry journals - but because these were ALL assessable entries, formatived feedback was provided at beginning and toward to catch any issues/errors).

Recommendation

Continue to provide timely formative feedback. May be an opportunity to provide more feedback on non-assessable journal entries if assessable number is reduced.

Unit Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

1. Analyse selected poems from the Romantic and contemporary eras using advanced poetics.
2. Identify and evaluate ideas that both affirm and contest orthodox canonic views of poetry, such as the transparency of language, the fixity of meaning, the unity of the self, and non-ideological access to universal truth, within the framework of modern poetry.
3. Communicate research outcomes and cogent arguments with advanced oral and written communication skills.

Alignment of Learning Outcomes, Assessment and Graduate Attributes

| — N/A Level | ○ Introductory Level | ○ Intermediate Level | ● Graduate Level | ○ Professional Level | ○ Advanced Level |

Alignment of Assessment Tasks to Learning Outcomes

Assessment Tasks	Learning Outcomes		
	1	2	3
1 - Written Assessment - 20%	●	●	●
2 - Written Assessment - 30%	●	●	●
3 - Written Assessment - 50%	●	●	●

Alignment of Graduate Attributes to Learning Outcomes

Graduate Attributes	Learning Outcomes		
	1	2	3
1 - Communication			●
2 - Problem Solving	●		
3 - Critical Thinking	●	●	
4 - Information Literacy			
5 - Team Work			
6 - Information Technology Competence	●		●
7 - Cross Cultural Competence		●	
8 - Ethical practice		●	
9 - Social Innovation			
10 - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultures			

Alignment of Assessment Tasks to Graduate Attributes

Assessment Tasks	Graduate Attributes									
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1 - Written Assessment - 20%	●		●	●		●		●		
2 - Written Assessment - 30%	●		●	●		●	●	●		
3 - Written Assessment - 50%	●	●	●	●		●	●	●		

Textbooks and Resources

Textbooks

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Prescribed

The Norton Anthology of Poetry
Edition: 6th edn (2018)
Authors: Ferguson, M., Salter, M. J., & Stallworthy, J.
WW Norton & Company
New York , New York , USA
ISBN: 9780393679021
Binding: Paperback

Additional Textbook Information
Copies are available for purchase at the CQUni Bookshop here: http://bookshop.cqu.edu.au (search on the Unit code)

View textbooks at the CQUniversity Bookshop

IT Resources

You will need access to the following IT resources:

- CQUniversity Student Email
- Internet
- Unit Website (Moodle)
- Zoom account (Free)
- Zoom app on your smart phone or access to Zoom on your laptop

Referencing Style

All submissions for this unit must use the referencing style: Harvard (author-date)
For further information, see the Assessment Tasks.

Teaching Contacts

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Schedule

Week 1 - 09 Mar 2020

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Introduction		**Start your Poetry Journal** a) Submit your poetry journal blog for Week 1 on the blog platform for this week. Each topic section of the e-Unit Moodle site includes a Blog platform for the respective weekly topics. b) Comment on two students' blog posts for Week 1.

Week 2 - 16 Mar 2020

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic

Reading Poetry: Meaning Beyond Sense

Note: A voluntary Zoom session may be scheduled before the due date for Assessment Item 1: Short Paper (depending on interest). Please check the Moodle unit site (see 'Assessment' block) for details. This session will be recorded and available for download soon thereafter. If you have questions about the assessment item, but cannot attend the Zoom session, please post your questions on the Q&A Forum.

John Stephens (Chapters 5 & 6) Library CRO, Mary Wroth

Poetry Journal
a) Submit your poetry journal blog for Week 2 on the blog platform for this week.
b) Comment on two students' blog posts for Week 2.
For Assessment 3 you are expected to submit a total of eight (8) weekly entries (journal + 2 comments), on a weekly basis, over the course of the Term, selected from Week 2 to Week 11.

Week 3 - 23 Mar 2020

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Romantic Poetry	Blake, Wordsworth, Dorothy Wordsworth	**Poetry Journal** a) Submit your poetry journal blog for Week 3 on the blog platform for this week. b) Comment on two students' blog posts for Week 3.

Week 4 - 30 Mar 2020

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Romantic Poetry	Shelley, Coleridge, Mary Wollstonecraft Shelley	**Poetry Journal** a) Submit your poetry journal blog for Week 4 on the blog platform for this week. b) Comment on two students' blog posts for Week 4.

Week 5 - 06 Apr 2020

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Romantic Poetry	Byron, Keats, Barrett Browning	**Poetry Journal** a) Submit your poetry journal blog for Week 5 on the blog platform for this week. b) Comment on two students' blog posts for Week 5.

