

English 12 Course Outline

In this online course, students will learn how language can be used to communicate nonliteral meanings in fiction and poetry, and how stories, novels and poems are put together. Students will write paragraph-form and multiparagraph compositions and formal essays, and will learn the basic process of nonfiction research in preparation for their college programs.

Required resources

The student must have regular and reliable access to a computer with an Internet connection. There is no textbook required for the course. All assignment instructions, lessons, readings and other documents, as well as links to Internet resources, are provided on the course website. The prescribed learning outcomes are listed in the course, and can also be found at the Ministry of Education's website: (<http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/irp/plo.php>).

Assessment Strategies

There are ten assignments and two tests. Assignments may be submitted from home or school, but the tests are written at school. Students will write tests at Columbia Square Learning Centre; NWSS students may also write tests in Room 187 at New Westminster Secondary School.

In this course, the student learns through a process of writing and rewriting responses. For each assignment, the student submits a response, the teacher replies with advice for improvement, the student resubmits, teacher replies with further advice, and so on, until the student's response meets expectations for organization, content and use of language.

Students may rewrite their assignment responses for higher scores until they write the final test, which ends the course.

Students are expected to read the PDF files available under Course Information, which include detailed information on assignments and tests, criteria and expectations, prescribed learning outcomes, and other matters. Performance standards for some courses may be found at the Ministry of Education's website: (https://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/perf_stands/).

This is a 4-credit course, which the student should expect to complete in 90 to 120 hours.

Contact

Your teacher for this course is Glenn Bullard. Please email him at gbullard@sd40.bc.ca with any questions or concerns about assignments and tests, or suggestions for improving the course.