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| English IV Course |

Syllabus for English IV- British Literature

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**Tutoring Schedule**: Monday and Wednesday afternoons from 2:55 – 3:25

First Semester

**1st Nine Weeks**

Unit 1: Building a Literacy Community

Unit 2: Author’s Craft: Literary Structures

**2nd Nine Weeks**

Unit 2: Continued

Unit 3: Author’s Craft: Informational Text, Analysis, and Inquiry

Second Semester

**3rd Nine Weeks**

Unit 4: Argumentative Texts and Inquiry

Unit 4: Continued

**4th Nine Weeks**

Unit 5: Independent Reading

Unit 6: Independent Writing

**Overview**

**English IV**

(General outline; may be adjusted to reflect student needs)

**First nine weeks: Anglo-Saxon and the Middle Ages**

**Learning Focus**: A study of epics across Cultures; Passion, Power and Limitations in Literature of the Anglo-Saxon and Middle Ages time period.

**Genre focus**: Epics

**Skill focus**: analyze archetypes, epic structures, and the writing process

**Writing focus**: College essay and expository essay

**Literary works to be read**: “Beowulf”, and “The Canterbury Tales”

**Second nine weeks: Shakespearean Tragedy**

**Learning Focus**: Society and Change in Literature of the Restoration and Enlightenment Periods

**Skill focus**: Analyze argumentation and organization of writing; sentence fluency

**Writing focus**: Expository essay

**Literary works to be read**: Poetry; Shakespeare’s Macbeth or Othello

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**Third nine weeks: Late Renaissance/Restoration/Eighteenth Century**

**Learning focus**: Truth and Imagination in Literature of the Renaissance Era

**Skill focus**: rhetorical devices/identifying types of satire

**Writing focus:** Research paper or Persuasive essay

**Literary works to be read**: Satirical themes: A Modest Proposal

**Fourth Nine Weeks: Romantic/Victorian Literature**

**Learning focus**: Societal and Personal Values in the Literature of the Victorian Era

**Skill focus:** analyzing poetry

**Writing focus**: Analytical essay

**Literary work to be read**: poetry; novel study; literature circle