

# Briefing Session on English Major and Minor 2022-23 for First-Year Students

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## 1. Entrance Admission Requirement to English Studies and Courses

1. A minimum <u>Level 5</u> in English Language in the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination (HKDSE)

OR

2. An equivalent score in another recognized English proficiency test (e.g. IELTS, TOEFL, IB Diploma, National Higher Education Entrance Exam, etc.)

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## 2. Curriculum Structure and Features



## **English Studies**

- Language and literature are studied from multiple perspectives, linguistic and literary ones, also including critical and cultural theory, and creative writing
- Cross-cultural orientation: recognizing English as a language of global communication and world literature, a language that people make their own, creatively and habitually, all over the world



## **Curriculum Structure of English Studies**

Courses	Major (Credits)	Minor (Credits)
Introductory level	30	18
a) List A "Historical and Theoretical Foundations" (including 6 credits of ENGL course as a first- year prerequisite)	12	6
b) List B "Critical Reading, Analysis and Writing"	12	6
c) Either from List A or B	6	6
Advanced level	48	18
Grand Total	78	36

#### Note:

 Admission to advanced courses: completion of at least 3 introductory courses (at least 1 from List A and B)

## **English Studies**

- Introductory courses emphasize the development of historical and theoretical knowledge (List A courses), as well as the practice of critical reading, analysis and writing (List B courses)
- Advanced courses focus on language and literature as representations of culture and society in diverse historical contexts, including the local and postcolonial; and on how language and literature work to produce meaning in different discourses, genres and media



## **English Studies**

## **Option 1: Specialization Streams (optional)**

- Literature Stream; or
- Language and Communication Stream; or
- Both Streams mentioned above

Option 2: General without declaration of any Specialization Streams



## **English Studies (Courses)**

English literature: medieval, Shakespeare, Renaissance, Eighteenth-Century, Romanticism, Victorian, modern, contemporary, post-colonial, cross-cultural, feminism, rhetoric, literary islands, travel writing, graphic novels...

Language, literature and law: legal discourse and the mind; law, meaning and interpretation; law and literature...

**Structural and applied linguistics:** syntax, phonetics and phonology, semantics and pragmatics, language acquisition, corpus linguistics...

**Sociolinguistics:** multilingualism, cross-cultural discourses, language and identity, World Englishes, language and globalization, visual communication...





## 3. Course Admission Policy and Quotas

- Enrollment requests are NOT approved on a first-come-first-served basis, as the School Office will need to take various factors into consideration, such as whether each applicant has fulfilled the entrance and/ or pre-requisite requirements; his/ her year of study (senior major and minor students are prioritized); fulfilment progress of major/ minor requirements in case of Year 2 and above students, etc.
- Prospective major/ minor students are advised to take at least one introductory
   List A course in Year 1, if they wish to declare that major/ minor in Year 2

Course Type	Normative Class Quota (Unless Otherwise Specified by Individual Courses on SIS)	
Introductory (List A)	75	
Introductory (List B)	25	
Advanced ENGL2xxx	35-40	
Advanced capstone ENGL3xxx	Subject to the cohort size	



