DSC 2: European Classical Literature

Credit: 4 (3 Theory+1 Tutorial/Internal Assessment)

Course objective:

• To offer students a basic understanding of the mode of thought and understanding in classical Europe and contextualize the western classical texts within literary studies in a scholarly manner.

Course outcome:

• By the end of this course, students will gain an understanding of the classical, that is valuable in itself and as a frame of reference for subsequent periods of literary studies.

Course Content:

UNIT I:

1. Homer: The Odyssey

UNIT II:

2. Aristotle: Poetics

3. Sophocles: *Antigone*

UNIT III:

4. Aristophanes: Lysistrata

SUGGESTED READINGS:

- 1. Plato, 'Book X', *The Republic*. tr. Desmond Lee, London: Penguin, 2007.
- 2. Horace, 'Ars Poetica', *Horace: Satires, Epistles and Ars Poetica*. tr. H. Rushton Fairclough, Cambridge Mass.: Harvard University Press, 2005.