

English Studies 12

We respectfully acknowledge that we live, learn, and teach on the traditional territory of the people of Kwanlin Dün First Nation and the Ta'an Kwäch'än Council.

COURSE BASICS

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Google Classroom

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course finds you continuing along the road you started long ago: developing reading, writing, speaking, and critical thinking skills. The organization of this class is primarily into thematic units: examining each theme through various written, visual, and auditory works. You will often have options to choose from to demonstrate your learning, and a choice of what to read or study. These methods will hopefully increase the relevance of course material for everyone and give you an opportunity to use your strengths to do your best work.

REQUIRED MATERIALS

Binder

Lined Paper

Dividers

Pens / pencils

Highlighters

Book to read

Current texts

UNITS OF STUDY

**Units are subject to change*

Who We Are

Rhetorical Analysis

Research Essays

Grade 12 Literacy

Assessment

Born a Crime Memoir

Satire & Humour

Debates / Presentations

MARK BREAKDOWN

Standards	%	Overall Mark
Appropriate speaking and listening skills	20 %	20%
Think critically and respond to text in personal, creative or critical ways	15%	40%
Understand and evaluate how literary elements and techniques shape meaning and impact	10%	
Select and apply appropriate strategies in a variety of contexts to comprehend written, oral, visual, and multimodal texts to guide inquiry, and to extend thinking	15%	
Transform ideas and information to create original texts	20%	40%
Understand intellectual property rights and use in-text citations and quotations	10%	
Correct use of spelling, grammar, diction and punctuation	10%	

**Final Exam is incorporated into the above marks*

Course Policies

ACADEMIC POLICY

Due dates will be respected. If you realize that you will be unable to get an assignment in on time (for a valid reason), make sure to see me BEFORE the due date. Then we can work out an extension.

Resubmissions will be accepted if the original assignment and assessment rubric are attached to the revised piece.

You are often required to use outside sources in your writing. However, it is vital that you demonstrate academic integrity and give credit to your sources. Taking another's words or ideas and using them as though they are your own is considered plagiarism. ***Plagiarism will not be tolerated.***

Plagiarism also includes copying classmates' work, downloading essays from the Internet, and having tutors make major changes to your writing. Do your own work, so you can learn from it!

AI POLICY

Don't use AI to cheat, plagiarize, or complete assignments on your behalf!

It's essential to complete your own work.

Ask your teachers when you can and cannot use generative AI tools, and which tools they approve of.

Use of AI-generated content will be treated like plagiarism (see Academic Policy).

COMMUNICATION POLICY

Students are expected to check our Google Classroom to keep up to date on assignments and classroom activities. I will post the weekly plan every Sunday night.

Assignment expectations, due dates, assessment rubrics and exemplars will be fully explained in class, but please note that this information will also be posted online (whenever possible) for you to review.

I am very quick to respond to emails Monday-Friday, so feel free to reach out if you have any questions or need some assistance.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

Students are expected to attend classes if they are healthy. Students are expected to arrive on time and stay until the end of the class.

Making up missed work due to an absence is the student's responsibility.

A parent/guardian phone call or note to the office can excuse an absence or allow a student to leave class early for an appointment (see school attendance policy).

CELL PHONE POLICY

Students may bring their cell phones to class; however, phones should not be used during instructional time.

***New this year:** When students leave class to use the washroom, they must leave their cell phone with Ms. Miller for the remainder of the period.