## 4. Introductory Courses Offered This Year

#### **List A: Historical and theoretical foundations**

**ENGL1015** Introduction to English Linguistics

ENGL1022 Poetry past and present

ENGL1024 World Literature

ENGL1042 World Englishes

ENGL1056 Introduction to language and communication

ENGL1059 Introduction to pragmatics

#### List B: Critical reading, analysis and writing

ENGL1014 Imaginary geographies: The art of writing place

ENGL1027 Analyzing discourse

ENGL1028 Awakenings: Exploring women's writing

ENGL1032 Late Victorian texts and contexts

ENGL1036 Meaning and metaphor

ENGL1040 Rewriting and writing back

ENGL1041 Modernity and literary modernism

ENGL1043 An introduction to 20th-century English poetry

ENGL1045 "Community" in sociolinguistics

ENGL1048 Crime stories

ENGL1050 An introduction to research methods in sociolinguistics

ENGL1054 Writing disaster: Literature, trauma, memory

ENGL1055 Language myths and realities

ENGL1061 Introduction to psycholinguistics

### 4. Advanced Courses Offered This Year

#### **English Language and Linguistics**

ENGL2002	Language in Society
ENGL2004	English syntax
ENGL2007	Literary linguistics
ENGL2039	Gender, sexuality and discourse
ENGL2103	Language and digital media
ENGL2112	History of English
ENGL2115	Theories of language acquisition
ENGL2119	English in Hong Kong: Making it your own
ENGL2126	Law, meaning, and interpretation
ENGL2129	English as a language of science
ENGL2146	Cognitive semantics
ENGL2166	English phonetics
ENGL2179	Theories of language and communication
ENGL2181	Language and politeness
ENGL2187	The language of news media



## 4. Advanced Courses Offered This Year

#### **English Literary Studies**

ENGL2010	The novel
ENGL2079	Shakespeare
ENGL2085	Creative writing
ENGL2120	Science fiction
ENGL2131	The critic as artist
ENGL2134	World literature and theory
ENGL2137	The profession of playwright in early modern England
ENGL2142	Milton
ENGL2147	Joyce's voices
ENGL2150	The city and modernity
ENGL2156	Eighteenth-century British literature
ENGL2165	Legal fictions: United States citizenship and the right to write in America
ENGL2169	Writing and violence
ENGL2176	Writing Asian diasporas



## 4. Advanced Courses Offered This Year (Capstone Courses)

Major students should take one advanced course called a capstone experience course in their final year. Examples:

Category	English Studies		
Research	ENGL3041 Senior colloquium in English studies		
	ENGL3042 Extended essay in English studies*  * By Faculty's invitation to "Undergraduate Research Fellowship Programme" (URFP); Eligibility: CGPA reaches 3.5 or above (out of 4.3)		
Experiential learning (students' self-initiated internship opportunities)	ENGL3040 Internship in English studies		



## 4. Credit-bearing Internship Opportunities (ENGL3040)

#### **Features**

- Experiential learning
- Self-initiated internship opportunities: internship host can be from our partnership list or from a student's own choice
- Minimum 120 contact hours of services
- Assessment: 100% coursework (graded on a pass/fail basis)
- Webpage: <a href="https://english.hku.hk/Undergraduate/Internships">https://english.hku.hk/Undergraduate/Internships</a>



## 4. Credit-bearing Internship Opportunities (ENGL3040)

#### **Examples of our industry partners:**

- Archetype Hong Kong
- ArtAsiaPacific
- Campus Education Publishing Limited
- CW CPA
- Earth.Org
- Edipresse Media Hong Kong Limited
- Gohin
- HHCKLA Buddhist Ching Kok Secondary School
- HKU Guild and Black Box Studio
- Hong Kong Archaeological Society
- Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups, Leadership 21
- Hong Kong International Literary Festival
- Hong Kong Living
- i-Learner
- Integrated Brilliant Education Center (Jordan)



- Larus Foundation
- Learning Together
- NTK Academic Group
- One Ten Charity Foundation Limited
- Shakespeare4All
- Sinclair Communications
- Tai Kwun Centre for Heritage and the Arts
- Take2 Health Limited
- Teach for Hong Kong
- University Museum and Art Gallery
- VPower Holdings Limited
- Wiseland Elite Learning Centre
- Yew Chung College of Early Childhood Education

... and many more other organizations and companies which generously offer internships to our students

