

Chelsea Tutorials

2020 - 2021

Advanced Writing and Southern Literature (11th through 12th grade)

THIS CLASS HAS MANDATORY SUMMER READING AND A WINTER BREAK ASSIGNMENT. PLEASE BE AWARE OF THIS BEFORE YOU ENROLL YOUR STUDENT.

YOU MUST SUBMIT A WRITING SAMPLE AND HAVE A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE INSTRUCTOR TO ENROLL IN THIS CLASS.

Course Description: The South has a rich literary history, and the theme for this course is “The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly.” In this course, students will study classic Southern literature with **mature themes. Racism, treatment of women, and abuse are just a few concepts that permeate Southern literature** and will be discussed in the classroom from the perspective of the author, time period, and draw the students back to the Biblical Worldview of the subject. Paragraphs, essays, and research papers will be written on the assigned readings. Outside reading, writing, research, and sharing of papers will be required each week. Students will be required to conduct a year-long study of a Southern theme/author and write a well-researched thesis (8-10 pages) on their chosen topic (due second semester).

Internet access for research, an email address to communicate with the instructor, and Google Drive account is required to share information and papers between the instructor and students. Students must have access at home to a computer/laptop/iPad and the internet for this class. Students are required to bring a laptop/iPad to class. Assignments and grades will be accessed through Edmodo

Instructor: Mrs. Beth Moore. Mrs. Moore holds a B.A. in English from Samford University with a minor in history. She has an M.A. in English from the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB). She has seven years of teaching experience at Pelham High School where she taught General English, Advanced English, and AP Prep English classes. After leaving there, she taught Composition 101 - level courses at UAB and Composition 101- and 102- level courses at Jefferson State Community College (Shelby Campus) until the arrival of her first child. She has taught at Chelsea Tutorials for the past eight years. She is married and has four boys. She is a member of Shades Mountain Baptist Church. Mrs. Moore addresses subject matter from a biblical world view.

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Prerequisite Reading:

These books should be read before this class. We will be pulling from the ideas presented to enhance our study and compare and contrast with other works. These two classics are taught in an earlier American Literature class, yet they are foundational Southern literature classics.

To Kill a Mockingbird

The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn

Required Texts: ISBNs will be provided at a later time. The exact ISBNs must be purchased.

Their Eyes Were Watching God by Zora Neale Hurston ISBN 978-0060838676

The Glass Menagerie by Tennessee Williams ISBN 978-0811214049

The Secret Life of Bees by Sue Monk Kidd ISBN 978-0142001745

Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave (Dover Thrift) ISBN 978-0486284996

Excerpts from Booker T. Washington's *Up From Slavery* (Dover Thrift) ISBN 980-0486287386

The Help by Kathryn Stockett ISBN 978-0425232200

Excerpt from *Uncle Tom's Cabin* ISBN TBA

Just Mercy by Bryan Stevenson ISBN 978-0812984965

Southern Gothic Short Stories - Students will be required to print out copies of these stories assigned.

Summer Reading: *Cold Sassy Tree* by Olive Ann Burns 978-0618919710

Location: Grace Presbyterian Church, PCA (located at 109 Foothills Pkwy, #104, Chelsea, AL 35043)

Day: Wednesday

Time: 8:15 - 10:15

Grade Level: 11th - 12th grade

Credit Value: 1 credit

Homework Level: 3 - 4 hours per week

Tuition and Fees:

Registration Fee: \$25 nonrefundable payable to Beth Moore.

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Facility Fee: The annual facility fee for this class is \$30 per student, not to exceed \$180 per family. This fee is payable to Grace Presbyterian Church, PCA, on the first day of class.

Class Minimum: If a class minimum of 5 students is not reached, class may be cancelled. A maximum of 12 students will be accepted.

