

<u>COURSE NAME</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
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**English I**

This freshman-level Language Arts class will focus on students' reading, writing, and critical thinking skills. Students will be reading and writing about a wide selection of texts, learning the rules and structures of language, and establishing a strong foundation for critical thinking.

*Prerequisites: None*

*Graduation Credits: 1*

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**English II  
(Required)**

English II is a sophomore level class that focuses on the comprehensive study of the English language. Students will work equally in the areas of grammar, writing, and Literature.

*Prerequisites: English I recommended*

*Graduation Credits: 1*

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**English III**

English III is a junior level class that introduces classic and contemporary American short stories and novels. Students will gain an in-depth knowledge through discussion and written responses focused on themes concerning various types of reading assignments.

*Prerequisites: English I, English II recommended*

*Graduation Credits: 1*

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**English IV  
(Elective)**

This is a senior level course and is offered in conjunction with Missouri Western's dual credit program. Upon completion, the student will gain high school credit as well as three hours of college credit. Students will explore various writing techniques, intervention strategies, sentence structuring and process writing. Students will be required to write a number of papers, both short and long as well as two research papers.

*Prerequisites: English I, English II, English III, ACT score of 19 in English subcategory*

*Graduation Credits: 1*

*College Credit Hours: 3*

**British Literature  
(Elective)**

This course is a study of the development of texts and writings from Great Britain beginning with the Dark Ages to modern age. Students will study Merlin and King Arthur and analyze the coming of Christianity and its effect on the historical process of a country. Students will follow the development of Britain and study the change brought on by war between monarchies and other nations.

*Prerequisites: English I, English II*

*Graduation Credit: 1/2*

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**Creative Writing  
(Elective)** This course will focus on the art of writing creatively. Throughout the semester students will write poetry, short stories, and children's literature. Students will also have to opportunity to attempt to publish their work and blog the assignments they complete.

*Prerequisites: English I, English II*  
*Graduation Credit: 1/2*

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**Novels  
(Elective)** This elective class will focus on students' reading, writing, and critical thinking skills. Students will be reading and writing about a wide selection of texts, learning the rules and structures of language, and establishing a strong foundation for critical thinking.

*Prerequisites: English I, English II*  
*Graduation Credits: 1/2*

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**Scripts  
(Elective)** This elective class focuses on students' analyzing, interpreting, and critical thinking skills by using film. Students will be viewing, researching, and writing about a wide selection of films and other similar media.

*Prerequisites: English I, English II*  
*Graduation Credits: 1/2*