

Launch American Literature

Course Information:

1 Credit

Asynchronous Canvas Course

Course Site: <https://akgrad.instructure.com/>

Description:

This course is designed for students at a lower reading level or students who are At-Risk, or in danger of not graduating high school. Launch American Literature is designed to meet the needs of online students who have had difficulties with traditional classroom or other correspondence classes that do not meet a student's needs and need to earn an English credit.

American Literature is a comprehensive course that covers genres and writing styles through writings about: Forging America's Literary Tradition: 1620-1849; The Inspiration of New England: 1837-1860; Local Color in America: 1849-1889; the Harvest of Realism and Naturalism: 1890-1908; American Literature Comes of Age: 1905-1940; Moving Into Modern Times: 1940-1970; and Contemporary American Literature: 1971-present.

Course Organization: The course is divided into seven chapters. Each chapter is broken down into lessons based on learning outcomes. For each lesson, you are required to read a section of the textbook, complete practice problems from the textbook, and then take an online quiz.

Materials Required:

- Computer or tablet with Internet access
- AGS American Literature Book

Academic Dishonesty: With most correspondence courses as well as AKGrad & YKSD, honesty of parents and students is essential. If an AK Grad teacher confirms that a student has plagiarized work or used AI, the student will receive a 0 and be subject to consequences determined by their school of record.

Grading: Activities and quizzes are designed to be completed as many times as necessary to earn the grade that you would like to earn. If you are struggling on activities or quizzes, you should contact your online teacher for additional support.

- **Assignment Quizzes:** Quizzes are computer scored and you can see your incorrect answers immediately so you can retake if necessary. It is also permissible to use notes, study materials, and books on the quizzes.

- **Tests:** You are not allowed to use notes, study materials, and books on the tests. The tests are meant to reflect how much you have learned while completing the lessons.

The following grading scale will be used for determining your final grade. After completing the course with a "D-" or better you will receive one Carnegie credit from the Yukon Koyukuk School District.

Percent	Grade
97% - 100%	A+
93% - 96%	A
90% - 92%	A-
87% - 89%	B+
83% - 86%	B
80% - 82%	B-
77% - 79%	C+
73% - 76%	C
70% - 72%	C-
67% - 69%	D+
63% - 66%	D
60% - 62%	D-
< 60%	F

Course Schedule: Though you are in charge of your own schedule, we will encourage you to create a schedule for completing the course within one year of the start day. As your teacher we will support you in meeting your goals. The following is a list of units that need to be completed.

<u>1st Quarter</u>	<u>2nd Quarter</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unit 1: Foraging America's Literary Tradition: 1620-1848 ● Unit 2: The Inspiration of New England: 1837-1860 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unit 3: Local Color in America: 1849-1889 ● Unit 4: The Harvest of Realism and Nationalism: 1890-1908

<u>3rd Quarter</u>	<u>4th Quarter</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unit 5: Nonfiction 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unit 6: Moving Into Modern Times: 1940-1970 ● Unit 7: Contemporary American Literature: 1971-Present

Subject to Change

This syllabus and schedule are subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances. Your instructor will notify you of changes via Canvas announcements.