

READINESS PROFILE & COURSE EXPECTATIONS

Writing Seminar 1-2

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Writing Seminar 1-2 is a creative writing course for 11th or 12th graders that emphasizes poetry, prose, personal narrative and creative non-fiction. Students will explore published works in those genres and will work on developing their own voices as writers. Students will study the craft of writers and incorporate their learnings into their own works. This course may be used to meet the UC/CSU "G" requirement. Though this course does count toward the PUSD graduation requirement for English it does NOT meet the UC/CSU "B" requirement.

COURSE CONTENT AND EXPECTATIONS

In this class students will write creatively and independently. They will write in a breadth of genres and will choose their primary genre to study and explore. Students will average a page of writing completed for every class period (at least 90 pages of poetry or prose in the course). Students will be expected to immerse themselves in creative writing and become part of a writing group as readers, writers and discussers.

MAJOR UNITS OF STUDY

Poetry

Prose

Narrative

Active voice

Audience

Publishing opportunities

STUDENT BACKGROUND

Students entering Writing Seminar should have an interest in creative writing and a desire and willingness to explore their own writing voice.

Suggested preparatory courses: Any English courses.

Please see syllabus for additional course rules and information