## An <u>Example</u> of Study Plan (only for reference – not a compulsory study plan)

	Semester 1	Semester 2	Credits
Year 1 (Year of exploration)	3 Introductory courses (at least 1 from List A, 1 from Li i.e. the pre-requisite for advance		18
Year 2	<ul><li>2 Introductory courses (from</li><li>2 Advanced courses</li></ul>	n List A and List B)	24
Year 3	2 Advanced courses (at HKU or by credit transfer)	2 Advanced courses (at HKU or by credit transfer)	24
Year 4	2 Advanced courses (including a capstone course – Pre-requisite for capstone: Com courses and 4 advanced courses		12
		Total Major Requirements	78



## 5. Course Selection for Year 1

Date	Action
<u>Semester 1 (2022)</u>	
Aug 19 (Fri) (10:00) – Aug 20 (Sat) (11:59)	Course selection period
Aug 20 (Sat) (12:00) – Aug 22 (Mon) (14:29)	Suspension period (for teaching units start considering enrollment requests, thus students cannot select courses)
Aug 22 (Mon) (14:30) – Aug 25 (Thu) (16:00)	Continuous course selection period
First add/ drop period	
Sep 1 (Thu) (10:00) – Sep 2 (Fri) (11:59)	Students may add/ drop courses
Sep 2 (Fri) (12:00 to 16:59)	Suspension period (for teaching units start considering enrollment requests, thus students cannot select courses)
Sep 2 (Fri) (17:00) – Sep 15 (Thu) (16:00)	Continuous course selection period



## 5. Course Selection for Year 1

Date	Action		
<u>Semester 2 (2023)</u>			
Second add/ drop period			
Jan 16 (Mon) (10:00) – Jan 17 (Tue) (11:59)	Course selection period		
Jan 17 (Tue) (12:00 to 16:59)	Suspension period (for teaching units start considering enrollment requests, thus students cannot select courses)		
Jan 17 (Tue) (17:00) – Feb 6 (Mon) (16:00)	Continuous course selection period		



## 6. Academic Planning Reminders

- 1. Please note that double-counting of courses for fulfilling more than one major or minor is not allowed, as a University-wide policy. E.g. "ENGL2177 Reading and Re-reading Jane Austen" is listed in the English Studies syllabus, and Gender Studies syllabus. It can be used to fulfil EITHER English Studies, OR Gender Studies major, but not BOTH.
- 2. In order to be able to declare a major/ minor in English Studies, students must pass at least one List A course as a first-year prerequisite taken in either the first or second semester.
- 3. Though students can start taking advanced courses after completion of three of introductory courses (at least one from both List A and List B), prospective majors are strongly encouraged to complete ALL five introductory courses in the first two years before they progress with advanced courses.





### **Summary of important prerequisite requirements on course enrollments**

Enrollment	Prerequisite Requirement
Enrollments in introductory courses	Level 5 or above in English Language in HKDSE, or an equivalent score in another recognized English proficiency test
Declaration of major/minor in Year 2 or above	Completion of one List A ENGL course (6 credits) as a first-year prerequisite
Enrollments in advanced courses	Completion of 18 credits of introductory courses, with at least 6 credits from both List A and List B
Enrollments in a major capstone course	Completion of 30 credits of introductory courses and 24 credits of advanced courses in the major (including transferred credits gained from a host institution, if any)



## 7. Credit Transfer for Exchange Studies

#### 1. University Policy on Credit Transfer

A semester or a year of full-time study in a host institution, which has 2 semesters per academic year, should normally translate into a full semester's or full year's credits at HKU (i.e. up to 30 or 60 HKU credits respectively)

#### 2. Faculty Cap Policy on Credit Transfer

- a) Up to 50% of the transferred credits to HKU can be counted towards each of the Arts major/ minor requirements. In other words, students should complete at least 50% of each of the Arts major/ minor requirements at HKU
- b) Transferred credits in excess of the cap as approved by the major/ minor offering programme(s) will be counted only as free elective(s) for the BA degree

Requirements	Arts major	Arts minor
Max. no. of exchange credits allowed to be transferred to HKU	36 credits	18 credits
Min. no. of credits completed at HKU	42 credits	18 credits
Total	78 credits	36 credits

