



**Syllabus:** World Literature I

**Course Number:** ENGL 2332.01

**Semester & Year:** Fall 2019

**Instructor Information:**

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**Textbook Information:** Students will use a variety of Internet sources and digital copies in lieu of a traditional textbook.

**Course Materials:** regular sized notebook paper, blue or black ink pens, pencil, highlighters, flash drive, and a folder with pockets.

**Course Description:** This course is a study of the classics of western literature from Homer through the early Renaissance and the interrelations of the literary form and thought with emphasis on writing literary analysis.

**Prerequisite(s):** Students taking this course must have satisfactorily completed both semesters of Composition I & II, ENGL 1301 and 1302, or the equivalent from another college or university and successful completion of the reading portion of the TSI test.

**Student Learning Outcomes for the Course:**

Upon successful completion of this course, students will:

1. Identify key ideas, representative authors and works, significant historical or cultural events, and characteristic perspectives or attitudes expressed in the literature of different time periods or regions.
2. Analyze literary works as expressions of individual or communal values with the social, political, cultural, or religious contexts of different literary periods.



3. Demonstrate knowledge of the development of characteristic forms or style of expression during different historical periods or in different regions.
4. Articulate the aesthetic principles that guide the scope and variety of work in the arts and humanities.
5. Write research-based critical papers about the assigned readings in clear and grammatically correct prose, using various critical approaches to literature.

**Student Requirements for Completion of the Course:** Major exams and daily quizzes will count 20% of the overall grade. In addition, students will write summary/response essays about a critical essay of a piece of literature covered in class during the first literary period. Working in groups, students will prepare a group PowerPoint presentation over an author and his/her works from the Middle Ages. The group project and overall positive participation (base groups) will figure into the daily grade percentage. Students will also complete a newsletter that focuses on historical background of a Renaissance author and incorporates an analytical research essay using Modern Language Association (MLA) documentation and a minimum of three literary criticisms. Students' presentations of their newsletters will make up a portion of their grades. As per LKHS grading policy the student's lowest two (2) quiz grades (essays, presentations, and the research paper grades will **NOT** be dropped) will be dropped.

**Student Assessment:**

Assignments and Assessments	# of Activities	Total Percentage of Final Grade
Essays	3+	30 %
Tests/Quizzes	3+	20 %
Presentations	3+	20 %
Research Paper	1	30 %
Total Points/Percentage Possible		<b>100 %</b>

**Grading Scale:**

Grade	
A	90-100
B	80-89
C	70-79
D	60-69
F	59-below



**Class Schedule:**

<i>Week</i>	<b>Text to be Studied</b>
Aug. 19 – 23	Class Introduction; Background on Mesopotamia
Aug 26 – 30	“The Epic of Gilgamesh”; Essay
Sept 3 - 6	Ancient Greek Cultures, Values and Philosophies Introduction; <i>The Iliad</i> and Oedipus the King; Student Presentations on Assigned Project
Sept 9 – 14	Classical, Dramatic, and Ideal Theory; <i>Poetics</i> and <i>Medea</i> ; Essay
Sept 16 - 20	“The Frogs”, “The Aenid”, and/or “The Song of Roland”; Student Presentation on Assigned Projects
Sept 23 – 27	Research Paper Guidelines, Topics, and MLA 8 review; Early Medieval Culture Background
Oct 1 - 4	“Everyman”; Background Notes on Late Middle Ages/Early Renaissance
Oct 7 - 11	<i>Dante’s Inferno</i> ; Student Presentations over <i>Dante’s Inferno</i>
Oct 15 – 18	Introduction to the Renaissance; Select Poems by Shakespeare, Donne, and Marlowe; Essay
Oct 22 - 25	Introduction to Medieval Romances; “Gawain and the Green Knight”
Oct 28 – Nov 1	“L’Morte de Arthur”; Introduction to the English Renaissance
Nov 4 – 8	<i>Paradise Lost</i> ; Student Presentations over Medieval Romances
Nov 12 - 15	<i>Faerie Queen</i> ; Essay ; Research Papers due
Nov 18 - 22	Student Presentations over Research Paper; Post-test
Dec 2 - 7	Student Presentations over Research Paper
Dec 9 – 13	Student Presentations over Research Paper
Dec 16 – 20	Semester Review; Semester Testing

**LKHS Email:** Students should check their LKHS Email account on a regular basis to check for general information sent from campus or instructors. They should also consult the website periodically.

