

Department: English **Course Title:** CREATIVE WRITING **Course #:** 132

DESCRIPTION OF COURSE:

Students will refine their creative writing skills and abilities beyond those developed in the required English courses. This course encourages students to see creative writing as a unique way of thinking and constructing meaning. Through reading many examples of great literature and learning varied styles of poetry, fictive prose, non-fictive prose, and drama, students will learn to model a variety of techniques. Peer assessment and frequent discussions are a major component of the course, as is the ability to accept constructive criticism. Students will also excel at the art of revision.

REQUIRED TOPICS OF STUDY	SUGGESTED INSTRUCTIONAL TIME	STANDARDS/ ASSESSMENT ANCHORS
<i>Figurative Language Review</i>	<i>One week</i>	1.2.11 1.3.11 1.4.11, 1.5.11, 1.8.11
<i>Introduction to Short Fiction</i>	<i>four weeks</i>	R11.A.1,R11.A.2,R11.B.1,R11.B.2,R11.B.3,11.1.1,11.1.2,11.1.3,11.1.4,11.1.5
<i>Introduction to Poetry</i>	<i>three weeks</i>	R11.A.1,R11.A.2,R11.B.1,R11.B.2,R11.B.3,11.1.1,11.1.2,11.1.3,11.1.4,11.1.5
<i>Advanced Fiction</i>	<i>Three weeks</i>	R11.A.1,R11.A.2,R11.B.1,R11.B.2,R11.B.3,11.1.1,11.1.2,11.1.3,11.1.4,11.1.5
<i>Advanced Poetry</i>	<i>three weeks</i>	R11.A.1,R11.A.2,R11.B.1,R11.B.2,R11.B.3,11.1.1,11.1.2,11.1.3,11.1.4,11.1.5
<i>Introduction to Drama</i>	<i>Two weeks</i>	R11.A.1,R11.A.2,R11.B.1,R11.B.2,R11.B.3,11.1.1,11.1.2,11.1.3,11.1.4,11.1.5
<i>Literary Analyses</i>	<i>ongoing</i>	R11.A.1,R11.A.2,R11.B.1,R11.B.2,R11.B.3,11.1.1,11.1.2,11.1.3,11.1.4,11.1.5

INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES:

The Creative Writer's Craft <http://www.poetseers.org/> <http://www.bartleby.com/>

In a Field of Words <http://www.poetrymagazine.org/> <http://www.poemhunter.com/> <http://www.poets.org/>

http://www.gutenberg.org/wiki/Main_Page

OUTSIDE READINGS: n/a

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Class Rules

1. We will respect the rights and responsibilities of others. (see Bill of Rights Addendum)
2. We will be punctual and accountable for our assigned schedules.
3. We will respect our property and the property of others.
4. We will follow the specific rules of classroom and designated school areas.
5. We will follow the directions as given by the person in charge.
6. Participate in class discussions; ask questions if you're confused
7. If absent, find out what you missed before the next class; see me for clarification

Class Attendance Policy (as per school policy)

Lates (per semester)

- 1st and 2nd late = warning
- 3rd late = detention
- 4th late = 2 detentions
- 5th & more lates = office referral

Classroom Procedures

1. Be prepared. (Bring your textbooks, a pen, and your homework)
2. Participate in class discussions; ask questions if you're confused
3. If absent, find out what you missed before the next class; see me for clarification

Homework Procedures

1. Do not plagiarize the work of others in this class.

Grading

1. checklists/reflections/self assessments/conferences
2. on time work
3. literary analyses (1/quarter)
4. participation
5. figurative language quiz

Project Information

1. Present a work for discussion
2. Final Exam Portfolio

Parent Signature

Student Signature