

# ENGL 1153: Introduction to Reading & Writing about Literature

## Spring 2026

### Schedule:

\*Notice: Changes in the course syllabus, procedure, assignments, and schedule may be made at the discretion of the instructor.

Week	Assignments	Due Dates
<b>1</b>  1/20-1/23	Read: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Syllabus &amp; Schedule</li> <li>• Ch 1: Intro to Reading &amp; Writing about Literature</li> <li>• “The Value of ReReading”, “Annotating”, &amp; “Note Taking” from <i>Ch 2: The Role of Good Reading</i></li> <li>• “A Rose for Emily” William Faulkner (D2L)</li> </ul> Do: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction Discussion Board (DB)</li> <li>• “A Rose for Emily” Reading Quiz</li> </ul>	DB: Initial post due Wed 1/21 @ 11:59pm Response due Fri 1/23 @ 11:59pm  RQ Due Sunday 1/25 @ 11:59pm
<b>2</b>  1/26-1/30	Read: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ch 3: The Writing Process</li> <li>• “Summary”, “Response”, “Analysis”, and “Compare and Contrast” from <i>Ch 4: Common Writing Assignments</i></li> <li>• “A Good Man is Hard to Find” by Flannery O’Connor (D2L)</li> <li>• “Strong Horse Tea” by Alice Walker (D2L)</li> </ul> Do: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Response Paper #1</li> <li>• Introduce: WP#1</li> </ul>	<b>Response Paper #1 due Sunday, 2/1 @ 11:59pm</b>
<b>3</b>  2/2-2/6	Read: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ch 5: Writing About Stories</li> <li>• “The Bath” by Raymond Carver (D2L)</li> <li>• “A Small, Good Thing” by Raymond Carver (D2L)</li> </ul> Do: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Response Paper #2</li> <li>• Rough Draft of WP#1</li> </ul>	<b>Response Paper #2 due Sunday, 2/8 @ 11:59pm</b>

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<p><b>4</b></p> <p>2/9-2/13</p>	<p>Read:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “Cathedral” by Raymond Carver (D2L)</li> </ul> <p>Do:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WP#1 Peer Review Discussion Board</li> <li>• Raymond Carver Reading Quiz</li> </ul>	<p>DB:</p> <p>Initial post due Wed 2/11 @ 11:59pm</p> <p>Response due Fri 2/13 @ 11:59pm</p> <p>RQ due Sunday, 2/15 @ 11:59pm</p>
<p><b>5</b></p> <p>2/16-2/20</p>	<p>Read:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ch 6: Writing About Poems</li> <li>• “The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock” by T.S. Eliot</li> <li>• “[2 little whos]” by e.e. cummings</li> <li>• “[dim/i/nu/tiv]” by e.e. cummings</li> <li>• “[as freedom is a breakfastfood]” by e.e. cummings</li> </ul> <p>Do:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WP#1 Due Sunday, 2/22 @ 11:59pm</li> <li>• Modernist Poets Discussion Board</li> <li>• Introduce: WP#2</li> </ul>	<p>DB:</p> <p>Initial post due Wed 2/18 @ 11:59pm</p> <p>Response due Fri 2/20 @ 11:59pm</p> <p><b>WP#1 Due Sunday, 2/22 @ 11:59pm</b></p>
<p><b>6</b></p> <p>2/23-2/27</p>	<p>Read:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “Mad Girl’s Love Song” by Sylvia Plath</li> <li>• “Daddy” by Sylvia Plath</li> <li>• “Miniver Cheevy” by E.A. Robinson</li> <li>• “Richard Cory” by E.A. Robinson</li> </ul> <p>Do:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Response Paper #3</li> <li>• Select poems for WP#2</li> </ul>	<p><b>RP #3 due Sunday, 3/1 @ 11:59pm</b></p>
<p><b>7</b></p> <p>3/2-3/6</p>	<p>Do:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WP#2 Peer Review Discussion Board</li> <li>• WP#2 Due</li> </ul>	<p>DB:</p> <p>Initial post due Wed 3/4 @ 11:59pm</p> <p>Response due Fri 3/6 @ 11:59pm</p> <p><b>WP2 Due Sunday, 3/8 @ 11:59pm</b></p>