**Absentee Policy:** The attendance policy for this course will be strictly enforced. Students need to attend class and participate in important class discussions, instructions, and information. If a student misses more than four days for MW/TTH classes or two class periods for night or summer classes, he/she will be dropped from the class. Please note that students will not receive credit for most late assignments, even if they have not reached their maximum absences. (Also note that for most written assignments,



students will need to have read online or from the textbook prior to completing the graded assignment.) Students entering class five minutes after the class has begun will be counted tardy. Three tardies will count as one absence. Students entering the class 15 minutes late or more will be counted absent. If a student is late, it is his/her responsibility to speak with the instructor after class to ensure he/she was marked correctly on the roll (tardy instead of absent) and to see if any important information was missed. If a student leaves class early, he/she will be counted tardy or absent (if attended 3/4ths of the class or less) unless he/she received prior approval. The student is responsible for keeping track of his/her absences. If a student is dropped from class, the last date of attendance will be recorded and sent to the Admissions Office. If a student is dropped, he/she may be responsible for paying back money received from grants or scholarships. Even if the student is absent, the student is still responsible for all assignments/essays due that day and all assignments/essays given. Students should immediately contact the instructor if they are absent. (See Texarkana College's complete policy at the end of this document.) Linden-Kildare High School Dual Credit students will adhere to the LKCISD attendance policy as approved by the LKCISD School Board.

**Drop Date:** The official drop date for the course is November 15, 2019, which is the last date for the student to drop this course with a W. The professor may drop the student with an F or a W after the drop date for exceeding absences, not completing work, or behavioral issues.

**Make-up Policy:**

If the student is absent, **it is the student's responsibility to make arrangements to complete the assignments within one day of the absence; however, if a student misses on a presentation day, the student will not be allowed to do the presentation unless arrangements are made with the instructor. Daily grades cannot be made up unless arrangements are made with the instructor via email prior to the student's return to class.**

If the student is allowed to give the presentation late, ten points will be deducted. If a student misses on test day, the test will be placed in the Testing Center, and the student will have one week to complete the test. If a student misses on a day that an essay is due, the student is still responsible for turning the essay in on time. If a student is excused for a Texarkana College extracurricular activity, religious holiday, or military service, the student must receive prior approval from the Dean of Students and the instructor. Assignments must be completed prior to the excused absence. **No Late work will be accepted!**

NOTE: Students must hand in ALL assigned essays in order to receive a passing grade for the course. Students who do not hand in essays within two weeks of the assigned due date may be dropped from the course for non-compliance. Major essays be typed and double spaced to be accepted for grading and MUST include an edited rough draft that has been signed and dated by a student editing peer in order to be accepted for grading as required by the instructor.



All assignments have a due date and must be completed by the deadline given. If the student is absent, the student is still responsible for all assignments/essays due that day and all assignments/essays given. In addition, students who are repeatedly absent will lose participation points. If the student does not attend class on the due date, the essay/project will be considered late if not turned in before or at the beginning of class. If a student is absent for one of the major tests, he/she may make up the exam, but must make arrangements within one day with the professor to complete the exam prior to the following class time. Quizzes may not be made up unless the absence is excused and the student made prior arrangements. (The lowest quiz grade will be dropped.) Problems with a student's computer or Internet service will not be valid excuses for not submitting work on time. If a student is excused for a LK or Texarkana College extra-curricular activity, religious holiday, or military service, the student must receive prior approval from the Dean of Students and the instructor. Assignments must be completed prior to the excused absence. The student WILL be dropped from the course if he/she fails to complete two major assignments (essay, project, or tests) within one week of their due dates.

Linden-Kildare High School Dual Credit Students ONLY: No late work will be accepted. If a student is absent, they have one day to complete the work missed. Assignments due the day the student is absent are due on their due date. Assignments may be emailed to the instructor.

**Academic Integrity Statement:** Scholastic dishonesty, involving but not limited to cheating on a test, plagiarism, collusion, or falsification of records, will make the student liable for disciplinary action after being investigated by the Dean of Students. Proven violations of this nature will result in the student being dropped from the class with an F. This policy applies campus wide, including TC Testing Center, as well as off-campus classroom or lab sites, including dual credit campuses. This information can be found in the Student Handbook at <https://texarkanacollege.edu>. Dual Credit students proven in violation will also be subject to disciplinary actions by LKHS.

