

ENGL 2341: Forms of Literature

3 hours: Forms of Literature (2341): An introductory course in which students explore the choices authors make in literary genre and craft.

In this version of English 2341, students will compose handmade responses to assigned poems and stories, explore the craft of poems and stories based upon specific exercises, compose a literary analysis essay, and take exams on literary terms.

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Texts

1. *The Oxford Book of American Short Stories* edited by Joyce Carol Oates. This is the second edition.
2. *Good Poems* edited by Garrison Keillor.
3. *Shambhala: The Sacred Path of the Warrior* by Chögyam Trungpa

Supplies

- Portfolio notebook with dividers for storing and organizing course work
- Pencil case for pens and colored pencils for handmade responses
- Notebook paper for taking notes and in-class writing
- Computer paper for handmade and written responses and for literary analysis essays

Contract Grading

List of Required Assignments

1. Initial Reading Portrait
 2. 10 Handmade and 10 Written Reading Responses
 3. 10 Poetry Exercises
 4. 8 Short Narrative Exercises
 5. 3 Poems
 6. 2 Short Narratives
 7. Midterm Literary Analysis Essay
 8. Midterm Exam
 9. Final Literary Analysis Essay
 10. Final Exam
- A. To receive an A in this class, you will have submitted all 10 items as they are due, fulfilled the minimum requirements of each, received an A on all of your literary analysis essays and exams, read at least 3 times from course text or original work, share one music lyric with class that demonstrates effective analogy, and have no more than five absences.
- B. To receive a B in this class, you will have submitted all 10 items as they are due, fulfilled the minimum requirements of each, received a B on two or more of your literary analysis essays and exams, share one music lyric with class that demonstrates effective analogy, and have no more than five absences.
- C. To receive a C in this class, you may have submitted all 10 items as they are due, fulfilled the minimum requirements of each, and received a C on two or more of your literary analysis essays or exams, or have no more than five absences.
- D. To receive a D in this class, you may have failed to submit a significant number of the 10 items as they are due, fulfilled the minimum requirements of each, and received a D on two or more of your literary analysis essays or exams, or have no more than six absences.
- F. To receive an F in this class, you will have failed to submit a significant number of the 10 items as they are due, failed to fulfill minimum requirements of each, and have more than six absences.

SOME OTHER ISSUES

Absences – Seven (7) absences will result in failure. If you must miss a class, contact a classmate to get the homework assignment for you or to turn in your work. Late work will not be accepted under any circumstances. I do not accept work via email. All assignments must be submitted to receive a passing grade. No incompletes will be given.

Personal Emergencies – Given my experience, I know that sometimes things fall apart. If you encounter a personal tragedy or some emotional distress that causes you to miss classes, get in touch with me as soon as you can. I don't need all of the details, but at least I'll know you haven't dropped the class or been eaten by a bear.

Academic Honesty - All work composed for this class must be written exclusively for this class and be your original work. You may of course receive assistance on your writing, but submitting someone else's work as your own or failing to acknowledge sources appropriately will be grounds for plagiarism. Violations of academic honesty and plagiarism will result in immediate failure of this class. You are responsible for understanding the Academic Honor Code, which is available on the web at http://www.angelo.edu/forms/pdf/Honor_Code.pdf.

Special Requirements: Persons with disabilities that may warrant academic accommodations must contact the Student Life Office, in order to request such accommodations prior to any being implemented. You are encouraged to make this request early in the semester so that appropriate arrangements can be made. For more information, see http://www.angelo.edu/services/student_life/disability.html.

Student Absence for Observance of Religious Holy Days

If you intend to be absent from class to observe a religious holy day, you should make that intention known in writing to me prior to the absence.

