

I have a question or comment that doesn't fit the categories in the introduction.

What sort of plays will we be seeing this year?

Is attendance going to be an issue if I miss a class here and there?

Will the 7 to 8 hours a week be more flexible or will it be more of a constant 7 to 8 hours?

I am very excited to go see plays and actually going out and learn visually, instead of the typical sit in the classroom and read. It is exciting, something different and new.

I would love to see a play or musical. If we are actually going to see one that would be fantastic.

are we going to be able to pick the plays that we are going to watch?

I was just wondering, more out of curiosity, what kind of theater performances we might be seeing, if that is something we do this year?

Concerning the learning journals, should we have a separate booklet to pass in at the end of the semester? and what does a learning journal look like in terms of detailing our progress?, should we attach dates and so forth?

Will much of our class work require moodle? I've been having a lot of trouble with it...

are we going to be writing a big essay ?

In the Introduction document you mentioned that we will be reading one another's work. Will this happen a lot? What happens if someones not comfortable sharing their work with their peers? Will marks be lost if you rather not have your work read by someone else?

Does anybody have a recommendation for a good book? I'm mainly into Stephen King, Michael Crichton, and any science fiction. I just finished The Green Mile series of books, and I strongly recommend those.

For assignments, is there an minimum and a maximum on how long it's supposed to be?

Will there be any presentations or group projects?

Do we have a midterm? If so when is it?

Does this course lean more towards discussing one's own opinion on topics or studying and regurgitating information?

In the introduction you stated that we may need to buy tickets to plays. Do you have any idea what plays you're thinking of? Or are you just going to decide as the option comes available. Also i think that is a great idea.

How much will I have to work?

How many hours per day should we study for this course in order to achieve good marks?

Roughly how many novels should we be expecting to read this class? Will we be expected to do any book talks?

will we have class discussions ? will there be a lot of homework outside of classes? will there be a chance to work in class and be able to discuss it with the class?

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will the work we do be mostly done in the classroom or independent work ? do we analyze a lot of poems ? or will we be reading a lot of books/texts ?

Is the majority of the work done in this class reading and analyzing or is it mostly written things?

I was just wondering if the majority of class will be discussion based or will it be a mixture of discussion and reading and writing as well? I have heard multiple people tell me that most English Lit classes first year are more discussion based.

Around 7 or 8 hours of "learning time", class time included, to do well in class.

I am on the varsity volleyball team, and so, may at some point need to miss a class or two for travel reasons. Is there any way that I will be able to get a hold of the work covered in class during the classes I miss?

Courses at STU are designed to have 150 minutes of class time each week for any given course. It's expected that in this class we'll spend about 7-8 "learning hours" on it each week. Which is about 1/5 of the average full time work week.

If I pay attention during class and use my class time wisely will I have to complete a lot of work outside of the classroom?

Will we have a lot of essays to write? Will our midterm be an essay?

this does seem like a lot of work, but.. I guess that's university. I should learn to love it.

Is there much actual work, as in writing texts? Or is the majority reading?

What will I actually be doing in class, and between classes, from day to day?

Are we going to have lots of group work and presentations?

Should we expect to be doing the majority of our readings outside of class? If so how many hours?

Will we be required to present work in front of the class?

are we going to do plays? if so are they going to be written by someone else than Shakespeare ?

I wasn't sure exactly where to post this but I was wondering if you could explain the "learning journal" in more detail? I understand the gist of it but I'd like to have a clear understanding before I begin writing it.

Will the majority of the work done in this class be done individually or in groups?

Will a lot of work be done sitting in class? If I remember correctly, you mentioned something about libraries, cafeteria, that sort of thing being done during class time.

In the introduction, reading, library time, and online work are all listed as ways we would do assignments. I was wondering, though, what kinds of texts will we be writing for evaluation?

will there be more than average amounts of papers to write sense it is a literature class

Do we get to do a lot of creative writing in this class? Or any at all?

Will we be covering Shakespeare in this class?

Will we be doing any type of daily journals? Also, how much material will we be covering in any textbooks we need?

in class and between classes we will most likely be doing a lot of reading, analyzing and writing.

Will we be doing most of our reading in class or during our own time?

Do you plan on having much group work? Or generally individual?

What are the textbooks?

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I can't wait to see what books we will be reading this year.

I'm just curious as to what we will be reading, and if we need to buy books for this class or if we can reach the books or articles we need online.

I have a question with regards to the plays. Will we have to miss any of our other classes? Also will they be on days we have class or a different day such as the weekend?

will there be a time where we need to choose something to read or are you going to decide on all the books or others things we are going to read?

If I have a book that I really like it, can I use it for this class?

Roughly, what is the costs of the textbook(s) we will be using?

I've read and understand that we will be buying a book or two, but around how many plays will we have to attend?

how many books will we be reading?

if there are no actual textbooks what types of pieces of writing are we going to be recommended to read?

How much money should I put aside for the novels we will be reading?

Are the books we read for class going to be our choice or will we all be reading the same ones?

Will we have any designated textbooks or novels to read over the semester?

There aren't any specific books. We'll be reading texts and other forms of written material.

Are we as a class going to decide on the books we read? Or are you going to decide after a few classes what you think will be the best books for the class to read?

