

**English 1302: Dual Credit Course**  
**Site: Permian High School Campus**  
**Fiction, Poetry and Drama**  
**Instructor: Janis May**

**Catalog Description:**

- Consists of essentials of correctness and effectiveness in writing skills.
- Emphasizes reading and writing prose along with some research techniques.
- Requires and reading, writing and research skills.

**Textbook: Located at the OC Bookstore**

*Literature: An Introduction to Fiction, Poetry, and Drama.* X.J. Kennedy and Dana Gioia ed. New York: Pearson Longman, 2007.

Also suggested, but not essential, are a general writer's handbook, a good dictionary and a thesaurus.

**Supplies:**

- OC ID
- Pack of 4-5 colored highlighters
- Flash drive or other storage device
- Access to word processing program and the Internet

**Prospective Learning Outcomes:**

**The student will:**

- Be able to read fiction, poetry and drama with an eye to the analysis of these works;
- Analyze literary elements present in the various works;
- Demonstrate mastery of analysis techniques;
- Write well organized, thesis driven analysis essays, with clear internal organization governed by a series of controlled paragraph topic sentences;
- Move logically in a body paragraph from the generalization of the topic sentence to a more specific clarification;
- Support assertions interestingly and with depth through detailed, specific illustrations;
- Maintain a logical movement through an essay with control of transitions, clarifications, and reasonable conclusions to ideas;
- Analyze a rhetorical situation to determine the most appropriate writing strategy, having knowledge and control of the most common, useful analytical writing strategies;
- Analyze an audience to determine the best strategies for convincing it;
- Demonstrate an understanding of some basic research techniques such as quotation integration and citation;
- Demonstrate some research and library skills
- Demonstrate some knowledge of bibliographic form;

- Demonstrate mastery of conventional English.

### **Course Requirements:**

The students will read various professional works, spaced evenly over the course of the semester, writing short answer and essay responses to the works, in addition to a final exam essay. Students are expected to keep up with all readings. Quizzes may be expected over the readings. Students must actively participate in all work in and out of class. Various focused grammar and literary assignments may be required to offset individual writer's needs. Students with severe grammar problems will be expected to attend tutorials either at Permian or at the OC campus writing center.

### **Special Needs**

Odessa College complies with Section 504 of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. If you have any special needs or issues pertaining to your access to and participation in this or any other class at Odessa College, please feel free to contact me to discuss your concerns. You may also call the Office of Disability services at 432- 335-6861 to request assistance and accommodations.

### **Assessment:**

Homework will be 20%, quizzes will be 30%, tests and major projects will be 50% and the final exam will be averaged at the end. It is imperative that the student understand that a college class has far fewer grades; therefore, those grades weigh heavily. Care must be taken to keep up with the activities done weekly so the preparation for the major essay grades is sufficient.

### **Grading Policy:**

Unless arrangements have been made ahead of time, **any assignment late receives a zero.** Notification of emergency must be as immediate as possible. If there has been an absence, proof of doctor's appointments, family deaths, etc. must be presented at the time of submission of essay. This can be from the attendance clerk as you have had to turn this in to her. I will accept her verification.

**If you are sick on a major turn in day, you must have someone turn in your essay for you.** Since you know well in advance of the due date, this should be no problem.

If you are going to be absent (for an excused activity) when an essay is due, then you need to turn it in **EARLY-NOT AFTER THE TRIP.** It will be considered late otherwise because you have your syllabus and know in advance of all major due dates.

### **Attendance Policy:**

Attendance is mandatory!!!! This is a college class taken on a high school campus. You just happen to be getting high school credit as well. If the college feels you have too many absences, you could have trouble getting credit. If you have to miss some classes, don't choose this one!!! Remember, you are paying for this, and this semester will be the first grade on your official college transcript.

### **Plagiarism:**

**Neither cheating nor plagiarism will be tolerated in this class. If you are unclear what plagiarism entails, see me and I will explain. Professionals take this very seriously....I do, and so should you.**

**Let's work together to make this a good semester for all. ☺**