Reference: https://english.hku.hk/Undergraduate/Credit Transfer



7. Credit Transfer for Exchange Studies



#### Preparation before departure for exchange

- ✓ Check if the host institution offers courses comparable to your declared major(s)/minor(s), which are suitable for credit transfer to HKU.
- ✓ Before making your course selection at the host institution, consult the Undergraduate Coordinator (via the School Office) on the suitability of the courses for credit transfer by providing detailed course information.
- ✓ Formal application has to be submitted to the Arts Faculty Office who will also decide on the number of credits to be transferred (<a href="http://arts.hku.hk/current-students/undergraduate/forms">http://arts.hku.hk/current-students/undergraduate/forms</a>).



## 8. Plagiarism Warning

❖ The University's definitions on "plagiarism" are as follows:

Plagiarism refers to "direct copying of textual material or wilful use of other people's data and ideas, and presenting them as one's own without acknowledgement, whether or not such materials, data and ideas have been published". (Paragraph 6, "Regulations Governing Students' Academic Conduct Concerning Assessment")

**Self-plagiarism** refers to "reuse of one's own data or repeat of previously published written work, or part thereof, in a 'new' publication without acknowledging that the data set has been used or written work has been published elsewhere". (Paragraph 3.1, "Policy on Research Integrity")

Plagiarism is **strictly prohibited** in all assignments and examinations and will result in a Fail grade and possibly disciplinary action.

- Use proper citations and provide sources wherever necessary. Follow the guidelines on the School website:
  - https://english.hku.hk/General Information/Plagiarism Warning.
- ❖ Note the online tutorial provided by CAES: <a href="http://www4.caes.hku.hk/plagiarism/">http://www4.caes.hku.hk/plagiarism/</a>.
- ❖ In case of doubt, always consult your teachers or tutors.

### 9. Awards

- 1. Annie Wong Prize in English Literature (1 award)
- 2. Ellis Bell Prize in English Literature and Comparative Literature (1 award)
- 3. Falling Leaves Foundation Prize in Cross-Cultural Studies in English/English Literary Studies (1 award)
- 4. Joseph Yau Sai Man Memorial Prize in English Literature (2 awards)
- 5. Maisie Choa English Poetry Prize (2 awards)
- 6. Melanie Lee Enrichment Award in English (2 awards): (1 Internship award and 1 overseas travel award)
- 7. R.K.M. Simpson Prize in English (1 award)
- 8. Sir Robert Kotewall Memorial Prize (1 award)
- 9. The Lily Pond Prize in English (1 award)
- 10. Fr Alvaro Ribeiro SJ Memorial Scholarship (2 awards)

Reference: <a href="https://english.hku.hk/Undergraduate/Prizes and Scholarships">https://english.hku.hk/Undergraduate/Prizes and Scholarships</a>





## 10. ENGLISH STUDIES The First Year





### FROM SECONDARY TO UNDERGRADUATE





## Some major differences:

#### High school:

- Your time is mapped for you
- Structured study time such as homework
- Common curriculum
- Teachers on site
- Reading comprehension and basic skills
- Standardized assignments such as exams
- Model answers

#### **University:**

- Choose your own timetable
- Independent study
- Each course has its own syllabus & structure
- Professors/researchers office hours
- Sharing of independent ideas via discussion and writing
- Range of assessment
- Independent thinking

## Lectures and tutorials:

#### **Lectures:**

- Can be 2 hours
- Can be 3 hours
- Taught by professors

#### **Lecture & Tutorial:**

- 2-hour lecture plus:
- 1 hour "tutorial"
- Workshop or review or discussion or extra class
- Can be taught be professor or teaching assistant/tutor
- Scheduled by School or by tutors

