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# ENG 1002G-042-053-058: Composition and Literature

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## Syllabus, English 1002G

Spring Semester, 2009

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Office Hours: 3:30-5:00 TR or apptmt.

### Catalog Description of Course

A writing course designed to improve skills in critical thinking and analytical expression based on the reading of literary texts. Prerequisite: English 1001C.

### Books & Materials

The books you received from the Textbook Library, and online documents TBA.

### Attendance

Attendance for the first three weeks of class is mandatory. Afterwards, there is no attendance policy and I will not take roll. Your grade (see below) will be based on two papers and two tests--each worth a fourth of your grade. I imagine that it would be possible to do well on the papers without ever coming to class. The tests, however, will be essay tests based solely on our class discussions; if you have missed classes, I can't imagine you will do very well on them. See also "Discussions and Reading," below.

### Discussions and Reading

Every day we will discuss the assigned reading--and I will formulate the essay questions for the mid-term and final on the basis of our discussions. Occasionally I will lecture, but discussion will be the norm. Therefore I will expect you to come to class prepared; if you haven't read the assignment and aren't prepared to discuss it, I may ask you to leave. Nothing creates a bigger impediment to class discussions than unprepared students. I will also expect you to bring a printed and marked up copy of the day's reading assignment. Your marks should include indications of anything you need help understanding, passages that triggered your interest, and passages that address any reading questions I have given you. If you do not have the text with you when you come to class--or if your text is not marked up--I may ask you to leave.

### Late Work

I will not accept late work, unless we have made a previous arrangement.

### Plagiarism

I won't tolerate plagiarism.

### Students with Disabilities

If you have a documented disability and wish to receive academic accommodations, please notify me and contact the Coordinator of the Office of Disability Services (581-6583) as soon as possible.

**E-Mail**

You are welcome to send me e-mail, at the address above. Since I receive so much e-mail, however, you are required to put your full name and an appropriate subject phrase in the message's subject line. I do not guarantee I will read your e-mail otherwise. It would be smart to keep a copy of every e-mail you send me--by putting your own address in the "cc" line, or some other means.

**Grading**

Your grade for the course will be based on the 100 points below. 90 to 100 points will receive an A, 80 to 89 will receive a B, 70 to 79 will receive a C, and 0 to 69 will receive an NC (No Credit).

Paper 1: 25 points  
Mid-Term: 25 points  
Paper 2: 25 points  
Final: 25 points

The details of these assignments will be posted online and discussed in class.

**Grading of Written Material**

I will follow the grading standards suggested by Eastern's English Department.