EngL 376 Canadian Literature since 1960
3 credits, 16 weeks, 3 hours lecture
A critical and historical study of representative Canadian writing in English since 1960. Through representative Canadian Literature since 1960 by writers from the Atlantic to the Pacific regions depicting differences in gender, ethnicity, race and sexual orientation, this course elucidates shifts in literary patterns and cultural realities during this phase. Questions will be addressed regarding the impact of social and technological changes on Canadian literature.
Prerequisite: 6 credits of Junior English or equivalent

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Office Hours
TBD

Hours of Instruction
Tuesday 1:00 – 2:20 pm
Thursday 1:00 – 2:20 pm

Required Resources
Dead White Men Rhodes, Shane, ISBN 978-1552453452

Additional materials will be supplied via Moodle

Course Outcomes
Upon successful completion of this course, the student shall be able to:
• Participate in and evaluate the critical discourses surrounding Canadian Literature
• Explain major historical, cultural, and aesthetic trends in Canadian Literature post-1960

Evaluation
Response Essays 20%
Critical Review 10%
Research Essay 30%
Participation 10%
Final Exam 30%
Total 100%

A grade of C- is required for progression or transfer.
Response Essays

Students are required to complete a series of 4 short essays of 2-3 pages each in which they explore that week’s reading in greater detail. Response papers are to be written about the readings in advance of classroom discussion. These essays should advance an argument about the text. These four essays are to be written at your discretion throughout the semester, however, only one paper can be submitted at a time. These will conform to the Standards for Written Assignments and MLA Style. Due at 11:59 pm (23:59) each Sunday.

Critical Review

Option A:

Each student will be responsible for a video or digital presentation wherein you will address one of the texts from the list provided on moodle. The texts represent a mixture of critical and creative work, and some texts are bundled together due to length or complexity. The student will be expected to summarize the major points of the texts—argument, plot, etc—and subsequently offer a critical evaluation of the text. Please refer to the provided examples of critical reviews as a further guideline. Videos will be between 10 and 15 minutes in length and should be submitted as a playable movie file (MP4, AVI, MPEG or MOV) via a disk, jumpdrive, email or a link to YouTube. If you submit an uncompiled video file it will be considered late 1 day and you will be given a limited window to re-submit. Students are also expected to submit a hardcopy of their script with the video.

Option B:

Students are to prepare for and lead a class discussion. This means that students are expected to read the material, do some background research, prepare notes and questions to facilitate discussion (these will be submitted to Dr. Cox 1 day prior to leading the discussion), and then lead the assigned class period. Students will be evaluated based on their command of the material, their delivery, and the quality of discussion generated within reason. It is recommended that students who choose this option reach out to the instructor in order that they may get a sense of critical and pedagogical goals of a given topic. If a student chooses this option they must discuss this decision with the instructor two (2) weeks before the session they want to lead OR before the due date of the Critical Review, whichever comes first.

Participation

You will be expected to participate in the life of the course and the critical discourse that develops around it. Being as this course is being delivered via distance learning, participation will take a variety of forms. These forms will include engagement with online lectures—either while they are delivered live or through comments and questions after the fact in the forum thread for each week, engaging with study questions posted for each week in the forums, and any other forms of engagement that may present themselves over the course of the term. The key to successful participation is thoughtful and meaningful engagement with the material from the lectures and the reading. Questions are as good as answers, and engaging other students is as good as or better than focusing on the instructor.

Research Project

For this assignment, you will be expected to write a detailed, well researched, thesis driven essay on a text or texts from the course. This essay should demonstrate your mastery of the text(s), your ability to effectively integrate your research into your writing, a familiarity with the current critical discourses
surrounding your topic, and your ability to write at the university level. This assignment will conform to MLA guidelines for research papers. Length: 8-10 pgs.

Students may also pursue a creative project—including a four page author’s note—with instructor’s approval.

