IDH2930: Uncommon Read: Never Let Me Go (Honors Course)- Spring 2026

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Class Meetings

Tuesdays- 11:45 am- 12:35 pm (5th period) | Location: Honors Village Building 1 Meeting Room 114

Text

Never Let Me Go by Kazuo Ishiguro ISBN-13: 9781400078776

Course Objectives/Competencies

As part of the learning entailed in this course, you will:

- Engage with Nobel Prize in Literature Winner Kazuo Ishiguro's novel Never Let Me Go
- Develop skills in discussing and analyzing literary works
- Reflect and evaluate novel themes and present-day issues
- Collaborate in a learning environment where you can participate in varied activities to expand perspectives and understandings
- Create valuable connections in Honors and the campus Community

Course Breakdown

Participation (25%)

Weekly Discussion Posts x8 (30%)

Bioethics Presentation and Discussion (20%)

Movie Reflection (25%)

Participation Rubric

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	Full points awarded	Partial Credit	No Credit
Preparation	Student comes to	Student read some	The student read
	class having	but not all of the	none of the material
	completed the	material and has no	and does not
	readings and	planned points.	participate in class at
	discussion posts, with		all.
	points ready to		
	discuss in a group		
	setting.		
Quality of	Student posits	Student makes vague,	The student does not
contribution	thoughtful and	unthoughtful	contribute anything to
	relevant points, in	statements or	the discussion.
	both their initial	remarks.	
	contributions and	Contributions are not	
	responses to others.	relevant to the	
	Student comment	discussion.	
	furthers the		
	conversation.		
Attendance	Student arrives on	Student arrives late or	Student is absent.
	time and leaves when	leaves too early.	
	class is done.		
Respect	The student is able to	The student makes	Student creates a
	respectfully agree	comments that seem	hostile class
	with or challenge the	rude or disregard the	environment that
	points students make,	feelings of others in	inhibits the ability for
	enhancing in class	the class.	other students to
	discourse.		share their
			perspectives.

Grading Policies

Grading Scale and Information - Based on points earned 93-100 (A); 90-92 (A-); 87-89 (B+); 83-86 (B); 80-82 (B-); 77-79(C+); 73-76 (C); 70-72 (C-); 67-69 (D+); 63-66 (D); 60-62 (D-); 59-0 (E)

A minimum grade of B is required to earn Academic points towards your Honors Completion Requirements. (Exception: Honors Quest I and II sections require a C). Once you have earned your final grade in this course, please upload the course information and final grade from your Unofficial Transcript into your Honors Canvas cohort: Honors Completion module to earn Honors Milestone / Completion credit.

Course Schedule:

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Week	Date	Topic	
1	1/16	Overview/syllabus	
2	1/23	Chapters 1-3 (p.8-29)	
3	1/30	Chapters 4-6 (p.30-55)	
4	2/6	Chapters 7-10 (p.56-85)	
5	2/13	Chapters 11-13 (p.86-105)	
6	2/20	Chapters 14-16 (p.106-132)	
7	2/27	Chapters 17-20 (p.133-164)	
8	3/6	Chapters 20-23 (p.165-192)	
9	3/13	Discussing final project	
10	3/20	Movie in class	
11	3/27	Finish movie	
12	4/3	Movie reflection due	
13	4/10	Final presentations Day 1	
14	4/17	Final presentations Day 2	
15	4/24	Final presentations Day 3	

Attendance Policies

Students are allowed one unexcused absence. After that, 5 points will be deducted from the final grade for each subsequent absence.

Requirements for class attendance and make-up exams, assignments, and other work in the course are consistent with university policies. See UF Academic Regulations and Policies for more information regarding the University Attendance Policies.

https://syllabus.ufl.edu/syllabus-policy/uf-syllabus-policy-links/