



Name of Institute: Symbiosis School Of Liberal Arts

Course Name: Writing as Resistance, Writing as Recovery

(UG/PG): UG, Elective

Number Of Credits: 4 (60 Hrs)

Level:

Course Description:

This course proposes to train students to write systematically and coherently, and to express themselves with clarity and precision on diverse topics. They will be taught to do this in a variety of modes/forms, in a way that will enable them to learn meaningfully from a wide range of texts, while simultaneously developing independence of thought, judgement, and feeling. A threefold approach will be employed to this end:

A) Reading: Critical, analytical, and evaluative reading of texts (written, oral, visual) by a variety of thinkers/scholars/journalists, from diverse contexts and modes (cultural, philosophical, ideological, academic, literary, mass media), on themes and issues central to the contemporary world, and to humanity.

B) Writing about issues/themes in different modes of discourse (response, comparison, persuasion, argumentation, dialogue/debate, literary critical commentary/analysis with a creative component at certain points).

C) The students will do the above (A and B) within a theoretical-conceptual framework derived from reading excerpts from thinkers on rhetoric, language, ideology, poetics, aesthetics, cultural theory, on mass media, etc.

This framework will be cross-cultural and interdisciplinary.