

Syllabus for:	English 1B--Critical Inquiry & Literature
Semester & Year:	Spring 2017
Course ID and Section Number:	ENGL-1B-E1360 (041360)
Number of Credits/Units:	3.0
Day/Time:	MW 1:15-2:40pm
Location:	Student Services/Admin. Bldg. Room 109
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Course Description (catalog description as described in course outline):	
A course using literature as a basis for critical thinking and composition. Students analyze issues, problems, and situations represented in literature and develop effective short and long written arguments (6000 minimum word total) in support of an analysis. This course is designed for those students who seek to satisfy both the full year composition and the critical thinking transfer requirements.	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Student Learning Outcomes (as described in course outline): Analyze and employ appeals (e.g. logical, emotional, faulty, etc.) in written texts. 2. Write logical, well-developed, thesis-driven essays that respond to questions at issue raised by literary works. 3. Locate, evaluate, use, and document evidence from primary and secondary sources (both electronic and print) to support, develop, or validate judgments. 	
Identify and evaluate rhetorical and literary devices as representational and persuasive tools.	
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Prerequisite: Passing English 1A (or equivalent course) with a C grade or better is necessary to take English 1B. **Note:** Familiarity and facility with computers and their programs (CR email and Canvas/Microsoft Word/Power Point) is highly recommended!!

Required Texts

Mays, Kelly J. *The Norton Introduction to Literature*, Portable 12th Edition. New York: Norton, 2017.

Hacker, Diana and Nancy Sommers. *A Pocket Style Manual, 2016 MLA Updated Edition*, 7th Ed. Boston: Bedford/St. Martin's, 2016.

Manuscript Format

Use Times New Roman font, size 12, double-spaced, .5 inch indentation for paragraphs (no extra spacing between paragraphs), 1 inch margins all around, with page numbers preceded by your last name at top right, all pages stapled. Your name, instructor's name, class, assignment label, date, and word count should be double-spaced and aligned left at top of first page; title is centered. In general, follow MLA format. See the MLA information in *A Pocket Style Manual, 2016 MLA Updated Edition*.

Course Overview

Throughout the term emphasis will be placed on understanding the fundamental aspects of literature and argumentation and how they can be applied to writing critical essays with in-text documentation in Modern Language Association format. An in-class essay will also be required. In addition to extensive writing assignments, there will be significant reading. During weeks fifteen and sixteen, students will concentrate on final portfolio preparation. Students should save all written work.

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Office Hours

I usually will be available in the LRC on Mondays from 12:00-1:00pm. I have three Writing Lab shifts this semester, so you can come see me in the lab if you are enrolled in a Writing Lab section. Still, I highly recommend scheduling an appointment with in the LRC if possible.

Expectations

1. You should attend class regularly, asking questions, participating in discussion, and demonstrating cooperation with class members in an effort to maturely and intelligently discuss the material.
2. You should attend at least one office conference, preferably during the first six weeks of the semester.

Requirements

1. You must hand in all assignments on time unless you make prior arrangements.
2. You must submit all out-of-class papers to turnitin.com through Canvas.
3. You must keyboard all out-of-class essay assignments.
4. You must successfully complete all assigned essays (including an in-class paper), a research paper, and a portfolio.

Grades

English 1B is graded A, A-, B+, B, B-, C+, C, D, F. If you successfully meet all course requirements, your final grade will be calculated as follows:

Class preparation and participation.....	10%
Quizzes/Grammar Exercises.....	10%
Essays	30%
Portfolio.....	25%
Research paper (including plan and final draft).....	25%

Notes

1. You are responsible for all of your own work. While I encourage collaborative study groups and tutoring, any plagiarism, cheating, or disruptive behavior will result in immediate referral to the Campus Dean and the “Student Code of Conduct Standards.”
2. **Cell phones and other personal communication devices are not part of English 1B. Do not bring them to class unless they are turned off or set on the vibrate mode. If you must take a call, quietly leave the room. Texting is never appropriate during class, and it will affect your final course grade if you choose to text in class.**
3. If you have a disability, you are invited to meet with me to identify any special needs that you may have in English 1B. Please communicate your needs during the first week of the semester.
4. Laptops and tablets should not be open or powered on during class discussions, but can be used when the instructor allows.
5. This syllabus is subject to change should circumstances warrant revision.

“Writing is easy. All you have to do is cross out the wrong words.”--Mark Twain

Course Calendar and Assignment Schedule

The following information is to be used as a guide for the work you will be expected to do each week. The **BOLD** type is your guide for when your major writing assignments and essays will be assigned, then due as rough and final drafts, and finally returned. **The assigned work listed for each date is your homework.** This is the work you should have done by the NEXT class session (ex. All the work listed on Aug. 29th needs to be completed by the time class begins on Aug. 31st). Please note that although some of the dates will inevitably change, the sequence of the work most likely will not. This outline can also be found in the Syllabus Section of this class' Canvas website, so use it as your primary reference to determine where the course is heading and the work you need to do. The readings below are for pages assigned in our class text *The Norton Introduction to Literature*, Portable 12th Edition. Reading and associated exercises for our other class text, *A Pocket Style Manual, 2016 MLA Updated Edition*, 7th Ed., will be found posted on our English 1B Canvas site.

Key: LIT— *The Norton Introduction to Literature*, Portable 12th Edition.

Week 1

1/18 LIT—pp. 1-32 **Syllabus Quiz Assignment (see Assignments Link in Canvas)**
All students must log in to Canvas and CR Email **Syllabus Quiz due to Canvas 1/20**

Week 2

1/23 LIT—pp. 33-56 **Song Lyric Analysis Assigned (1.5-2 pp.)**
1/25 LIT—pp. 57-93

Week 3

1/30 LIT—pp. 93-109 **Song Lyric Analysis Due to Canvas 1/30**
2/1 LIT—pp. 110-121 **Reader Response #1 Due 2/6**

Week 4

2/6 LIT—pp. 122-130 **Research Paper Assigned**
2/8 LIT—pp. 131-155 **Song Lyric Analysis Returned to Class**

Week 5

2/13 LIT—pp. 156-163 **Working on Research Topic and Report**
2/15 LIT—pp. 164-185

Week 6

2/20 LIT—pp. 186-212 **Reader Response #2 Due 2/20**
2/22 LIT—pp. 213-233