

ENGLISH

Course Name	9	10	11	12
Reading	R/E			
English 9	R			
English 9*				
English 10		R		
English 10*				
English 11			R	
AP English Language & Composition*			E	E
AP Literature & Composition*			E	E
Composition				R
Advanced Composition*				R
Literature				R
Advanced Literature*				R
Creative Writing			E	E
Youth Apprenticeship			E	E
E = Elective Course R= Required Course * = Honors Course				

Reading

1.0 Credit: Yearlong

Prerequisite: Placement by BFHS

This course is an individualized program of supportive instruction designed to meet the needs of students who experience reading problems. One of the goals of the course is to build skills necessary for success at the high school level and beyond. The course integrates the teaching and reinforcement of essential reading, writing and study strategies. Each day, students work on a variety of activities to help improve reading skills. The course is designed to move students toward independence in reading and to prepare students to succeed in the various English courses offered by BFHS.

English 9

1.0 Credit: Yearlong

Prerequisite: Placement by BFHS

The class focuses on the skills students will need to succeed in high school and beyond. Reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills will be studied in depth. Students will be required to read and analyze novels, short stories, nonfiction essays, and poems both in writing and speech. The writing process will be the focus in the class along with the study of grammar.

English 9 - Honors

1.0 Credit: Yearlong

Prerequisite: Placement by BFHS

English 9 is for college-bound students and is an extension of the English 9 class. Students who are advanced in reading, writing, comprehension and study skills will benefit from taking this class. This class studies similar concepts and skills as the English 9 class but further explores literary elements and analysis. The writing process will be a focus in the class, along with the study of grammar usage and mechanics.

English 10

1.0 Credit: Yearlong

Prerequisite: Successful completion of English 9

The class explores the realms of fiction, nonfiction, short stories, novels, poetry, and drama while connecting the literary themes with the real world. Students will see the relevance of literature and the impact it has on society through a number of different mediums. Along with literature, there will be a variety of essays, speeches, and projects related to the material covered in class. The writing process will be a focus in the class, along with proper public speaking skills.

English 10 - Honors

1.0 Credit: Yearlong

Prerequisite: Successful completion of English 9 AND Teacher Recommendation

This course is for students who are looking for a challenge beyond English 10. Students are required to write a number of essays, including but not limited to compare and contrast, personal narrative, analytical and persuasive. It will explore the realms of fiction, nonfiction, short stories, novels, poetry, and drama while connecting the literary themes with the real world. Students will see the relevance of literature and the impact it has on society through a number of different mediums. Along with literature, there will be a variety of essays, speeches, and projects related to the material covered in the class. The writing process will be a focus in the class, along with proper public speaking skills.

English 11

1.0 Credit: Yearlong

Prerequisite: Successful completion of English 10 or English 10 Honors

This class focuses on literature that is uniquely American. The class will follow American literature chronologically through history, creating connections between the literature and the important historical events that helped shape our country. English 11 will cover a wide array of literary movements, including but not limited to Realism, Romanticism, Transcendentalism, the Harlem Renaissance, and Modernism. Students will read fiction, nonfiction, poetry, and drama relevant to American literature and write papers, create projects and have in class discussions based on the materials presented in the classroom. The course includes the study of formal research.

AP English Language and Composition – Honors

1.0 Credit: Yearlong

Prerequisite: Successful completion of English 10 or English 10 Honors AND Teacher Recommendation

Students will demonstrate theory and mastery skills through different writing styles such as rhetoric, argumentative and synthesis. Students are expected to complete a high-level argumentative research paper with research conducted at UW-Whitewater. Compositions are evaluated on a nine-point scale of competency developed by the American College Board for the AP Composition course. Students will master the skills and ideas of rhetoric. Students will practice and master the MLA & APA format used in many colleges and universities. Students will continually write compositions, practice for the AP test and read literary and nonliterary work throughout the year. Parental awareness is needed due to the class's rigorous time demands. This course also prepares students who do all the coursework for the Advanced Placement Language and Composition Exam administered each May.

AP English Literature and Composition – Honors

1.0 Credit: Yearlong

Prerequisite: Successful completion of English 10 or English 10 Honors AND Teacher Recommendation

This advanced literature course will engage students in careful reading and analysis of a challenging set of literary works from a range of genres including the novel, short story, poetry, and drama. The focus of the course will be on intensive reading and discussion of the literature, as well as introducing secondary critical essays for discussion and evaluation. Emphasis will be placed on thoughtful and cogent analysis of the readings using a variety of theoretical frameworks and devices. The course is intended to provide students with an academic experience parallel to that of a college-level literature course. This course will also include a writing component that focuses on expository, analytical and argumentative writing about the literature through both discussions and essay format. This course also prepares students who do all the coursework for the Advanced Placement Literature and Composition Exam administered each May.

Creative Writing

0.5 Credit: Semester

Prerequisite: English 10

Students will study and create various literary works, including short stories, multiple poems of different formats, historical fiction, narrative fiction, character sketches, descriptive writing and longer prose works. Students are expected to meet deadlines and to both give and receive constructive criticism during workshop sessions. Areas in conventions (spelling, grammar and usage, and punctuation) will be remediated as necessary

English 12 Options:

COMPOSITION COURSES: Students must take one composition courses to fulfill 0.5 credit of English 12

Composition

0.5 Credit: Semester

Prerequisite: Successful completion of English 10 & 11

It is strongly recommended that any student planning to enter the workforce, military, attend a 2-year or 4-year college take this course as it is designed to prepare students to be successful with communicating in the workplace and college environments. This course challenges students to improve their written and oral communication skills while strengthening composition skills. Students broaden their composition skills by examining model essays in various genres by the student and published writers. Through in-depth planning, organizing, drafting, revising, proofreading, and feedback, they hone their writing skills. Students build on their grammar, usage, and mechanics skills with in-depth of sentence analysis and structure, agreement, and punctuation reinforced by online activities. Student vocabularies are enhanced through the study of Greek and Latin root words, improving students' ability to decipher the meanings of new words.

Advanced Composition - Honors

0.5 Credit: Semester

Prerequisite: Successful completion of English 10 & 11

It is strongly recommended that any student planning to attend a 4-year college take this course as it is designed to prepare students for college-level writing. A heavy emphasis is placed on research, writing and mastery of grammar usage, and mechanics. Students are expected to work on multiple writing assignments simultaneously. To prepare students for writing beyond high school, the course may include research conducted at UW-Whitewater's Andersen Library.

LITERATURE COURSES: Students must take one literature courses to fulfill 0.5 credit of English 12

Literature

0.5 Credit: Semester

Prerequisite: Successful completion of English 10 & 11

It is strongly recommended that any student planning to enter the workforce, military, attend a 2-year or 4-year college take this course as it is designed to prepare students to be successful with communicating in the workplace and college environments. Students will read and study a variety of works such as novels, short stories, poetry, and plays. The readings will cover a broad spectrum of genres and authors. Specific writing assignments will include analytical compositions. Study of grammar and usage will supplement writing assignments. Formal writing will be word processed.

Advanced Literature - Honors

0.5 Credit: Semester

Prerequisite: Successful completion of English 10 & 11

It is strongly recommended that any student planning to attend a 4-year college take this course as it is designed to prepare students for college-level reading and analysis. Students will demonstrate mastery skills by exploring the concepts of human nature, and examine the realm of humans through what is right and what is wrong. Literary and non-literary texts from American and world literature are used to augment the overall focus and intent. Students will also connect to the concepts in literature through a variety of higher-thinking essays and speeches.