

ENGLISH 2333

BRITISH & WORLD LITERATURE-DUAL CREDIT

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Instructor Information

Conference Time: Cougar Block

Section Information

Section: English 2333: World Lit. 17th Century-Present—Dual Credit
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English 2333 Overview

3 Credits (3 hrs. lec.) A survey of world literature from 17th century to Modern times. Students will study works of prose, poetry, drama, and fiction in relation to their historical and cultural contexts. Texts will be selected from a diverse group of authors and traditions. (1601045213) Prerequisite: ENGL 1301 and ENGL 1302.

Grading

This class will follow Tomball ISD policy of counting major grades for 70% and daily grades for 30%. Semester grades will consist of nine-week period grades and a semester exam which counts 20% of the final grade. More details of the grading policy can be found in the student handbook.

Major grades will consist of

- At least 2 comprehensive tests or projects per six-weeks.
Test will contain a variety of objective and essay questions and will be timed.
- In-class and out-of-class writing assignments (major essays).

Daily grades will consist of

- Class-work/home-work
- Notebook / Reading Journal
- Quizzes
- Progress checks on major essays
- Class Participation / Group Activity

Homework

Students will not have an excess of homework on a regular basis. However, work not completed in class and studying for test should be attended to regularly.

Supplies

Students need pen, paper, and notebook in class each day.

Average Day

A typical class day will *roughly* follow this pattern:

- Warm up / Bell Ringer (five minutes)
- Teacher Demonstration (fifteen minutes)
- Whole Class Discussion (five minutes)
- Group Discussion (fifteen minutes)
- Individual Reflection (five minutes)
- Exit Ticket (five minutes)

Policies

Attendance Requirements:

Due to the nature of the course and the in-class exercises, communication with instructor is paramount. Emergency situations do happen, but keep in mind: an absence is an absence regardless if the situation is medical or legal emergency. Budget your time accordingly.

Late Paper/Missed Assignment Policy:

Students will write almost on a daily basis. Some quantities of outside reading should be expected.

- The progress of this class depends on written assignments turned in on time.
- A 10-point grade reduction for all assignments submitted one (1) day after the due date;
- A 20-point grade reduction for all assignments submitted two (2) days after the due date;
- After that, the assignment will not be accepted for a grade and will receive a zero (0).

I do not accept e-mails with any assignment-attachments.

- There will be numerous in-class assignments and group activities. Completing these assignments earn you daily points.
- On the return day after an absence, make an appointment during Mr. Smith's conference period to make up work.
- Test and quizzes are expected to be made up on the return day. Likewise, late daily work must be made up on the return day during scheduled conference times. Work turned in beyond the conference period will be considered late and will be marked off 10 points per day.
- Academic dishonesty (cheating, plagiarism, etc.) will be dealt with according to HISD policies explained in the student handbook. Incidents will be reported to the appropriate assistant principal.

Phone Policy:

Under instructor's guidelines, phones are permitted in class. However, phones must be silent during instruction segments.

Academic Integrity Policy:

All student work for this course must be original to the student and original to the course. Clear evidence of academic dishonesty (cheating, plagiarism, etc.) will be dealt with according to Tomball ISD policies explained in the student handbook. Incidents will be reported to the appropriate assistant principal. Remember, unintended plagiarism is also considered plagiarism. Rhetorical formulas will be provided for to prevent such cases.

Parent Contact

The best way to contact me is through the school e-mail: davidsmith@tomballschools.net.

A Remind account has been set up for reminders concerning upcoming assignments, projects, or tests.

Classroom Rules

1. Students should be respectful of teacher, peers, and self.
 - limit phone use
 - raise hand if you have questions
 - value diverse opinions
2. Successful students will bring all supplies to class: notebook, pens or pencils.
3. Be sure to listen and follow directions closely.
4. Arrive on time—you only have a few minutes between classes!
5. The success of your group requires cooperation and positive attitudes.
6. Read ahead, be curious, and ask questions. If necessary, ask more questions.

Updates to the syllabus will be posted online periodically.