

Course Description

For many hundreds of years, literature has been one of the most important human art forms. It allows us to give voice to our emotions, create imaginary worlds, express ideas, and escape the confines of material reality. Through creative writing, we can come to better understand ourselves and our world. This course will provide students with a solid grounding in the writing process, from finding inspiration to building a basic story. Then, students will learn more complicated literary techniques to create strange hybrid forms of poetry and prose. By the end of this course, students will be able to better discover their creative thoughts and turn those ideas into fully realized pieces of creative writing.

This is a 1 semester course consisting of 8 units. Upon successful completion students will receive 0.5 credit towards high school graduation.

Course Overview

- Starting the Path to Creative Writing
- Finding Your Creative Light
- Fiction First
- A Fictional Place
- Speech in Writing
- When Truth Meets Imagination
- Finding Your Inner Poet
- Revision and Purpose

Required Course Materials

Please access the list of course materials from the OC Online book ordering system and order your materials as soon as possible. Oftentimes, course materials are on back order and you may experience a delay in receiving them, causing students to fall behind in their online coursework. When ordering used or rented materials, be careful that online access codes are also current.

Methods of Evaluation

Students will demonstrate mastery through the following formative and summative assessments:

- 40% Assignments
- 10% Participation (Discussion Posts, Synchronous Sessions)
- 10% Quizzes
- 25% Midterm & Final Exam
- 15% Tests