Final Exam

The exam will either be a two hour exam consisting of short answers and essay questions written during the exam period OR a take home exam consisting of a sight passage and an essay question. The specific format depends on the ability to run traditional exams due to COVID-19 and other mitigating factors. If traditional exams are not an option, the take home exam will be used.

Late Policy

Late work will only be accepted until 3pm on the second day following the due date and it will be penalized at a rate of 10%/Day. If work is not submitted by 3pm on the second day following the due date, it will not be accepted and the student will receive a 0(zero) on the assignment. It should also be noted that late material will receive no feedback from the instructor. It is your responsibility to meet the due dates for the assigned material.

Standards for Written Assignments

Learning how to follow house style sheets is one of the most important skills a writer can develop. To aid you in your quest to learn these skills I have provided a document entitled “Standards for Written Assignments” on Moodle. If your paper does not conform to these standards, expect to lose marks.

All work must be TYPED, double spaced, and have proper MLA documentation (unless instructed otherwise). Do NOT submit work to me by e-mail. All work must be submitted through the appropriate dropbox on moodle by the due date. Please also understand that digital submission of the work will be treated as acknowledgement that the work is free from plagiarism and other forms of academic misconduct and that the work being submitted is in full compliance with Keyano College’s Academic Policy and Procedure.

Sensitivity, Respect, and Subject Matter

Some of the material we will be covering this semester is of a charged nature—whether in terms of form, content or politics. As critics, we cannot shy away from this material; however, we must understand that this material may generate a wide variety of reactions and opinions among our colleagues in the classroom. Thus, it is imperative that we remain aware of, and sympathetic to the reactions and opinions of our classmates. Respect and sensitivity will produce a stronger learning environment and generate better, more nuanced discussions.

Content warnings, where appropriate, will be provided on moodle in advance of class discussions.

Pronoun Usage

Every student deserves the basic respect of being referred to by the appropriate pronouns. To that end, if there are particular pronouns that you wish to use please feel free to let me know either in person or via email. If I misgender you, please feel free to correct me and I will work to avoid doing so in the future. The pronouns that I use are he/his.

Territorial Acknowledgement
Keyano College is located on Treaty 8 lands in Fort McMurray, AB. This area has been and continues to be home to the Cree, Dene, and Metis peoples. As a scholarly community we recognize that we are treaty people and work to live up to the responsibilities that come with that.

Grading System

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<td>Excellent</td>
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<td>Good</td>
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<td>Work is generally of high quality, well developed, well written, has clarity, and uses proper format.</td>
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<td>Satisfactory Progression</td>
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<td>Poor</td>
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Proposed Schedule of Topics

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<td>Week 1</td>
<td>Introduction</td>
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<td>No Class August 31, (Orientation Day)</td>
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<td>Week 2</td>
<td>The Very Idea of Canada: Theoretical and Historical Contexts</td>
<td>Selections from Palmer, Anderson, The Massey Report, Trotsky</td>
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<td>No Class Sept. 7 (Labour Day)</td>
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<td>Week 3</td>
<td>the sensual quality of the heat with the abstraction of geometry</td>
<td>Robertson, selections</td>
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<td>Week 4</td>
<td>The deep irony of play, the sounds of mouths sounding</td>
<td>Holbrook, selections</td>
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<td>Week 5</td>
<td>A Poetics of Non-Places</td>
<td>Hussein</td>
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<td>Week 6</td>
<td>The Names on the Maps are not visible on the land</td>
<td>Rhodes</td>
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<td>Week 7</td>
<td>Cowboys, anthropologists and the silent unspoken things</td>
<td>Abel</td>
<td>No Class October 12, (Thanksgiving)</td>
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<td>Week 8</td>
<td>Plato would throw rez dogs out of the republic</td>
<td>Belcourt</td>
<td>Critical Review Due, October 27</td>
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<td>Week 9</td>
<td>The pleasure of refusal</td>
<td>Howard</td>
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<td>A false false face</td>
<td>Whitehead/Simpson</td>
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<td>Note: We may also be discussing Gwen Benaway, Joseph Boyden, and self-Indigenization in CanLit</td>
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<td>Week 11</td>
<td>A documented island</td>
<td>Nicholson</td>
<td>Research Paper Due, Nov 10</td>
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<td>Last Day to Withdraw: Nov 9</td>
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<td>The need for an anti-colonial science, decolonized myths</td>
<td>Lubrin</td>
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<td>Week 13</td>
<td>The Dumpster Fire, or, What do we do with CanLit in 2020?</td>
<td>Refuse, selections</td>
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<td>Week 14</td>
<td>Review</td>
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### Performance Requirements

