

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE– ENGLISH

DSC-6 : 18th Century Literature

Credit distribution, Eligibility and Prerequisites of the Course

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course (if any)
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
18 th Century Literature	4	3	1	0	Passed Class XII with English from List A in CUET	NIL

Learning Objectives

The Learning Objectives of this course are as follows:

- To offer a continuing sense of the evolution of literary studies in English, so that the quiet revolutions of the eighteenth century in England resonate with significance in contemporary times.
- To study the period under survey through a combination of genres to focus on movements of empire, capital and emancipation.

Learning outcomes

The Learning Outcomes of this course are as follows:

- By studying this course, students will be able to understand the way in which the 'Age of Reason' shapes contemporary life.
- Students will be alerted to understanding the ways in which major lines of thought and action may have understated beginnings.

SYLLABUS OF DSC-6

UNIT – I (15 Hours)

1. Alexander Pope: *Rape of the Lock*

UNIT – II (15 Hours)

2. Jonathan Swift: *Gulliver's Travels*

UNIT – III (15 Hours)

3. Oliver Goldsmith: *The Vicar of Wakefield*

Practical component (if any) - NIL

Essential/recommended readings- as listed in the units

Suggestive readings:

1. Butler, Marilyn. *Romantics, Rebels and Reactionaries: English Literature and Its Background, 1760-1830*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1981.

2. Habermas, Jurgen. *The Structural Transformation of the Public Sphere: An Inquiry into the Category of Bourgeois Society*. 1962. Cambridge, Mass: MIT, 1989.

3. Nussbaum, Martha. *The Cosmopolitan Tradition: A Noble but Flawed Ideal*. Cambridge, Mass: Harvard University Press, 2019.

4. Hobsbawm, Eric. *The Age of Revolution: Europe 1789-1848*. London: Wiedenfeld and Nicholson, 1962.

5. 'Pope's Intellectual Character: Pope and Dryden Compared', from 'The Life of Pope', *The Norton Anthology of English Literature, vol. 1*, ed. Stephen Greenblatt, 8th edn. New York: Norton, 2006. pp 2693–2694, 2774–2777

6. Defoe, Daniel. 'The Complete English Tradesman' (Letter XXII), 'The Great Law of Subordination Considered' (Letter IV), & 'The Complete English Gentleman', *Literature and Social Order in Eighteenth-Century England*. ed. Stephen Copley, London: Croom Helm, 1984.

Note: Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi, from time to time.