

ENGLISH 130 COURSE OUTLINE (Winter 1997)

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Course Description:

This course is designed for adults who need a grade twelve level English. The five basic communications skills, **reading, listening, viewing, speaking and writing** are integrated into the course.

Objectives:

1. to gain an understanding of various forms of literature
2. to be able to respond personally and critically to experiences and ideas presented in literature.
3. to increase confidence in both written and oral expression
4. to understand how to research, organize and write essays and a term paper

Texts:

1. Reading, Writing - Dasgupta & Redfern
2. An Introduction to literature - Bernet/Berman/Burto
3. The Stone Angel --Laurence
4. One of : Obasan - Kogawa
The Old Man and the Sea - Hemingway
5. Handbook -Little, Brown Essential Handbook for Writers
6. Dictionary

Unit 1 - The Essay

1. studying expository form in its main patterns through reading and discussing a variety of essays
2. discovering the usefulness of the essay for personal themes and for literary analysis
3. learning to organize and write different styles of essays
4. learning to evaluate and proofread an essay

Unit 2 -The Short Story

1. studying story form - including the elements of plot, theme, character, point of view, symbolism, irony, emotion and fantasy and discovering how each contributes to the unity of the story.

Unit 3 - The Novel

1. studying the novel as a form of literature- covering elements mentioned in Unit 2, but concentrating more on author's style, theme, tone.

Unit 4 - Drama

1. studying the unique qualities of drama as a form of literature through reading and viewing one Shakespearean play and possibly one modern play.

Unit 5 - Poetry

1. studying poetic forms, rhythm, rhyme, compression of language in poetry - imagery and figurative language devices. One assignment will involve presenting a poem to the class.

Unit 6 - Research Paper

This paper will be worked on during the entire semester. Topics may be chosen from any subject matter but must be approved by the instructor. Skills developed will include, choosing a topic, developing a thesis, researching and notetaking, developing a working outline, writing and rewriting the paper, and learning format requirements.

GRADES- The final mark in the course is an accumulated mark, including the marks obtained on all assignments, tests during the year, final test and including a mark for participation in class (10% of the final mark). Regular attendance is important and acknowledged in this participation mark as are class participation assignments.

In Class Assignments and Tests	65%
Participation	10%
Final Exam	25%
	100%

***SEMINAR HOUR -** This year English 130 has an additional 1 hour a week called a seminar hour. Students are expected to attend every seminar in order to receive additional instruction related to assignments.

English 130 - Timelines and Assignments (Winter 1997)

Jan 6-24 Essay Unit -

Assign #1 Organizing and writing a short essay

Assign #2 Making summary notes of an essay

Assign #3 Making a summary paragraph of an
essay

Jan 20 — Assign #4 Research Paper topic chosen

Assign #5 Library - min. of 4 sources needed for #4

Jan 27 -Feb 14 The Short Story -

Assign #6 - Describe plot

Assign #7 - Write a theme statement for a story

Assign #8 - Describe symbol or irony

Assign #9 - Story Unit test

Assign #10 - Topic Outline and Thesis for

Research Paper

Feb17-Mar7 Novel- The Stone Angel

Assign #11 - Essay based on the novel

March10-27 Drama Unit - "Othello" + Research Paper

Assign #12 - Working Outline of Research Paper

Assign #13 - Test on the play

March 21** Assign #14 **Research Paper due (no extensions or
coupons allowed)**

March 31-April 11- Poetry Unit and Extra Novel

Assign #15 Paraphrase exercise

Assign #16 Oral Presentation of Poetry

Assign #17 Poetry Test

Assign #18 - Extra Novel - Questions

April Exam Week - Final Exam

Assignments During Semester make up 65% of final mark.

Participation in class is worth 10% of final mark.

Final Exam is worth 25% of final mark.