

SENIOR SEMINAR SYLLABUS

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General Course Description

Senior Seminar, or College and Career Readiness, is designed to aid the student in making and achieving career goals via classroom curriculum and the awareness of School-to-Career experiences. A connection of classroom activities will help the student make wise college and career path decisions. This course will prepare young people for the next chapter in their life, whether it is a post-secondary education, the world of work, or becoming a member of the armed forces. Marketing “you”, networking, creating resumes, completing job applications and writing effective cover letters will be explored over the course of the semester.

Daily Class Materials Needed

Notebook
MacBook
Positive Attitude

Daily Requirements:

All students will be required to keep bring their computer to class, fully charged, every day. Students will be expected to complete assignments, on time, to the best of their ability, each day.

General Routines and Procedures

1. Be on time and prepared for learning.
2. Respect for Others (Teachers, Students, and Community)

Ways to Show Respect to Others:

- Make good eye contact when communicating with others
- BE ON TIME! Punctuality is vital in today’s world. Virtually any job you may have will require you to be on time and ready to work.

3. Listen!

2. Complete tasks on time.

Make Hard Work Your Passion

- The simplest way that an individual can achieve a higher degree of success in any endeavor is simple: “I’m going to outwork you!”
- The harder you work, the harder it is to surrender to any challenge in life....PERIOD!

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Bell Work

Every day, at the beginning of class, you will be expected to do bell work. The bell work will consist of task to complete... it may require a discussion with your neighbor or it could be as simple as making a list. You will have the first 5 minutes of class to write down the question to be answered for that day.

"It is our attitude at the beginning of a difficult task which, more than anything else, will affect it's successful outcome."

-William James

DEMONSTRATE ACADEMIC PROFICIENCY

Cheating is not tolerated in this class. Any student caught cheating will receive a 0% on the assignment/assessment. Cheating is defined as passing off another's work as your own or for aiding another with your efforts. (Reminder: Life is full of choices....)

"Good habits result from resisting temptation." Indian Proverb

HOMEWORK/DAILY WORK

Homework and daily work are very important aspects of a student's learning process at Terry High School. Students are expected to complete homework in order to reinforce, practice and enrich their understanding of class content.

MAKE-UP WORK

It is your responsibility to obtain any work missed while you were out. You can check the make-up board, as a friend, look at your Google Classroom, or email Ms. Foster.

GRADING GUIDELINES

Daily Grades: (50%) You will have 8 total for each 9 weeks including classwork, homework, some projects/essays

Test Grades: (25%) You will have 4 total for each 9 weeks including summative tests, some essays/projects

Exam Grade: (25%) You will have one per 9 weeks including your College research project and your Final project.

"We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence then, is not an act, but a habit." Aristotle

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Academic Assistance

Take advantage of TUESDAY or THURSDAY TUTORIALS

Class Participation

When you are in class, I expect you to be ready to learn. I expect each of you to be an active participant in your learning. While I am speaking, you should be actively listening. If you have a question raise your hand, and I'll be happy to try and answer it. When I ask questions, I will either call on students to answer or ask for volunteers, so be ready. There will be days when you will be graded on how well you participate in the class.

"Not to know is bad, not to wish to know is worse." Nigerian Proverb

Grading Scale

A 90-100

B 80-89

C 70-79

D 65-69

Re-Engagement

If you have received a grade on an assignment and you feel you could have done better, you will have the opportunity to earn a "Re-Do" grade. To be able to earn a "Re-Do" grade, you must do the following:

- a. Come to either Tuesday or Thursday tutorial within a week of the assignment.
- b. Complete your "Re-Do" assignment to a mastery level.
- c. You will be given the average of the original grade and the "Re-Do" grade.

I'm giving you the opportunity; it is YOUR responsibility to take advantage of it!

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Course Scope and Sequence*

**Subject to change*

Bold entries indicate potential test or exam grades.

Topics	Month
<p style="text-align: center;">“Self Discovery”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Syllabus Review● Planning Your Future● Life Choices● Transforming from a Child to an Adult● Overcoming Challenges● Time Management● Essay Submission	<p style="text-align: center;">August</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">“Career Discovery”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● What is CCR● 21st Century Skills● Getting a Job/Keeping a Job● Resume/Cover Letters● Finding Your Career● Career Research & Submission	<p style="text-align: center;">August/September</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">“SMART Goals”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● SMART Goals● Why Goals are Important● Setting your Goals● Mission Statement	<p style="text-align: center;">September</p>

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<p style="text-align: center;">“Show Me The Money</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Financial Aid 101• FAFSA Completion• Financial Aid Applications• Top 5 Applications Submitted• Scholarship Research & Submission	October
<p style="text-align: center;">“Digital Citizenship”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 9 Elements of Digital Citizenship• Real or Fake.... Deciphering the Internet• Elements Project	November
<p style="text-align: center;">“Financial Literacy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Banking Basics• Loans and Credit Cards• Budgeting• Taxes• Financial Literacy Test	November
<p style="text-align: center;">“Final Project”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Final Project Submission	December