Choosing an English Class for Senior Year

ENGLISH 12 / ENGLISH 12 HONORS / AP LITERATURE

English 12 Standard

- College-prep and skills course
- 1-2 major works per quarter
- Lively class discussions
- Group Work aids in literary analysis
- 30 minutes of homework on average (but not every night); primarily reading
- High-interest literary works taught with teacher support at a reasonable pace
- Vocabulary study and writing lessons

English 12 Standard

- College Essay Assignment
  - Analysis of examples
  - Personal Essay writing lessons
  - Coaching/writing conference/personalized feedback from the teacher
- Research Paper
  - Three or more critical sources
  - 1,500 words, mostly written in class
  - Mid-process feedback on thesis, outline, and draft
  - Help/support from teacher/librarians/SWC
- Occasional short writings

English 12 Honors

- College-prep course; hybrid of AP Lit and Standard English
- 1-2 major works per quarter
- Lively class discussion/Socratic seminars
- 30-45 minutes of homework on average (but not every night); primarily reading
- High-interest literature: similar rigor to AP Lit but fewer literary works taught; more in-depth study at a more relaxed pace
- Group analysis assignments during class

English 12 Honors

- College Essay Assignment
  - Analysis of various essay examples
  - Personal Essay writing lessons
  - Coaching/writing conference/personalized feedback
- Literary Theory Unit including research, group project and group presentation
- Literary Analysis Research Paper
  - Five or more critical sources
  - 2,000 words, mostly written in class
  - Mid-process feedback on thesis, outline, and draft
  - Help/support from teacher
- Occasional in-class essays and other short writings

AP Literature

- College-level course; independence required
- 3 major works per quarter; literature and poetry
- Formative and Summative Assessments
- 1-2 hours of homework
- Multiple in-class writing assessments
- Comprehensive review for the AP exam
- Possible college credit depending on score

AP Literature

- Constant in-class writing and drafting/practice
- College Essay Assignment
  - Analysis of examples
  - Personal Essay writing lessons
  - Coaching/writing conference/personalized feedback from the teacher
- Literary Analysis Research Paper
  - Five or more critical sources
  - 2,500 words
  - Mid-process feedback on thesis, outline, and draft

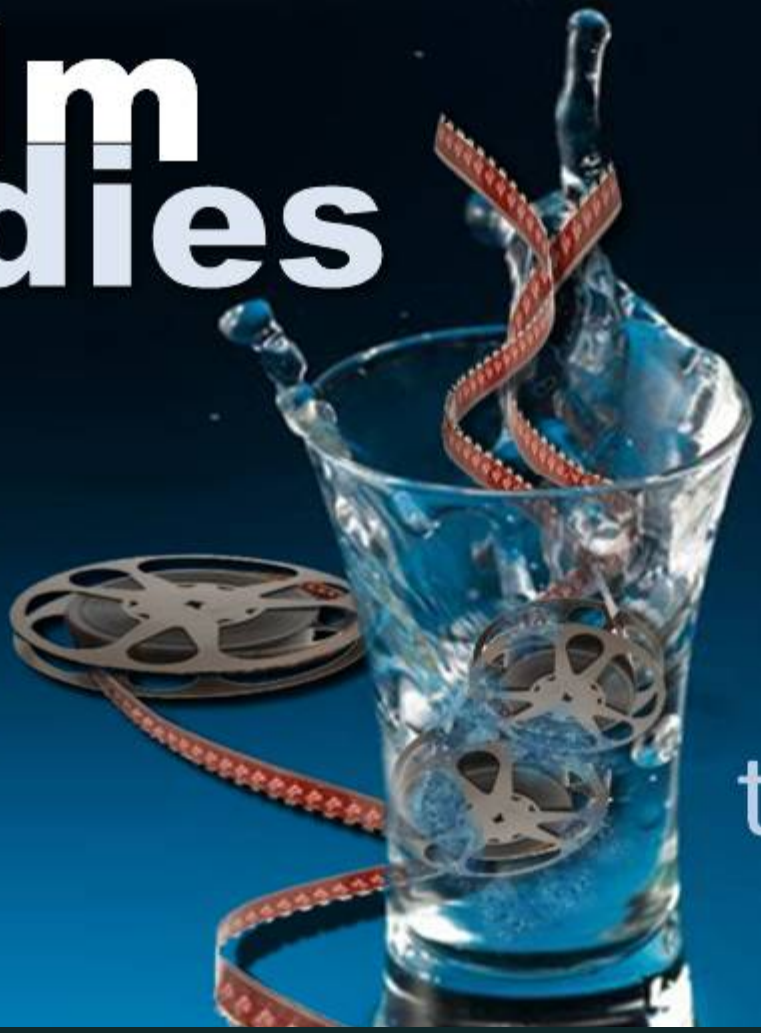
AP Literature

- Thrives on energy from both teacher and students
- Designed to foster a love of fiction; appreciation for reading/writing about sophisticated works
- Introduces secondary critical essays for evaluation
- Relies heavily on students completing reading prior to class, and on students as ACTIVE readers
- Willingness to discuss/ask questions in large and small group settings
- Parallel in difficulty to AP Lang

AP Literature

- Homework Expectations:
  - primarily reading; 10-50 pages depending on the difficulty of the text
  - Occasional assignments analyzing part of a work (symbols, etc).
  - Occasional writing practice/revision
- Almost all writing done in class, excepting the research paper
- Exam preparation:
  - 55 objective questions in 60 minutes
  - 3 essays in 120 minutes

Film Studies



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* Learn about film history & culture! * Work in groups! *
* A Humanities Department elective *
* Counts as a Fine Arts Elective *
* * * NO HOMEWORK! * * *