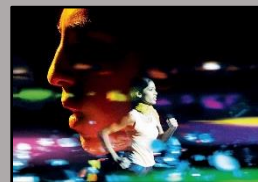




What Is Film & Literature?

Film Studies is a year-long college prep class that earns 10 credits towards the A-G requirements in English. The focus of this English class is to analyze literary elements and film techniques in order to write analytical responses, narratives, and argumentative essays on thematic ideas. This class covers the following units:

- **Film & Lit. Analysis.** Learn the basics of how to read a film through cinematography, film music, the symbolism of color, editing, and more. Also learn some of the history of motion pictures. Develop advanced writing skills through thematic elements such as ethics and morals and find meaningful comparisons between films and literature.
- **Multicultural Focus.** Examine different cultures within the U.S. as well as internationally as they are expressed through films and literature. Research and report on what impacts current social issues have on specific cultures today.
- **Narrative.** Through film and literature, discover diverse stories from real people. Learn to write your own personal narrative to convey important life messages. These narrative skills are also designed to help improve your own college essays and employment applications.
- **Argumentative.** Delve into the current issues of social media, pop culture, and consumerism through film and literature. Focus on rhetoric found in documentaries that advocate change. Students will write their own claim, supported by research and rhetoric, that deals with the impacts these issues have on our current society.

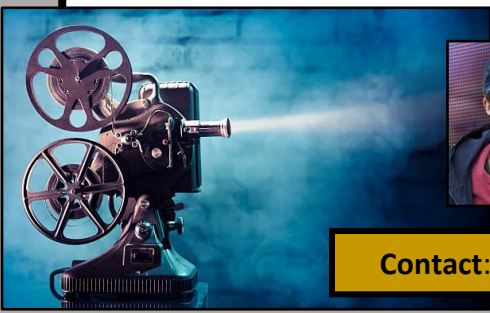


What Work Is Expected?

Students will watch films and analyze them during class as well as outside of class, therefore it is expected that students budget time outside of this class with understanding that part of their homework is to watch films on their own (this is similar to the expectation of reading literature at home for English classes). The workload will be similar to that of a 12th grade Contemporary Literature class, with about 30-45 minutes of homework per class. The majority of assignments will be weekly written analysis, research reports, a narrative story, and argumentative essay.

Who can take Film & Literature?

- This is a senior class open to 12th grade students only.
- Students who want to earn college prep credit.



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