

# **ENGLISH IV**

## **TEXT**

Various novels, selected readings, poetry, plays, short stories, and films

## **PREREQUISITES**

12<sup>th</sup> grade

## **OBJECTIVES**

The class is discussion and writing intensive and is designed to increase student's analytical and communication skills. Emphasis is on class discussion/participation and on the development of each individual student's writing skills.

## **CONTENT**

The class will focus on developing critical analysis, literacy analysis, formal and creative writing, research development and writing, vocabulary and advanced dictionary skills through a wide variety of literature, spanning multiple genre. Students will be exposed to both classic and contemporary literature and will gain an overall perspective of literature based on similarities and differences of each.

## **SKILLS**

- Critical thinking
- Literature analysis
- Vocabulary
- Advanced dictionary skills
- Five paragraph paper format
- Editing/Revising

## **METHODS**

The class is based on hands-on writing development. Outside reading and writing is assigned for each literacy subject.

## **HOMEWORK**

Homework mainly consists of outside reading and writing assignments.

## **GRADING/CREDITS**

Grade is based on participation, vocabulary tests, reading quizzes, writing assignments, and class presentations.

## **INDIVIDUALIZATION**

A variety of outside reading texts are used to accommodate individual reading abilities. The class is designed to access student improvement in terms of writing skills and thus different levels of writing ability can be accommodated.

## **ABSENCES/TARDIES**

Excessive tardies or absences will result in lower grade and/or loss of credit.