Nebraska Wesleyan University

ENG 2400 Moby-Dick and Democracy

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Course Description

This course will proceed from the premise that Herman Melville's 1851 novel, Moby Dick, encapsulates the story of America and that the book's whaling ship, the Pequod, serves as a floating embodiment of American democracy. The course will situate Melville's novel within the context of mid-nineteenth century American political history and explore what the book suggests are the achievements and limitations of American democracy.
Prerequisite(s): First Year Writing course.

Course Hours

2 hours

Departments

1. English