## Typical ENGL first year course choices:

### **ENG Major:**

- 2 List A introductory courses
- 2 List B introductory courses
- 1 List A or B

- Common Core (6 in 3 years)
- CAES 9202; CART 9001

#### ENG Minor:

- 1 List A introductory course
- 1 List B introductory course
- 1 List A or B

- Common Core (6 in 3 years)
- CAES 9202; CART 9001

## Sample course choice:

- ENGL 1025 List A: Understanding Narrative (Lit)
- ENGL 1051 List A: English Phonetics (LCOM)
- ENGL 1014 List B: Imaginary Geographies (Lit)
- CCST 9021: Our Place in the Universe (CC)
- JAPN 1088: Japanese Language 1 (Elective)

AVOID overload of courses

	Mon 5	Tue 6	Wed 7	Thu 8	Fri 9	Sat 10
ll-day						<b>Mid-Autumn Festival</b>
IO AM					9:30 AM <b>JAPN 1088 - Grammar</b>	
11 AM	10:30 AM <b>JAPN 1088 - Grammar</b>	10:30 AM <b>JAPN 1088 - Skills</b>	10:30 AM ENG 1014 - Imaginary Geographies Lecture			
Noon						
1 PM		12:30 PM ENG 1015 - Phonetic			12:15 PM ENGL 1015 - Phonetics Lecture	
2 PM	1:30 PM ENG 1024 -			1:30 PM CCST 9012 - Tutorial		
3 PM	Understanding Narrative Lecture					
4 PM				3:15 PM <b>ENG 1024 - Tutorial</b>		
5 PM						
6 PM			6:30 PM			
7 PM			CCST 9012 - Our Place in the Universe Lecture			
8 PM			Lecture			
9 PM						
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	Mon 5	Tue 6	Wed 7	Thu 8	Fri 9	Sat 10	Sun 11
lay						Mid-Autumn Festival	The day following
.M on	10:30 AM <b>JAPN 1088 - Grammar</b>	10:30 AM <b>JAPN 1088 -Skills</b>	10:30 AM ENG 1014 - Imaginary Geographies Lecture	11 AM Study Japanese grammar	11:30 AM	Meet with group for ENG 1014 presentation	
- !	12:30 PM <b>Lunch</b> 1:30 PM	12:30 PM ENG 1015 - Phonetic		1:30 PM	12:30 PM ENGL 1015 - English Phonetics Lecture		
M	ENG 1024 - Understanding Narrative Lecture	1:45 PM Lunch	1:45 PM <b>Lunch</b> 2:45 PM	CCST 9012 - Tutorial 2:30 PM Lunch			
M		3 PM Read 40 Pages for 1014	Write up notes for tutorial CCST	3:30 PM ENG 1024 - Tutorial	3 PM Hall volleyball match	3 PM Begin paper for ENG 1024	
	5 PM <b>gym</b>		4:15 PM Go over lecture notes on Syllables for 1024 tutorial	5 PM gym			
М	6 PM Study for Japanese 7 PM	6 PM ENG soc ceremony	6:30 PM CCST 9012 - Our	6 PM Read Chapter 1 of Abbot for ENG 1024	6 PM Read Prologue from Byatt for ENG 1024	6 PM Read 30 pages for ENG 1014	
	Read 40 pages for 1014	8 PM Read 2 chapters for	place in the Universe Lecture				
	9 PM Finish transcription f	ссэт	9 PM Study Japanese new				

## The syllabus:

- Is a **contract** between students and professors
- Contains all the basic information about the course when, where, why, how, what
- Contains all required materials to be purchased or provided
- Contains a schedule of all classes (lectures & tutorials & field trips etc).
- Contains the due dates of all assignments (papers, tests, presentations) for the term.
- Contains reading schedule: number of pages, chapters etc.
- May or may not contain information about the assignments.
- Follow the syllabus, not SIS.
- Read the ENTIRE syllabus before emailing your professors with questions.

