

Language & Literature

Coursework

Students will produce two assignments:

- Assignment 1 – two pieces of original writing: one piece of fiction writing and one piece of creative non-fiction writing (AO5 assessed).
- Assignment 2 – one analytical commentary reflecting on their studied texts and the pieces of writing they have produced (AO1, AO2, AO3, AO4 assessed).
- The advisory total word count is 2500–3250: 1500–2000 words for the original writing pieces and 1000–1250 for the commentary.
- Total of 60 marks available – 36 marks for the original writing and 24 marks for the commentaries.

There are no prescribed texts here; teachers and students are offered a free choice of two texts.

This term students will start working on Assignment 1 – creative fiction writing- to be completed in May.

Assignment 1: Original writing

Students select a topic that will help to frame their investigation and provide adequate scope from which to find examples of fiction and non-fiction texts. The texts studied can act as a direct stimulus for students' own writing or as style models.

Students will be required to reflect on the influence of their studied texts in their accompanying commentaries.

Students' chosen texts should be supplemented by wider reading of literary and non-literary sources, which will be explored as background research for the chosen area of investigation.

Texts studied for examination purposes should not be chosen as non-examination assessment texts.