

CLASS TITLE: Lit. 400: The 20th Century

GRADE LEVELS: 9-12

CLASS CODE:LIT400

LOCATION (LV or FC):LV

INSTRUCTOR: Joseph W. Smith III

CO-TEACHER: n.a.

TUITION FEE: \$100

MATERIAL FEE: n.a.

LENGTH OF CLASS (FULL YR / FALL / SPRING): FULL YEAR

CLASS DESCRIPTION:

Covering poems, stories, plays, novels and nonfiction of the 20th century. Tentative reading list includes poetry by T. S. Eliot and Billy Collins; short stories by O. Henry, Frank O'Connor, Flannery O'Connor, Damon Runyon and Isaac Asimov; the plays A RAISIN IN THE SUN and OUR TOWN; and the novels GREAT GATSBY, THE METAMORPHOSIS (Kafka), THE BLUE CASTLE (L. M. Montgomery), THE HOBBIT, THE OLD MAN & THE SEA, 1984, LORD OF THE FLIES, TRUE GRIT and TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD; nonfiction: essays by Chesterton, plus DEVIL AT MY HEELS (Zamperini) and SCREWTAPE LETTERS. This list may change a bit. A finalized list will go out in early August.

Lots of in-depth discussion, working to apply lessons to our daily lives and to examine Christian worldview (or lack thereof); also to help prepare for possible future lit. courses in college.

HOMEWORK: Reading (usually one week per author), with accompanying worksheet questions.

QUIZZES: Quizzes on due-date for nearly all readings (to make sure you read it!).

TESTS: No

PROJECTS/LABS: No

WRITING INTENSIVE?: No. 3-4 essays during the year.

OUTSIDE/OLD CLOTHING?: No

GRADING POLICY: A balanced blend of quizzes, worksheets, essays and class participation. Smith uses Dropbox, so each student's grade report can be accessed at any time through this link.

ENROLLMENT MIN: 10

ENROLLMENT MAX: 25

PRE-REQUISITES: None

REQUIRED TEXT(S) to be provided by parent: See list above. Some selections will be provided by teacher.

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS to be provided by parent: None

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