

English Department

211 H English I (1 Cr.)

Grade 9

This survey course focuses in depth on the various literary genres: novel, short story, essay, report, biography, autobiography, poetry, drama, and epic. Students learn to recognize and analyze literary elements. They read and write in persuasive, expository, descriptive, and narrative modes, distinguishing between subjective personal expression and objective accurate writing. The writing process strives to promote correctness in grammar, diction and usage. The course requires reading of a variety of literary works to supplement knowledge and to encourage personal reading. Writing an MLA format research paper is part of the course.

212 CP English I (1 Cr.)

Grade 9

This survey course presents a variety of international selections of literary works and authors. By reading and responding to various genres of literature, including novels, short stories, essays, reports, biographies, poems, and drama, students develop an appreciation of literature and improve their oral and written communication skills. Vocabulary development, grammar, the writing process, and research skills are also stressed. Writing an MLA format research paper is part of the course.

220 Standardized Test Prep Course (STPC) (.25 Cr.)

Grade 10

This course will help students develop the skills and test taking strategies needed to prepare for standardized testing, focusing on the PSAT and SAT tests. A calculator will be required for the Math classroom days.

All sophomores are required to take this course.

221 H World Literature (1 Cr.)

Grade 10

This course is designed to engage students in the careful reading and critical analysis of literature from the 16th to the 21st centuries. Students will do close readings of works from several genres and periods to deepen their understanding of the way writers use language. Students will work to develop and organize ideas in clear, cohesive, and persuasive language. Writing a research paper is also an important part of the course. Writing an MLA format research paper is part of the course.

Prerequisite- a grade of 87 in Honors English I 92 in CP English I

222 CP World Literature (1 Cr.)

Grade 10

This course includes a survey of world literature from Classical Greek literature to the 21st Century. Students are introduced to major themes reflecting man's moral, spiritual, intellectual, and emotional development. Students are required to express themselves through written and oral presentations. Vocabulary development, as well as correct grammar and usage, provide the basis for competency in writing. Skills fundamental to writing short reaction essays, technical analysis, and creative application are stressed. Writing an MLA format research paper is part of the course.

230 Speech Communication (.25 Cr.)

Grade 11

This course will stress the impact of communication on one's life and the significance of one's role as a communicator. Speech communication will help students develop their listening and speaking skills by introducing them to communication theory, a variety of public-speaking categories, and peer critiques.

231 H British Literature (1 Cr.)

Grade 11

This course includes an in-depth study of English literature from the Anglo-Saxon Period to Modern Times. Students are expected to analyze poems, prose works, and novels of English authors. Included are the study of vocabulary and grammar and their application to writing. Strong emphasis is placed on the writing process and the use of outside sources to document research. Additional assignments include reading of various novels and completion of literary projects. Writing an APA format research paper is part of the course.

Prerequisite- a grade of 87 in Honors English II or a 92 in CP English II

232 CP British Literature (1 Cr.)

Grade 11

This course is designed to introduce students to the different types of English literature from the Anglo-Saxon Period to Modern Times. Students are guided in reading and discussing major works of this period. The writing process and its application to various types of essays are emphasized along with the rules of grammar. The study of vocabulary and the reading of novels give students a well-rounded background in English. Writing an APA format research paper is part of the course.

241 H English IV – American Literature (1 Cr.) (Dual Enrollment) Grade 12

To gain further insight into American heritage and present culture, this course provides students with an in-depth chronological study of American literature from the Colonial Period to the Contemporary Period. Supplementary novels, quarterly projects, and class presentations are assigned on a regular basis to help expand vocabulary and improve comprehension. Grammar, composition, and research skills are reinforced through detailed application of the writing process to the student's individual work. This course may be taken as Dual Enrollment with LCCC if all requirements are met. Writing a Chicago/Turabian format research paper is part of the course. A fee is involved.

Pre-Requisite- a grade of 87 in Honors English III 92 in CP English III

242 CP English IV – American Literature (1 Cr.) Grade 12

To provide further insight into American heritage and present culture, this course provides students with a chronological survey of American literature from the Colonial Period to the Contemporary Period. Supplementary novels, serving as a basis for semester projects and class presentations, are assigned for independent reading to help expand vocabulary and improve comprehension. Grammar, composition, and research skills are reinforced through an in-depth application of the writing process to the student's individual work. Writing a Chicago/Turabian format research paper is part of the course.

251 AP English IV (1 Cr.) (Dual Enrollment) Grade 12

This course is designed to engage motivated, disciplined students in the careful reading and critical analysis of literature from the 16th to the 20th centuries. Students will work to develop and organize ideas in clear, cohesive and persuasive writing and they are expected to be active participants in discussions in preparation for the AP exam in English Literature and composition offered in May of senior year. This course may be taken as Dual Enrollment with LCCC if all requirements are met. Writing a Chicago/Turabian format research paper is part of the course. A fee is involved.

The College Board exacts a fee of approximately \$95 for this exam.

Prerequisites: Qualifying grades in previous English courses, a qualifying PSAT or SAT score; Department approval.

236 CP Introduction to Journalism (.5 Cr.) Grade 11 or 12

This one-semester course will introduce students to the interview process, newswriting (both online and print), ethics (including libel and plagiarism) photography and stylebooks focusing on AP Style and the Catholic News Service.

246 CP Journalism/Photo-Journalism (1 Cr.) Grade 12

This year-long course covers facets of digital yearbook, production, including developing and carrying out a theme, arranging and designing layouts, writing copy, captions, and headlines, as well as perfecting photography skills to enhance the theme. Students may also work on social media, focusing on judging newsworthiness and reporting issues important to school and student body. Participation is based on the approval of the yearbook moderator and a review of your English grades.