#### **ENGL2126 / LALS 3002**

#### Law, Meaning and Interpretation

Instructor: Professor C.M. Hutton (chutton@hku.hk) (CH)

Office: School of English, Run Run Shaw Tower, Centennial Campus (Room 834)

3 timetabled hours per week (Friday, 2.30-5.20) (CPD-G.02)

Form of assessment: 100% coursework

Please note that there will be no lecture on Friday September 27 and that there will be a makeup class in Reading Week (Friday, October 18, 14:30 - 17:20, CPD-G.02).

#### INTRODUCTION

This course offers a multidisciplinary introduction to key debates on language and interpretation within legal theory, and to the interface between the study of language and the discipline of law. This course begins with an introduction to interpretation as reflecting a set of pervasive intellectual problems in the study of literature, religion, language and culture. It then moves on to the study of legal interpretation, focusing on word meaning in law. The course stresses the sociopolitical dimension to interpretative questions confronted by judges. The presentation of theories of language and law is complemented by exercises drawn from decided cases or which reflect real-life legal dilemmas. Law is seen in the context of issues such as authority and power; doubt and certainty; meaning and indeterminacy. No technical knowledge of law, literary theory or linguistics is required: students come to this course with different backgrounds and skills. The emphasis is on understanding and applying theory to real legal questions and problems.

#### ONE COURSE, TWO SYSTEMS

This course is in fact TWO courses in one: a BA and LALS course, but all with the same content. The courses are assessed relative to the background of the students: there is no "competition" between the different cohorts of students and no specified grade distribution.

#### **TOPICS**



- 1. An introduction to meaning and interpretation through examples: concepts, approaches and issues
- 2. Interpretation as pervasive in literature, religion and social interaction
- 3. Linguistic approaches to lexical meaning and questions of ambiguity, polysemy, vagueness, and

#### **OBJECTIVES**

Students will gain an understanding of the fundamental interpretative dilemmas of law, and the relationship of these both to the socio-political context of legal rules, and to debates within the humanities about interpretative authority. They will gain diagnostic and analytic skills in relation to language in legal problems, and an understanding of the limits of legal certainty.

#### ORGANISATION

The course has three timetabled hours per week. Unless otherwise indicated, the formal session will be **TWO lecture hours**. The basic plan is that each week there is a lecture, the discussion of a case, and an assigned reading (either a case or an article). The third hour will be used as indicated for informal discussion and exercises based on decided cases, plus student presentations. Students will be given weekly presentations outlining the basic concepts, and will be directed to relevant readings in law and other relevant journals. Attendance is not taken.

#### ASSESSMENT

The primary requirements are a mid-term short answer of 1500 words with an associated presentation (30% of final grade) and a final essay of 3000 words (70% of final grade). The final essay requires engagement both with actual cases and the theoretical debates introduced during the course.

#### TEXTS

There is no textbook. A list of course readings is provided below. There are many relevant journals, including the *International Journal of Speech Language and the Law, Yale Journal of Law & Humanities, Law & Literature.* The library has Hein-on-Line and Westlaw which contain a vast amount of material. Course materials and readings will be available on Moodle.

#### DEADLINES (provisional)

Mid-term essay: November 4

Final essay: December 12

Submission via Moodle

\*\*There is a 3 point penalty per day for late submission\*\*

#### POINTS TO NOTE

No background in law, linguistics, or literary theory is assumed – but these are technical subjects with their own specialized terminology.

- The emphasis is on understanding and applying interpretative theory to real legal questions and related social problems.
- Cases are drawn from different periods and jurisdictions, in particular the United States. The
  course does not attempt to capture the current state of the law in any specific domain or
  jurisdiction, but rather is concerned with interpretative issues that are pervasive in common law
  adjudication. It takes a historical view, on the basis that certain questions appear more clearly with



hindsight, and ideological and other socio-cultural elements of cases emerge into view with the passage of time

COURSE OUTLINE (provisional)

