

Advanced Placement English Language and Composition
Mrs. Krieger | 2014 -15

AP Language is an accelerated English course that is similar in content and expectation to a college rhetoric and composition course. This year you will learn about: grammar, rhetoric, argument, debate, college-level vocabulary, analytical thinking, and close reading. You will also write—constantly.

Each marking period will feature one major project along with a series of smaller and varied assignments. Point values for assignments will be made clear when assignments are given out.

- MP1 – The Creativity Portfolio
- MP2 – The Great Rhetoric Project
- MP3 – TBD (The Standard Research Paper or comparable project)
- MP4 – The 20% Project

You will also be expected to read both fiction and non-fiction texts. Some of these texts will be of your choosing while some of these texts will be class assignments. Potential class texts: *Zeitoun*, *Macbeth*, *The Tragedy of Julius Caesar*, *1984*, *The Things They Carried*, *The Catcher in the Rye*, and *The Scarlet Letter*. We will also study a variety of essays, articles, poems, and short stories.

Late Work: Generally speaking, late work will not be accepted. Under certain circumstances, late work will be accepted for no more than half credit. Excused absences are an exception to the late policy. However, this is an AP class so you need to do your best to keep up-to-date even when you are absent. **Any makeup work or delayed quizzes are your responsibility. If you fail to make up work, then you will receive no credit for that work.**

Important Note Regarding Athletics and Activities: I know that many of you have packed schedules. If you are going to miss class because of a school event, away game or similar activity, then it is your responsibility to see me before your absence. School activities do not excuse you from due dates. So, for example, if an assignment is due on a Tuesday, but you will be missing my class because of a game, then you must turn in that assignment earlier in the day. If you do not turn it in, then you will receive no credit. It is also your responsibility to speak to a classmate about any lessons or notes covered in class. You can also find assignments on www.kriegerland.net.