#### Student Responsibilities

It is your responsibility as a student to contact the Office of the Registrar to complete the forms for Withdrawal or Change of Registration, and any other forms. Please refer to the list of important dates as noted in the Academic Schedule in the Keyano College credit calendar. The Keyano College credit calendar also has information about Student Rights and Code of Conduct. It is the responsibility of each student to be aware of the guidelines outlined in the Student Rights and Code of Conduct Policies.

#### Student Attendance

Class attendance is useful for two reasons. First, class attendance maximizes a student’s learning experience. Second, attending class is a good way to keep informed of matters relating to the administration of the course (e.g., the timing of assignments and exams). Ultimately, you are responsible for your own learning and performance in this course.
It is the responsibility of each student to be prepared for all classes. Students who miss classes are responsible for the material covered in those classes and for ensuring that they are prepared for the next class, including the completion of any assignments and notes that may be due.

**Academic Misconduct**
Students are considered to be responsible adults and should adhere to principles of intellectual integrity. Intellectual dishonesty may take many forms, such as:

- Plagiarism or the submission of another person's work as one's own;
- The use of unauthorized aids in assignments or examinations (cheating);
- Collusion or the unauthorized collaboration with others in preparing work;
- The deliberate misrepresentation of qualifications;
- The willful distortion of results or data;
- Substitution in an examination by another person;
- Handing in the same unchanged work as submitted for another assignment; and
- Breach of confidentiality.

The consequences for academic misconduct range from a verbal reprimand to expulsion from the College. More specific descriptions and details are found in the Student Rights and Code of Conduct section of the Keyano College credit calendar. It is the responsibility of each student to be aware of the guidelines outlined in the Student Rights and Code of Conduct Policies.

In order to ensure your understanding of the concept of plagiarism, you must successfully complete the online tutorial found on ilearn.keyano.ca. Then print the certificate, sign it, and show it to each of your instructors. Your course work may not be graded until you show this signed certificate.

**Specialized Supports**

The Student Services department is committed to Keyano students and their academic success. There are a variety of student supports available at Keyano College. Due to the continuing situation with the Covid-19 pandemic, the offered support services will be implemented differently this semester by being provided mostly virtually. In-person service can be requested as needed. All Alberta Health Services guidelines will be followed for in-person appointments—wear a mask, maintain two meters of physical distance, use hand sanitizer, and stay home if you are unwell.

All student services are available during Keyano business hours: Monday to Friday, 8h30-16h30. The Library has evening and weekend hours. Please check keyano.ca/library for current hours.

**Accessibility Services:** provides accommodations for students with disabilities. Students with documented disabilities, or who suspect a disability, can meet with a Learning Strategist to discuss their current learning barriers and possible accommodations. Students who have accessed accommodations in the past are encouraged to contact us to request them for the semester. Please note that requesting accommodations is a process and requires time to arrange. Contact us as soon as you know you may require accommodations. For accessibility services supports and to book a virtual appointment, please contact accessibility.services@keyano.ca.