		Lecture topic	Case	3rd Hour	Reading	Remarks
		•	INTRODUCTION	V		
1	Sept 6	Introduction to the course	Hong Kong Racing Pigeon Association v AG (1994, 1995)			
		THE INTER	RPRETATIVE CULT			
2	Sept 13	Reading cases & interpreting legal texts	Olmstead v United States (1928)		Hutton (2014) [extract]	
		INTERDIS				
3	Sept 20	Language and interpretation (I): law and religion	Liversidge v Anderson (1941)	Review/discussion session for ENGL2126	Jeroslav Pelikan (2004) [extract];	
	Sept 27		NO CLASS			midterm topics distributed
4	Oct 4	Language and interpretation (II): law, literary studies & indeterminacy	Re Rowland (1963)	Review/discussion session for LALS3002	Iser (1972); Kress (1989)	
5	Oct 11	Language and interpretation (III): law, lexicography and linguistics	Apple Inc v Amazon.com Inc (2011)		Slocum (2017) [extract] Carney (2016); Ainsworth (2006)	
		ORDINARY ME				
6	Oct 18	Core & penumbra meanings: H.L.A Hart's jurisprudence and its critics (Dworkin, Fuller)	McBoyle v United States (1931)	Presentations	Hutchinson (2014)	[**Reading Week**]

8	Oct 25 Nov 1	Textualism  Textualism and its critics	Church of the Holy Trinity v United States (1892)  White City Shopping Center, LP v PR Restaurants (2006): Smith v United States (1993)	Presentations  Presentations	Scalia (1997); Scalia and Garner (2012) [Extracts] Posner (2012)	Final essay topics distributed
			SELECTEI	O TOPICS		
9	Nov 8	Persons & personhood	Re Goodell, 39 Wis. 232 (1876); Edwards v. Canada (Attorney General) [1930] A.C. 124 (Privy Council)	Review/discussion	Hamilton (2008) [extract]	
10	Nov 15	Conceptual analysis of public order offences	Brutus v Cozens (1972)	Review/discussion session for LALS3002	Quilter & McNamara (2013)	
11	Nov 22	Gun control	District of Columbia v Heller (2008)		Linguists' brief + David Young's reponse	
		RE	VIEW & FINAL ES	SAY PREPARATION	N	
12	Nov 29	Course review & discussion of essay topics				

#### KEY CASES (provisional)

Adler v George (1964)

Apple Inc v Amazon.com Inc (2011)

Brutus v Cozens (1972)

California v Carney (1985)

Church of the Holy Trinity v United States (1892)

District of Columbia v Heller (2008)

Department of Corrections v California Men's Colony, Unit I (1993)

Edwards v. Canada (Attorney General) [1930] A.C. 124 (Privy Council)

Harjo v. Pro-Football Inc, (2005)

Hong Kong Racing Pigeon Association v AG (1994, 1995)

Kuzmanovski v New South Wales Lotteries Corporation (2010)

Liversidge v Anderson (1941)

Mandla v Dowell-Lee (1983)

National Organization of Women (NOW) v. Scheidler (1994)

Nix v Hedden (1893)

Riggs v Palmer (1889)

John Angus Smith v United States (1993)

McBoyle v United States (1931)

Muscarello v United States (1998)

Olmstead v United States (1928)

People v Carney (1981)

Re Rowland (1963)

Revenue and Customs Commissioners v Procter & Gamble UK (2008)

PETA v SeaWorld (2011)

Re Goodell (1876)

Smith v. United States (1993)

The Non Human Rights Project, Hercules & Leo v SUNY (2015)

W v Registrar of Marriages (2010, 2013)

White City Shopping Center, LP v PR Restaurants (2006)

COURSE READINGS (provisional-additional readings may be assigned for the mid-term and final essay)