Vacation Week - 13 Apr 2020

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic

Week 6 - 20 Apr 2020

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Romantic Poetry, Victorians, Early Modern Poetry	Tennyson, Emerson, Whitman, Arnold, Dickinson	**Poetry Journal** a) Submit your poetry journal blog for Week 6 on the blog platform for this week. b) Comment on two students' blog posts for Week 6. **Assessment Item 1: Short Paper** Due: Week 6 Monday (20 Apr 2020) 11:45 pm AEST

Week 7 - 27 Apr 2020

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic

Early Modern(ist) Poetry
Note: A voluntary Zoom session may be scheduled before the due date for Assessment Item 2: Essay (depending on interest). Please check the Moodle unit site (see 'Assessment' block) for details. This session will be recorded and available for download soon thereafter. If you have questions about the assessment item, but cannot attend the Zoom session, please post your questions on the Q&A Forum.

Yeats, Hopkins, Frost, Stevens, Carlos Williams, Lawrence, Amy Lowell

Poetry Journal
a) Submit your poetry journal blog for Week 7 on the blog platform for this week.
b) Comment on two students' blog posts for Week 7.

Week 8 - 04 May 2020

Module/Topic	**Chapter**	**Events and Submissions/Topic**
Modern(ist) Poetry	Pound, Eliot, Parker, Cummings, Moore, Edna St Vincent Millay	**Poetry Journal** a) Submit your poetry journal blog for Week 8 on the blog platform for this week. b) Comment on two students' blog posts for Week 8.

Week 9 - 11 May 2020

Module/Topic	**Chapter**	**Events and Submissions/Topic**
Modern(ist) Poetry	Empson, Auden, Roethke, Thomas, Elizabeth Bishop	**Poetry Journal** a) Submit your poetry journal blog for Week 9 on the blog platform for this week. b) Comment on two students' blog posts for Week 9. **Assessment Item 2: Essay** Due: Week 9 Monday (11 May 2020) 11:45 pm AEST

Week 10 - 18 May 2020

Module/Topic	**Chapter**	**Events and Submissions/Topic**
Contemporary Poetry Note: A voluntary Zoom session may be scheduled before the due date for Assessment Item 3: Poetry Journal. Please check the Moodle unit site (see 'Assessment' block) for details. This session will be recorded and available for download soon thereafter. If you have questions about the assessment item, but cannot attend the Zoom session, please post your questions on the Q&A Forum.	Meredith, Koch, Ginsberg, O'Hara, Elizabeth Jennings	**Poetry Journal** a) Submit your poetry journal blog for Week 10 on the blog platform for this week. b) Comment on two students' blog posts for Week 10.

Week 11 - 25 May 2020

Module/Topic	**Chapter**	**Events and Submissions/Topic**

Contemporary Poetry	Ashberry, Rich, Hughes, Plath, Lorde, Murray, Wright	**Poetry Journal** a) Submit your final poetry journal blog for Week 11 on the blog platform for this week. b) Comment on two students' blog posts for Week 11. Remember, for Assessment 3 (due next week) you are expected to submit a total of eight (8) weekly entries over the course of the Term, selected from Week 2 to Week 11. **NOTE:** For submission of the assessment item, you will combine your 8 weekly entries (journal + comments) into a single Word document and submit to Moodle using the unit's submission platform for this assessment item.

Week 12 - 01 Jun 2020

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Contemporary Poetry	Atwood, Heaney, Fenton	Finalise and submit your Poetry Journal. Remember to match your entries against the assessment criteria to ensure your work meets the requirements for the assessment item. **Assessment Item 3: Poetry Journal** Due: Week 12 Monday (1 June 2020) 11:45 pm AEST

Review/Exam Week - 08 Jun 2020

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic

Exam Week - 15 Jun 2020

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic

Assessment Tasks

1 Assessment Item 1: Short Paper

Assessment Type
Written Assessment

Task Description
Word Count: 750-1000 words (the reference list will not be included in the word count)
Topic: Choose <u>one</u> of the weekly discussion questions from the e-Unit website as the topic for your short paper (submit via Moodle). The analysis of the poem/s you choose must reflect an understanding of analytical techniques used in John Stephen's *Reading the signs*, chapters 5 & 6. This reading is available on the e-Unit Moodle site.
NOTE: Poems and poets used for this short paper may not be used in the essay (Assessment 2 - Essay). Please see unit Moodle site for specific details about this assessment item.