Accessibility Services also provides individual and group learning strategy instruction for all students, as well as technology training and supports to enhance learning. Meet with a Learning Strategist to learn studying and test-taking strategies for online classes. Schedule an appointment with the Assistive Technology Specialist to explore technology tools for learning. Book an appointment today by emailing accessibility.services@keyano.ca.
**Academic Success Coaching:** offers you support and access to resources for your academic success to help you to find the Keys to your Success. The Academic Success Coach will work with you to develop an academic success plan, develop your study and time management skills, and connect you with the right resources here at Keyano. Academic.success@keyano.ca is the best way to access resources during virtual service delivery.

**Wellness Services:** offers a caring, inclusive, and respectful environment where students can access free group and individual support to meet academic and life challenges. Mental Health Coordinators offer a safe and confidential environment to seek help with personal concerns. All individual appointments will continue virtually.

Wellness Services welcomes students to participate in any of the virtual group sessions offered throughout the academic year addressing topics including mindfulness and test anxiety.

Individual virtual appointments can be made by emailing wellness.services@keyano.ca.

**Library Services:** provides students with research and information supports as they engage in their studies. Library staff are available to support you both virtually and in person during the fall semester. For library service supports and inquiries, please email askthelibrary@keyano.ca.

Individual support with the Information Librarian will be provided virtually. Appointments can be requested by email or by placing a Book a Librarian request using the online form found here.

Research and Subject Guides are helpful resources when conducting research or addressing your information needs. To view a subject or course specific guide, use the following Subject Guides link.

To access additional research resources, including Citation Guides (APA, MLA, Chicago, or IEEE), go to the Research Help Library page.

**Skill Centre:** provides academic support services to students registered in credit programs at Keyano College in the form of tutoring, writing support groups, facilitated study groups, workshops and study space. Tutoring services are free to Keyano students. Tutoring is available for Math, Writing, English, and Science subject areas.

While most courses are being offered online, the Skill Center will be offering mostly virtual tutoring services and in-person sessions as requested. Please email Skill.centre@keyano.ca to get in contact with our tutoring staff.

For the most up to date information on how to book a tutoring session, please view the Keyano Skill Centre homepage.

**E-Learning**

Technology and internet will impact your online learning experience. It's important that you are able to watch an online video and other course materials, take online quizzes, and participate in a live class with your instructor and other students.
Keyano College operates in a Windows based environment and having the correct tools for online learning is important. Here’s a list of recommended system requirements for Fall 2020.

**Internet Speed**

Minimum Internet speeds of 5 Mbps. Recommended Internet speeds of 25 Mbps (especially if you are sharing your internet at home). Check your internet speed with Fast.com.

**System requirements:**

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| A Windows 10 **computer/laptop**  
- Minimum 4GB of RAM.  
- 10GB+ available hard drive storage.  
- Enough available hard drive space to install the Microsoft Office suite (approximately 3GB). **Microsoft Office** software is free to all Keyano students and employees.  
- Microphone, webcam and speakers. A headset with a microphone is recommended.  
- System updates must be regularly installed.  
- Anti-Virus / Anti-Malware software | A Macintosh (V10.14 and above) **computer/laptop**  
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Chromebooks are **not** recommended as they are not compatible with testing lockdown browsers.

A Microsoft Surface or iPad or iPad Pro may be possible alternatives in some program areas.
Specific department requirements:

Business and OA programs require Windows 10.

Other programs may utilize Windows based tools as well.

Computer Software
Students will be able to get access to Microsoft Office 365 for Free using Keyano Credentials by clicking here.

Recording of lectures and Intellectual Property
Students may only record a lecture if explicit permission is provided by the instructor or by Accessibility Services. Even if students have permission to record a lecture or lecture materials, students may not publish any of the lectures or lecture materials, this includes any recordings, slides, instructor notes, etc. on any platform. Thus no student is allowed to publish or sell instructor notes without formal written permission. It is important to recognize that the Canadian Copyright Act contains provisions for intellectual property.

ITS Helpdesk
If you are having issues with your student account, you can contact the ITS Helpdesk by emailing its.helpdesk@keyano.ca or calling 780-791-4965.

Please watch your Keyano email for workshop announcements from our Student Services team.