

High School Syllabus

Department: English

Course #: 168

Course Title: Contemporary and World Literature – Honors

DESCRIPTION OF COURSE: Contemporary and World Literature Level A Traditional Academic- 12th Grade

Honors Contemporary and World Literature includes in-depth study of poetry, short story, nonfiction, drama, and the novel since the turn of the century. This class will emphasize competencies linked to the Pennsylvania Core Standards, at an advanced level, such as class discussions, grammar and writing skills, analysis activities, and vocabulary development. Major literary selections will include *Hamlet*, *Brave New World*, *Anthem*, *Night*, and others. Specific reading strategies will be used to encourage rigorous close-reading and analysis of language and themes. Students will respond to exploratory writing prompts pertaining to our reading, as well as independent topics. Annotation and subsequent discussions based on reading will form a key component of this dynamic course. A full literary research project will be included as one of the major assessments in the course.

REQUIRED TOPICS OF STUDY	SUGGESTED INSTRUCTIONAL TIME	STANDARDS/ ELIGIBLE CONTENT
Unit: Class Conflict	24-25 days	CC.1.3.11-12A. CC.1.3.11-12C. RL.11-12.7. RL.1.3.11-12.A CC.1.3.11-12.I
Unit: Gender and The Individual	26-27 days	CC.1.3.11-12A. CC.1.3.11-12C. CC.1.3.11-12. CC.1.2.11-12.E. CC.1.2.11-12.F: CC.1.3.11-12.I
Unit: War	25-26 days	CC.1.3.11-12A. CC.1.3.11-12C. CC.1.2.11-12.F: . CC.1.3.11-12.I
Unit: Dystopia/Post-Apocalyptic	36-37 days	CC.1.3.11-12A CC.1.3.11-12.H CC.1.3.11-12C CC.1.2.11- 12.F: CC.1.3.11-12.I CC.1.3.11-12.K CC.1.2.11-12.G
Unit: Culture and Identity Around the World	21-22 days	RL.11-12.7 CC.1.2.11-12.F CC.1.2.11-12.C

Vocabulary Level G	On- Going	CC.1.2.11–12.J CC.1.2.11–12.K
Writing (See Writing Action Plan)	On-Going	CC.1.4.11–12.B CC.1.4.11–12.C CC.1.4.11–12.D CC.1.4.11–12.L CC.1.4.11–12.J

RESOURCES:

Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet
Long Walk to Water
Hunger Games
Divergent
The Maze Runner
Enders Game
Boy in the Striped Pajamas

50 Essays- Samuel Cohen
Glencoe British Literature, 2007.

PDE SAS Teacher Resources and Materials

Grading

- Unit Tests
- Reading Quizzes
- Journals
- Essays

- 5. Research Writing
 - 6. Homework
 - 7. Oral Presentations
 - 8. Class work and Participation
- Grades are based on total points ranging from 10 point homework assignments to a 200 point research paper

Project Information

- Narrative Essay
- Expository Essay
- Lit Analysis Research Paper

Homework Procedures

Be sure to understand assignments before leaving class

Do your best; be sure to complete all assignments to the best of your ability.

All homework assignments are to be completed.

NO LATE WORK will be accepted. You will have ample time to complete all assignments.

Students are responsible for all work missed due to excused absences.

Unexcused lates, class cuts, or unexcused absences result in a zero for

Please acknowledge that you understand you have access to the **Parent Portal** and are aware that I will communicate with you via this interface throughout the semester. Students and parents are responsible for accessing this and being cognizant of progress and concerns in class.

Parent's Printed Name

Parent Signature

Class Rules/Policies

We will respect the rights and responsibilities of others.

We will be punctual and accountable for our assigned schedules.

We will respect our property and the property of others.

We will follow the specific rules of classroom and designated school areas.

We will follow the directions as given by the person in charge.

DO NOT line up at the door at any time. It will result in a detention.

See make-up test folder and sign up to make up any tests/quizzes within two days of your return, otherwise your score is a zero

If you are absent the day a major assignment is due, I must receive the assignment by 3:00pm on that day. It can be emailed to me, brought in by a friend, sibling, parent, etc...

If you are absent, you must ask your peers what you misses, look in the absentee folder for assignments and/or look on MOODLE or class Googlesite for missed assignments and class materials (in addition to textbooks)

Please refer to your student planner for all school rules regarding dress code and food and beverages.

Class Attendance Policy (as per school policy)

Lates (per semester)

1st late = warning

2nd late = warning

3rd late = detention

4th = two detentions

5th and subsequent = ISS and loss of parking privileges for balance of semester

Unexcused late and absence = lost time toward 160 minutes (per marking period)

Classroom Procedures

Students will be in the classroom when the bell rings, otherwise they will be marked late.

Students will only request the lavatory, nurse, or other pass at the beginning or end of class, NOT during instruction!

Participation and cooperation are an ongoing part of your grade. Please act accordingly in the classroom.

Copying of any kind (including homework and class work) will result in a zero for BOTH students.