**Disability Act Statement:** Texarkana College complies with all provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act and makes reasonable accommodations upon request. Please contact Larry Andrews at 903.823.3283, or go by the Recruitment, Advisement, and Retention Department located in the Administration building for personal assistance. If a student has an accommodation letter from the Recruitment, Advisement, and Retention Department indicating that he or she has a disability that requires academic accommodations, the student should present the letter to the instructor so accommodations can be made. It is best to request these changes at the beginning if not before the start of class so there is ample time to make the accommodations. LKHS Dual Credit students should present requests to the LKCISD Special Education Department.

**Financial Aid:** Attention! Dropping this class may affect your funding in a negative way! You could owe money to the college and/or federal government. Please check with the Financial Aid office before making a decision.



**Additional Class Policies:** There will be a zero tolerance policy for any behavior that is disruptive of classroom learning. This includes ANY use of offensive language or rude behavior toward the instructor or any other student in the class, inside or outside of the classroom, the TC Online forum, etc. Cell phones must be turned off and not visible in the class unless an emergency situation exists, which must be discussed with the instructor prior to class. If a student's cell phone rings or he/she is caught text-messaging in class, the student will receive a verbal warning and may be dropped from class after the next offense. If a student's phone is used or is visible during a test/quiz, the student will automatically receive a zero. Students are not allowed to use headphones or laptops during class without permission from the instructor. Cell phones for LKCISD students will be taken up and turned in to the office. Retrieval of the phones will be in accordance to the posted rules in the LKHS Student Handbook. Students should make arrangements with the instructor in advance if they need to leave class before dismissal. Students will lose points in their base groups for using cell phones, excessive or unfocused talking, sleeping (an absence), not paying attention, and not taking notes. Because of potential problems, be sure to plan ahead. For instance, the assignment may take longer to complete than planned, equipment may not work properly, there may either be a problem with the TC site or scheduled maintenance, students may have an unexpected situation arise, or students may be confused about the assignment, etc. Become familiar with TC Online and with computers, have ready access to a reliable computer with all necessary applications, and of course do the work in a timely manner.

**ABSENTEE POLICY:** Texarkana College's absentee policy allows instructors to withdraw a student from a course due to excessive absences. If a student leaves and returns during class or leaves the class before the class is over, he/she may be considered absent. Three tardies constitute one absence. It is the student's responsibility to check the syllabus for each instructor's tardy policy. In some workforce/vocational areas, such as nursing and cosmetology, certification requirements necessitate an absentee policy that is more stringent than the institutional policy. In these instances, the matter of certification takes precedence over local policies, since certification policies are established by the State of Texas. Faculty members are not obligated to provide opportunities for students to make-up missed assignments and tests as a result of a student's absence from class. The institution is not required to take attendance with the exception of workforce/vocational areas, where certification requirements require taking attendance. However, experience demonstrates that regular attendance enhances academic success. As such, students are expected to attend each meeting of their registered courses. A student should not stop attending a class without formally withdrawing from the course by the institutions published Last Day for Students to Drop. If a student stops attending class after the published Last Day for Students to Drop, the student may receive a grade of "F" in the class. The instructor will submit the last date of attendance for students receiving a grade of "F" or "W". Withdrawal from a course(s) may affect a student's current or future financial aid eligibility. Students should consult the Financial Aid Office to learn both short and long term consequences of a withdrawal.



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**EXCUSED ABSENCES:** A student's absence due to school trips and/or school business will not be counted against a student's allowable number of absences. Military duty and absences for Holy Days (FBD LEGAL) are covered in a separate section of the catalog and the student handbook. These are the only excused absences that are considered by Texarkana College. Responsibility for work missed for any absence is placed on the student. Instructors are required to allow students to make up work missed if the absence is due to military duty\* or religious holy days when students follow the correct notification procedures. Instructors are not required to allow students to make up work for absences due to other reasons. Make-up policies are listed in each individual instructor's syllabus.

\* **MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE ABSENCES:** After official registration, the following number of unexcused absences will be the maximum allowable before a student may be dropped from the class. Mandated program certification requirements detailed for certain programs regarding the maximum allowable unexcused absences takes precedence over the following information.

#### Academic Classes

<b>A COURSE THAT MEETS FOR THE FULL 16 WEEK SEMESTER</b>	
Class or Lab Meets:	An instructor may withdraw a student from a course if absences exceed:
Once a week (Night classes or Friday classes)	2
Twice a week (MW or TR classes)	4
Three times a week (MWF or TRF classes)	6
Four times a week (MTWR classes)	8
	Three tardies count as one absence

**NOTE: The above guidelines are subject to amendment by the instructor at any point during the semester. Revised 08/09/19**