Assessment Due Date
Week 6 Monday (20 Apr 2020) 11:45 pm AEST

Return Date to Students
Week 8 Monday (4 May 2020)

Weighting
20%

Assessment Criteria
The short paper will be assessed using the following criteria:

1. The way in which the analysis of the poetry reflects an understanding of analytical techniques used in John

Stephen's *Reading the signs*, chapters 5 & 6;
2. The proper formatting of the prose and references according to the Harvard (author-date) referencing style;
3. Clarity of expression and presentation (including spelling and grammar).

Referencing Style

- [Harvard (author-date)](#)

Submission
Online

Submission Instructions
Submit your assessment item using the unit's moodle platform for this item.

Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Analyse selected poems from the Romantic and contemporary eras using advanced poetics.
- Identify and evaluate ideas that both affirm and contest orthodox canonic views of poetry, such as the transparency of language, the fixity of meaning, the unity of the self, and non-ideological access to universal truth, within the framework of modern poetry.
- Communicate research outcomes and cogent arguments with advanced oral and written communication skills.

Graduate Attributes

- Communication
- Critical Thinking
- Information Literacy
- Information Technology Competence
- Ethical practice

2 Assessment Item 2: Essay

Assessment Type
Written Assessment

Task Description
Word Count: 1500-2000 words (the reference list will not be included in the word count)
Choose **ONE** of the following topics (poems and poets used for the short paper - Assignment 1 - may not be used in this essay):

1. 'Poetry may well be the art of the unsayable. A good poem lies somewhere beyond mere words: it is the intangible, an exultation in things vaguely apprehended, something which emerges out of its own form, and which cannot exist without that form' (Grisoni 2008, p. 113). Discuss this statement using a fair selection of poetry (e.g., a minimum of 5 poems) studied during the term.
2. 'Contrary to contemporary dogma, poetry doesn't have to be challenging, but it does have to explore the nature and geography of the human condition' (http://www.poetrymagic.co.uk/what-is-poetry.html). Analyse this statement using a selection of modern and contemporary poetry.
3. 'A poem is something that can't otherwise be said addressed to someone who can't otherwise hear it. By this definition, poetry is deeply impractical and deeply necessary' (Teicher 2018). Explain this statement using a fair cross section of Romantic poets/poetry.
4. A good, or even great, poem is said to be 'compelling, as if someone has suddenly said something out loud in a crowded room that must be listened to, answered, or argued about for year to come' (Whyte 1994, p. 99). Examine this statement comparing and contrasting the works of two poets from different periods/styles.
5. ' A poem is something. It is that something only relative to its radical dependence on an idea of poetry, but it is not simply, or simply reducible to, that idea' (Bourbon 2007, p. 30). Referring to at least three modern poets, explore this statement in reference to a selection of their work.

Please refer to the unit Moodle site for specific detail and further information.

Assessment Due Date
Week 9 Monday (11 May 2020) 11:45 pm AEST
Submit using the unit moodle site.

Return Date to Students
Week 11 Monday (25 May 2020)

Weighting
30%

Assessment Criteria
The Essay will be assessed using the following criteria:

1. The relevance, insight and depth of analysis of both direct evidence from the poems and associated issues;
2. The extent to which the Essay demonstrates clear critical thinking skills through the clarity of arguments made and the effective use of secondary material to support both argument and analysis (no less than 5 credible, scholarly, secondary sources);
3. The extent to which the Essay demonstrates advanced poetry reading skills;
4. The proper acknowledgement of all in-text sources and reference list using the Harvard (author-date) referencing style; and,
5. The extent to which the essay is carefully edited for presentation (expression, spelling and grammar) and overall clarity.

Referencing Style

- Harvard (author-date)

Submission
Online

Submission Instructions
Submit your assessment item using the unit's moodle platform for this item.

Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Analyse selected poems from the Romantic and contemporary eras using advanced poetics.
- Identify and evaluate ideas that both affirm and contest orthodox canonic views of poetry, such as the transparency of language, the fixity of meaning, the unity of the self, and non-ideological access to universal truth, within the framework of modern poetry.
- Communicate research outcomes and cogent arguments with advanced oral and written communication skills.

Graduate Attributes

- Communication
- Critical Thinking
- Information Literacy
- Information Technology Competence
- Cross Cultural Competence
- Ethical practice

3 Assessment Item 3: Poetry Journal

Assessment Type
Written Assessment

Task Description
Word count: no more than 3500 words (the reference list/s will not be included in the word count).
Students will be expected to keep a Poetry Journal from Week 2 to Week 11 (inclusive) during the term. As the Journal is worth 50% of the overall mark, the standard expected will be high.
This will require reading the set poems (and others) each week and making weekly entries using the weekly Blog platforms on the e-Unit Moodle site that reflect your reading/interpretation of the poems and of any secondary sources.
In Week 12, you are expected to submit a total of eight (8) of your weekly entries from over the course of the Term, selected from Week 2 to Week 11. At least 6 Journal Entries must be submitted to meet the basic requirements for this item.
Each topic section of the e-Unit Moodle site includes a Blog platform for the respective weekly topics.
Each of the eight (8) weekly entries MUST:

1. address at least ONE of the discussion questions listed for each week on the unit website, and;
2. comment on two Journal blog posts, per week, posted by another student (either different students each week, or, the same two students over the course of the term).
3. be between 400-450 words including your response to another student's post (which only needs to be a line or two - around 50 - 70 words).