Tentative Schedule

Week	Monday	Wednesday	Friday
Week One	8/28	8/30	9/1
In-Class Reading		Trungpa 1	Trungpa 2
Class Topics	Introductions	Consciousness, Conscience, Conduct, and Confidence What Happens When We Read?	What Does the Reader Bring?
Reading Assignment			Keillor Chapter 1
Writing Assignment	Initial Reading Portrait and Diagnostic Exam	Academic Performance Agreement due	Imitation Poem Exercise Handmade Response 1
Week Two	9/4	9/6	9/8
In-Class Reading			Trungpa 3 and 4
Class Topics		What Does the Text Offer?	
Reading Assignment		Keillor Chapter 2	
Writing Assignment		Letter Poem Exercise Written Response 1	In-Class Writing
Week Three	9/11	9/13	9/15
In-Class Reading			Trungpa 5 and 6
Class Topics	What Responses Are Possible? Personal, Topical	What Responses Are Possible? Formal: Shape and Length	
Reading Assignment	Keillor Chapter 3	Keillor Chapter 4	
Writing Assignment	Recipe Poem Exercise Handmade Response 2	List Poem Exercise Written Response 2	In-Class Writing
Week Four	9/18	9/20	9/22
In-Class Reading			Trungpa 7 and 8
Class Topics	What Responses Are Possible? Formal: Repetition	What Responses Are Possible? Formal: Voice	
Reading Assignment	Keillor Chapter 5	Keillor Chapter 6	
Writing Assignment	Pantoum Exercise Handmade Response 3	Blank Verse Poem Exercise Written Response 3	In-Class Writing
Week Five	9/25	9/27	9/29
In-Class Reading			
Class Topics	What Responses Are Possible? Formal: Comparison	What Responses Are Possible? Formal: Contrast	
Reading Assignment	Keillor Chapter 7	Keillor Chapter 8 and 9	
Writing Assignment	Memory Map 1 Poem Exercise Handmade Response 4	Question/Answer Poem Exercise Written Response 4	
Week Six	10/2	10/4	10/6
In-Class Reading			Trungpa 9
Class Topics	What Responses Are Possible? Ethical	What Responsibilities Do We Have? Check with Self, Text, Others, and Resources	
Reading Assignment	Keillor Chapter 10	Keillor Chapter 11	
Writing Assignment	Memory Map 2 Poem Exercise Handmade Response 5	Dialogue Poem Exercise Written Response 5	In-Class Writing
Week Seven	10/9	10/11	10/13
In-Class Reading			Trungpa 10
Reading Assignment	Keillor Chapter 12	Keillor Chapter 17	
Writing Assignment	Confession Poem Exercise Handmade Response 6	Sonnet Exercise Written Response 6	In-Class Writing
Week Eight	10/16	10/18	10/20
In-Class Reading	Trungpa 11	Trungpa 12	Trungpa 13
Reading Assignment	Poetry Workshop	Poetry Workshop	
Writing Assignment	Midterm Literary Analysis and Exam Review	Midterm Literary Analysis and Exam Review	3 Poems Due, Midterm Literary Analysis Due, Midterm Exam

Week Nine	10/23	10/25	10/27
In-Class Reading			Trungpa 14
Reading Assignment	Diaz 856		
Writing Assignment	Handmade Response 7		In-Class Writing
Week Ten	10/30	11/1	11/3
In-Class Reading			Trungpa 15
Reading Assignment	Benedict 823	Jin 797	
Writing Assignment	Story 1 Exercise Written Response 7	Story 2 Exercise Handmade Response 8	In-Class Writing
Week Eleven	11/6	11/8	11/10
In-Class Reading			Trungpa 16
Reading Assignment	O'Brien 688	Wolff 671	
Writing Assignment	Story 3 Exercise Written Response 8	Story 4 Exercise Handmade Response 9	In-Class Writing
Week Twelve	11/13	11/15	11/17
In-Class Reading			Trungpa 17
Reading Assignment	Oates 619	Carver 610	
Writing Assignment	Story 5 Exercise Written Response 9	Story 6 Exercise Handmade Response 10	In-Class Writing
Week Thirteen	11/20	11/22	11/24
In-Class Reading			
Reading Assignment	Baldwin 482		
Writing Assignment	Story 7 Exercise Written Response 10		
Week Fourteen	11/27	11/29	12/1
In-Class Reading			Trungpa 18
Reading Assignment	Hemingway 353	Irving 15	
Writing Assignment	Story 8 Exercise Handmade Response 11	Story 9 Exercise Handmade Response 12	In-Class Writing
Week Fifteen	12/4	12/6	12/8
In-Class Reading	Trungpa 19	Trungpa 20	Trungpa 21
Reading Assignment	Final Literary Essay and Exam Review	Final Literary Essay and Exam Review	
Writing Assignment	Short Story Workshop	2 Short Stories Due	In-Class Writing
Week Sixteen	12/11	12/13	12/15
FINALS WEEK		9 am Final Literary Analysis and Final Exam	

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