

English 1302-Honors
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Office Hours: Monday 5pm-6pm; Tuesday & Thursday 9:15am-9:45am & 12:15pm-12:45pm; Wednesday 10:30am-11:30am. If these times do not work for you, I'd be happy to arrange another time in-person, on the phone, or via Virtual Campus.

Textbook: Williams, Tennessee. *A Streetcar Named Desire*. ISBN: 9780811216029 (You may use a different edition of the play)

Evaluation:

10% - Participation

65% - Major Papers

15% - Reading Responses

10% - Final Exam

Weekly Schedule

Week One: MLK Day (No Class)

Week Two: *Thunder Road* (screened in class) & "Happy Endings" (we will read together in class)

Week Three: "A Good Man Is Hard to Find" & "Going for a Beer"

Week Four: "Sweat" & "Everyday Use"

Week Five: "Hills Like White Elephant" & "Elliott Spencer"

Week Six: "Visitor" & Peer Review **Fiction Paper Due**

Week Seven: *The Stronger* & *A Streetcar Named Desire* (Scenes 1-3)

Week Eight: *A Streetcar Named Desire* (Scenes 4-11)

Spring Break

Week Nine: *Two & Everything Will Be OK*

Week Ten: TBD & Peer Review **Drama/Film Paper Due**

Week Eleven: Introduction to Poetry & Song Lyrics (bring lyrics from a song you deem "poetic," however you define that term)

Week Twelve: Emily Dickinson & Poetry Packet I

Week Thirteen: Robert Frost & Poetry Packet II

Week Fourteen: Langston Hughes & Peer Review **Poetry Paper Due**

Week Fifteen: Review for final exam

Attendance Policy

Attendance is mandatory. You may miss three classes without penalty, but each subsequent absence will result in a ten-point penalty from your final grade. You are expected to arrive on time or before the beginning of class and will be counted tardy if you arrive after the class begins or must leave before class ends. Each tardy will count as half an absence. If you arrive to class fifteen minutes late or must leave 15 minutes early, you will be counted absent for the day.

Late Paper Policy

Ten points will be deducted for each day a major assignment is late. This includes weekends and holidays. Deadlines are firm and clearly stated, so even papers turned in shortly after the deadline will be counted late. After 5 days, you may turn in the assignment at any time, but the highest grade you can receive would be a 50. I will assess the paper out of 100 just like any other and then divide that grade by two.

Assignments

All assignments must be turned in via D2L's dropbox system (unless otherwise specified) using .doc, .docx, .pdf, or .rtf file formats. If your paper is less than half the minimum word count, you will receive a zero. If your paper is below the minimum word count but more than half of the minimum word count, I will perform simple division to find your highest possible score. In other words, if you turn in 750 words for a 1,000 word assignment, the highest possible grade is a 75.

Communication

You are responsible for all information found on our D2L page, presented in class, or sent via email. I highly recommend you set up your phone to automatically receive and notify you of these emails. I will try to respond to your emails within 24 hours, but if I haven't responded by that time, email me again to make sure I received your message.

Revisions

You may revise one paper this semester to potentially receive full credit. Email me the revised paper AND include it in the "Revisions" dropbox. Please also include a short cover letter directing me to substantial changes you've made and why you think the paper is improved. You cannot make up points deducted from late papers or plagiarized papers. In other words, if your original paper was two days late, the highest grade you could receive would be an 80. Revisions are due May 3rd at 11:59pm.

Grammar and Spelling Problems

This is not a course in grammar, so assignments are expected to be relatively error-free when turned in. Make a virtual appointment at the Student Success Center if you need help from a tutor or find websites like the Purdue Online Writing Lab (OWL) for electronic resources.

Content Note

This is a college-level class, and we will be dealing with texts that may make you uncomfortable, upset, or offended because of the language or content. You are, however, expected to engage with the texts in a professional manner and be respectful in discussions.

Learning Outcomes

1. Students will demonstrate knowledge of individual and collaborative research processes. Assessment: Participation in peer editing, draft workshops, and group discussions. 1-4 compositions incorporating research (passing with at least 70%)

2. Students will develop ideas and synthesize primary and secondary sources within focused academic arguments, including one of more research-based essays. Assessment: 1-4 compositions incorporating research (passing with at least 70%)
3. Students will analyze, interpret, and evaluate a variety of texts for the ethical and logical uses of evidence. Assessment: Students support their opinion about theme and characters by using logical appeals. 1-4 compositions (passing with at least 70%)
4. Students will write in a style that clearly communicates meaning, builds credibility, and inspires belief or action. Assessment: quizzes, tests, and/or other assignments (passing with at least 70%)
5. Students will apply the conventions of style manuals for specific academic disciplines (E.g., APA, CMS, MLA, etc.). Assessment: 1-4 compositions incorporating research (passing with at least 70%)

Academic Honesty

Brazosport College assumes that students eligible to perform on the college level are familiar with the ordinary rules governing proper conduct including academic honesty. The principle of academic honesty is that all work presented by you is yours alone. Academic dishonesty including, but not limited to, cheating, plagiarism, and collusion shall be treated appropriately. Please refer to the Brazosport College Student Guide for more information. This is available online at <http://www.brazosport.edu>.

Academic dishonesty violates both the policies of this course and the Student Code of Conduct. In this class, any occurrence of academic dishonesty will be referred to the Dean of Student Services for prompt adjudication. Sanctions may be imposed beyond your grade in this course by the Dean of Student Services.

The inclusion of AI-generated text like ChatGPT and Bard is prohibited from your major assignments and discussion board activities. These tools may be useful for brainstorming and research, but the ideas and writing in your submitted work must be your own. Essays that are flagged by Turnitin.com for AI-use and/or include common AI signs may receive a 0. I may also interview you about your submission if I suspect the use of AI-generated text.

Students with Disabilities

Brazosport College is committed to providing equal education opportunities to every student. BC offers services for individuals with special needs and capabilities including counseling, tutoring, equipment, and software to assist students with special needs. For student to receive any accommodation, documentation must be completed in the Office of Disability Services. Please contact Phil Robertson, Special Populations Counselor at 979-230-3236 for further information.

Title IX Statement

Brazosport College faculty and staff are committed to supporting students and upholding the College District's non-discrimination policy. Under Title IX and Brazosport College's policy FFDA (Local), discrimination based on sex, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression is prohibited. If you experience an incident of discrimination, we encourage you to report it. While you may talk to a faculty or staff member at BC, please understand that they are "Responsible Employees" and must report what you tell them to college officials. You can also contact the Title IX Coordinators directly

by using the contact information below. Additional information is found on the Sexual Misconduct webpage at www.brazosport.edu/sexualmisconduct.

Mareille Rolon, HR Coordinator and Deputy Title IX Coordinator Office C-114;
979-230-3303; mareille.rolon@brazosport.edu

Student Services Provided by the College:

Information about the Library is available at www.brazosport.edu/~lib/Information.htm or by calling [979-230-3310](tel:979-230-3310).

Information about study skills and tutoring for math, reading, writing, biology, chemistry, and other subjects is available in the Learning Assistance Center (LAC), see www.brazosport.edu/~lac or call 979-230-3253.

To contact the Math/Life Science Department call (979)230-3225.

The Student Services area provides the following services

Counseling and Advising	979-230-3040
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Financial Aid	979-230-3294
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Student Activities	979-230-3355
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To reach the Information Technology Dept. for computer, email, or other technical assistance call the Helpdesk 979-230-3266.