About the novels we might have to buy, are we allowed to rent them from a library instead if we can find a copy? Also, what kinds of theatre performances might we go see? I'm a bit of a Drama nerd, and reading that got me pretty excited.

Will we be needing a lot of novels for the class

Exactly the question I would like. Which textbooks do I need for this course?

There is no "textbook" in a sense. We're assigned "texts" which range from Magazine articles to specific characters from books. We'll also spend a lot of time reading written materials by members of the class. This enables us to experience a larger variety of writing styles and uses of the English language.

What books will we be needing for this course?

How much money should we be putting aside for tickets/books to purchase?

I like the idea of attending plays, but I also enjoy learning from a textbook.

Is there going to be any novels we will have to buy for class ?

What books/book are required for the course? Will i need the latest edition?

How much money will we be putting towards the tickets/books you'd like us to purchase?

I'm excited to see what books we are going to read. Do you have any idea what they may be? Like a genre or style? Or is it all really pretty open to anything?

How will I be evaluated?

I'm also unsure about whether or not there will be a final exam, but I do think I'm really going to enjoy the way this class is taught differently than most.

I am rather confused on whether there will be an exam for this course, I have heard from some there is while from others I have heard there isn't.

I will work to the best of abilities.

Will there be a mid term and how many Essays are we expected to write?

Were you serious when you said you didn't believe in exams?

When we will be writing a paper is there a certain style of writing you want us to do ?

Does attendance influence our mark? or will we be able to find most of the things necessary on Moodle?

I've read it and still a bit confused on whether or not we will be having a midterm or exam in this class

Should we expect a low grade on our first assignment?

I read the introduction and I am still unsure about whether or not there is a final exam. From what I understood from the introduction, is that there are several tests but I see nothing about an exam.

Does this class heavily rely on the correct way we write our papers (style, grammar, sourcing, etc), or are we evaluated by our thoughts and ideas on a certain topic? I guess I am asking which do you take more from, marking wise.

I will do my best to get the best mark possible.

I've read the introduction paper many times, and I am still confused as to whether or not there will be a final exam? Also, it says we will be evaluated, but will we have any tests of some sort?

My understanding is that we won't be graded on our writing, but evaluated. Does that still mean we will get feedback to know what we should be working on to improve our writing?

How often will there be tests and/or assignments?

I'm not too sure on how I'm supposed to get my marks when I'm not being evaluated on the work that I pass in, but just on the amount of work that I do. Also, what are we supposed to write in these "Learning Journals" to show you that we are learning?

I definitely am the kind of person who has been able to do well in her academic career because she figured out how to play the teacher game and conformed to their preferred style of writing and presenting. Obviously this class is going to be pretty different from that, which is intimidating. How do you communicate that you're learning without that sort of structure?

Will papers and such be evaluated on the classic model of being out of 6? I have always had trouble with

this model, have always ended up in the 4 - 5 range.

How much of the work that we will be doing will get evaluated

Do you have a kind of marking rubric that will be showed to the class?

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The C-B way.

ter reading the introduction you've written about this class, I understand basically how we will be evaluated. I also understand your stand on grammar and such, but will too many grammar mistakes and tings like that have an effect on your final mark on an assignment?

What does St. Thomas mean when it calls this "a first year English course"?

does it mean will we learn about the different types of writhing ?

This course will help me to improve my second language skills, English.

A first year English course is a course where the students learn how the language works, written and oral, and how to get a better use of it. This class focuses on independent reading and writing and exploration, and a much bigger variety of reading material and writing tasks.

I have taken a first year English class before and feel like I know what to expect from this course. This question, however, makes me believe that maybe St. Thomas is different from other institutions, is this true? If so, how is it different?

The STU English department has a statement of goals that shapes the first year English course. These goals cover a number of things but the main point of first year English is to give us a better appreciation for written language, while arming us with the knowledge of how to use it more effectively.

I'm assuming we're just learning the basics to different methods of reading and writing and not complex forms like further years cover?

it means that they don't expect us to have a full on knowledge of how to write or analyze texts in English but to have a basic knowledge of the language. the rest is for the teacher to teach us.

Is this "first year English course" similar to a standard High School English Course?

Is the first year course considered harder than an advanced English class in high school?

It means that this course is required before taking any other courses, so it is like the first step in furthering your english education. It also gives you a basic understanding of everything before you narrow in on one subject and are given more difficult course material.

What is to be expected in a first year English course? Is there a heavy workload?

I find your approach to the class very unique and I like it a lot.

How can I contact you?

Okay so YOU can contact me at hkylp@stu.ca or my personal email that I signed up with for moodle (keyairagraben@hotmail.com). I was also wondering what would be preferable, emailing or calling you?

Would email be the best way?

if I need to talk to you and your office hours are over can we arrange something else?

by email.

What time at night would be considered too late to email you?

would email be the fastest way to contact you?

What type of communications do you frequently check? Email? Phone message?

How often do you check emails?

How often do you check emails?

By email please

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Would you prefer that I contact you during your office hours, or by e-mail?

hjkcc@stu.ca or catherinesmith9@yahoo.ca if the school one doesn't work.

Do you check your email frequently? And if I were to email you, how long do you think I would have to wait for a reply?