I. COURSE OBJECTIVES:

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Gain a broader understanding and appreciation of intellectual/cultural activity (music, science, literature, etc.)
2. Develop skill in expressing oneself orally or in writing
3. Learn to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view
4. Identify and explain the theme of the novels studied.
5. Analyze the characters in the works studied and identify the major issues and conflicts they faced.
6. Summarize the plots of the novels studied.
7. Examine the life of the authors studied and describe how the social, economic and political forces of that time in history influenced the novelist’s works.
8. Analyze and describe the form of each novel studied.
9. Develop an appreciation for the value and beauty of novels studied.