For submission of the assessment item, you will combine your 8 weekly entries in a single Word document and submit to Moodle using the unit's submission platform for this item.
Each weekly entry is worth an equal proportion of the marks.
Please refer to the 'Critical Reading: A Guide', 'Poetry Reflection Journal Guide', and 'A Framework for Reading and Responding to Poetry' documents (provided on the unit website) for suggestions regarding approaching poetry, which

will be helpful for making entries in the journal.
Please refer to the e-Unit Moodle site for specific detail and further information.

Assessment Due Date
Week 12 Monday (1 June 2020) 11:45 pm AEST

Return Date to Students
Exam Week Wednesday (17 June 2020)

Weighting
50%

Assessment Criteria
Poetry Journals will be assessed using the following criteria:

1. The extent to which each of the eight (8) weekly Journal Entries represents an organised and genuine attempt to develop an in depth understanding of the poems and associated issues on a <u>weekly</u> basis over the course of the term (avoid completing all the blog entries in one 'hit');
2. The extent to which the Journal Blog as a whole demonstrates clear poetry analysis skills, through the clarity and depth of an engagement with the poem(s), and through the effective use of secondary material to support this analysis;
3. The Journal comments on two blog posts, per week, posted by another student (either different students each week, or, the same two students over the course of the term)
4. The extent to which each blog entry properly acknowledges all sources using the Harvard (author-date) referencing style; and,
5. The extent to which the blog entries are carefully edited for presentation (expression, spelling and grammar) and overall clarity.

Referencing Style

- [Harvard (author-date)](#)

Submission
Online

Submission Instructions
Submit your assessment item using the unit's moodle platform for this item.

Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Analyse selected poems from the Romantic and contemporary eras using advanced poetics.
- Identify and evaluate ideas that both affirm and contest orthodox canonic views of poetry, such as the transparency of language, the fixity of meaning, the unity of the self, and non-ideological access to universal truth, within the framework of modern poetry.
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Graduate Attributes

- Communication
- Problem Solving
- Critical Thinking
- Information Literacy
- Information Technology Competence
- Cross Cultural Competence
- Ethical practice

Academic Integrity Statement

As a CQUniversity student you are expected to act honestly in all aspects of your academic work.

Any assessable work undertaken or submitted for review or assessment must be your own work. Assessable work is any type of work you do to meet the assessment requirements in the unit, including draft work submitted for review and feedback and final work to be assessed.

When you use the ideas, words or data of others in your assessment, you must thoroughly and clearly acknowledge the source of this information by using the correct referencing style for your unit. Using others' work without proper acknowledgement may be considered a form of intellectual dishonesty.

Participating honestly, respectfully, responsibly, and fairly in your university study ensures the CQUniversity qualification you earn will be valued as a true indication of your individual academic achievement and will continue to receive the respect and recognition it deserves.

As a student, you are responsible for reading and following CQUniversity's policies, including the **Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure**. This policy sets out CQUniversity's expectations of you to act with integrity, examples of academic integrity breaches to avoid, the processes used to address alleged breaches of academic integrity, and potential penalties.

What is a breach of academic integrity?
A breach of academic integrity includes but is not limited to plagiarism, self-plagiarism, collusion, cheating, contract cheating, and academic misconduct. The Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure defines what these terms mean and gives examples.

Why is academic integrity important?
A breach of academic integrity may result in one or more penalties, including suspension or even expulsion from the University. It can also have negative implications for student visas and future enrolment at CQUniversity or elsewhere. Students who engage in contract cheating also risk being blackmailed by contract cheating services.

Where can I get assistance?
For academic advice and guidance, the Academic Learning Centre (ALC) can support you in becoming confident in completing assessments with integrity and of high standard.

What can you do to act with integrity?

Be Honest
If your assessment task is done by someone else, it would be dishonest of you to claim it as your own

Seek Help
If you are not sure about how to cite or reference in essays, reports etc, then seek help from your lecturer, the library or the Academic Learning Centre (ALC)

Produce Original Work
Originality comes from your ability to read widely, think critically, and apply your gained knowledge to address a question or problem