

## ENG 2DI

SEMESTER II 2010

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(If you ain't think'n...you're sink'n!!!)

### Course Description:

In English 2DI, students will analyze a variety of written, oral and visual texts with the intent to encourage analysis and response through written and oral work. In addition, this course will enable students to become stronger writers, focusing specifically on perfecting the literary essay. Finally, it is a key aim that all English 2DI students will develop a lifelong love of reading, writing and reflecting.

### Course Content:

**Short Stories**- a closer look at different types of short fiction, with a specific emphasis on the theme of finding our way in society. The course will deal with a number of genres, in addition to introducing students to multicultural writers. We will view a movie for part of this unit.

**Novel**- Our study will take us into the world of *To Kill a Mockingbird*, a classic coming of age novel that brings students closer to the issues of racism and growing up. Students will read the novel independently and complete a literary essay on a topic linked to the novel.

**Twelfth Night**- One of Shakespeare's great comedies, *Twelfth Night* allows ample opportunity to begin to learn about Shakespeare's words and stories. We will read the play as a class.

**Independent Study**- An information package will follow the Independent Study will require reading a novel acceptable to the teacher, as well as completing written work on the text.

### Course Evaluation:

Major Evaluations- 50% (Essays, Group Presentations, Unit Tests, Research Skills, and Creative Tasks)

Class Work- 20% (Quizzes, Homework Checks, Formative Tasks)

Summative Evaluations- 30% (ISU 10% and Final Exam 20%)

In order to be more environmentally friendly, all assignments and handouts will be posted electronically. Students can go to <http://dowhaniuksenglish.weebly.com/> to view all the information she/he will need for the course. These will also be reviewed in class. All of the posted materials can be printed by the student if she/he so chooses.

## **Student Responsibilities:**

**1. Attendance/Punctuality:** As students, the responsibility for being in class on time and every day falls into your hands. If late, you must sign in with your reason as soon as you arrive at class. Excessive absences will be dealt with by the office and, in some circumstances; a student could be removed from the course. I will phone with any concerns. If a student misses a class; he or she should see Mr. Dowhaniuk before 8:15 AM the day he or she returns to school to find out what material has been missed during the absence.

**2. Deadlines:** All work that is NOT submitted on time will face the English department's late policy of a 10% deduction per day to a maximum of 20%. Once an assignment has been marked and returned, any students who have not submitted their work will receive zero. Generally, marking will be completed within one to three weeks. Students are responsible for carefully managing their own time!! **If a student has some sort of difficulty completing an assignment (computer failure, printer problems, etc.) it is up to the student to produce evidence that the work is completed)**

**3. Plagiarism:** Be sure to recognize the work of others in your own research and writing. A project that has been copied from another student or which shows signs of copying words/ideas of other writers will receive a zero and will be referred to the office.

**4. Extra Help:** I teach during Periods A, D and E. I am available during period and lunch for extra help. It is up to the student to make arrangements for extra help!!! If these times are not convenient then see me and we'll set up another time, which we can both agree upon. I can also be reach by calling the school and leaving a message at extension # 5250

We will discuss other student responsibilities together.

Looking forward to a fantastic semester!!!

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