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<b>Spring Break: March 9th-13th</b>		
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>8</b></p> <p>3/16-3/20</p>	<p>Read:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ch 7: Writing About Plays</li> <li>• <i>The Things They Carried</i> (TTTC) by Tim O’Brien <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ “The Things They Carried”</li> <li>○ “Love” *</li> <li>○ “Spin” *</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>* Optional reading</p> <p>Do:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ch 7 Discussion Board</li> <li>• TTTC Reading Quiz</li> </ul>	<p>DB:</p> <p>Initial post due Wed 3/18 @ 11:59pm</p> <p>Response due Fri 3/20 @ 11:59pm</p> <p>RQ due Sunday, 3/22 @ 11:59pm</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>9</b></p> <p>3/23-3/27</p>	<p>Read:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>The Things They Carried</i> (TTTC) by Tim O’Brien <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ “On the Rainy River”</li> <li>○ “Enemies” *</li> <li>○ “Friends” *</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>* Optional reading</p> <p>Do:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Response Paper #4</li> </ul>	<p><b>RP#4 due Sunday, 3/29 @ 11:59pm</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>10</b></p> <p>3/30-4/3</p>	<p>Read:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ch 8: Writing a Literary Research Paper</li> <li>• <i>The Things They Carried</i> (TTTC) by Tim O’Brien <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ “How to Tell a True War Story”</li> <li>○ “The Dentist” *</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>* Optional reading</p> <p>Do:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduce WP#3</li> <li>• Brainstorming WP#3 Discussion Board</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Holiday Break April 2nd-4th</b></p>	<p>DB:</p> <p>Initial post due Wed 4/1 @ 11:59pm</p> <p>Response due Fri 4/3 @ 11:59pm</p>

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<p><b>11</b></p> <p>4/6-4/10</p>	<p>Read:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ch 9: Literary Criticism &amp; Literary Theory</li> <li>• <i>The Things They Carried</i> (TTTC) by Tim O'Brien <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ “Sweetheart of the Song Tra Bong”</li> <li>○ “Stockings” *</li> <li>○ “Church” *</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>* Optional reading</p> <p>Do:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chapter 9 Discussion Board</li> <li>• Work on Annotated Bibliography</li> </ul>	<p>DB:</p> <p>Initial post due Wed 4/8 @ 11:59pm</p> <p>Response due Fri 4/10 @ 11:59pm</p>
<p><b>12</b></p> <p>4/13-4/17</p>	<p>Read:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>The Things They Carried</i> (TTTC) by Tim O'Brien <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ “The Man I Killed” *</li> <li>○ “Ambush” *</li> <li>○ “Style” *</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>* Optional reading</p> <p>Do:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annotated Bibliography due Sunday</li> <li>• WP#3 Rough Draft</li> </ul>	<p><b>Ann Bib due Sunday, 4/19 @ 11:59pm</b></p>
<p><b>13</b></p> <p>4/20-4/24</p>	<p>Read:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>The Things They Carried</i> (TTTC) by Tim O'Brien <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ “Speaking of Courage”</li> <li>○ “Notes” *</li> <li>○ “In the Field”</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>* Optional reading</p> <p>Do:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WP#3 Peer Review Discussion Board</li> <li>• TTTC Reading Quiz</li> </ul>	<p>DB:</p> <p>Initial post due Wed 4/22 @ 11:59pm</p> <p>Response due Fri 4/24 @ 11:59pm</p> <p>RQ due Sunday, 4/26 @ 11:59pm</p>
<p><b>14</b></p> <p>4/27-5/1</p>	<p>Do:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WP#3 Due Sunday</li> <li>• Introduce Remix Project</li> </ul> <p><b>Last day to drop with “W” 4/29</b></p>	<p><b>WP#3 due Sunday 5/3 @ 11:59pm</b></p>

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<b>15</b> 5/4-5/8	Do: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Remix Presentation Discussion Board</li><li>• Remix Project due Sunday</li></ul>	DB: Initial post due Wed 5/6 @ 11:59pm Response due Fri 5/8 @ 11:59pm  <b>Remix Project due Sunday 5/10 @ 11:59pm</b>
<b>16</b>	<b>No Final Exam!!!</b>	