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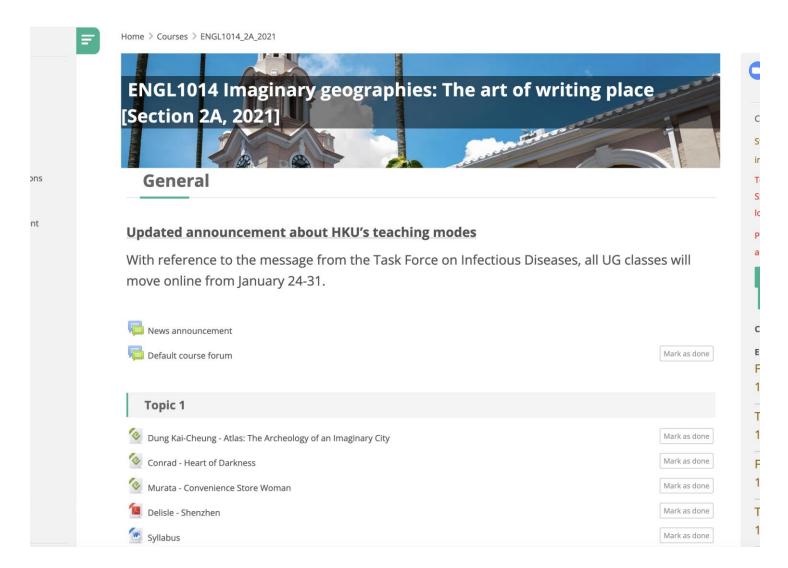
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## Moodle:





# Assignment due dates:

#### Semester 1:

- Mid-terms: around Reading Week
- Final papers: around December 15
- In-class final exams/tests: last week of semester

#### **Semester 2:**

- Mid-terms: around Reading Week
- Final papers: around May 15
- In-class final exams/tests: last week of semester

Professor grades 70+ papers; processed by School; audited by Chief Examiner; approved by Arts Faculty; processed by Registry; grades released to students.

## **Basics:**

- Attend both tutorial and lectures
- Check your HKU email and Moodle regularly for communications from your professors and admin
- Where possible, purchase the books for the course or borrow from the library. Do not rely on PDFs.
- Attend the library orientation to familiarize yourself with a research library
- Know who to ask for help

- Add/drop period: attend both the classes you are adding and dropping until confirmed
- Contact hours (class) and independent study hours (outside of class)
- Take your own notes in every session including discussion: do not rely on recordings
- Profs are not required to provide you with notes, ppts, or provide you with make up classes when you are absent.
- Be a professional student.

# What we expect from first year students:

- Curiosity
- Movement from summary of texts to analysis
- Gain familiarity with academic discourse
- Practice basic skills of literary analysis and sociolinguistics
- Gain familiarity with research skills
- Make connections between courses.

- Be able to share and listen to ideas in small and large groups
- Gain familiarity with discipline specific writing protocols
- Time management
- Appreciation of texts from different historical periods, cultures, genres, writers, disciplines etc.
- Respect for campus, staff personnel, faculty, students and others

# Highschool ENG & ENG 1XXX:

- "To what extent is Gatsby a likeable character in *The Great Gatsby.*"
   (DSE Eng Lit elective)
- You are a reporter for Do-Re-Mi, a music magazine. You interviewed Zoe Kwan, who has just won 'Best New Artist' at the HKTV Music Awards. Write a feature article based on your interview. Report on Zoe's sudden rise to fame and where the ideas behind her songs came from.

(DSE Eng Lang)

 Writers of fiction do not always relate events in chronological order. In at least two works you have studied, explore the effects of telling the story in a nonchronological manner This second option is your <u>free choice</u> to explore a theme or question about the texts that has interested you this semester. In this option, you may discuss **no more than TWO texts** from the ENG 1014 syllabus. Your paper should be thesis-driven, it should use detailed close-readings you should provide textual evidence for your arguments from the novel(s) and from your scholarly research.

#### Research component:

This paper has a research component: you will need to **use a minimum of TWO sources.** One source should be **scholarly**: this source can be a journal article of literary criticism; a chapter from a book that explores the historical or cultural context of your chosen novel; or a scholarly article that explains a theory of place, for example. The second source should be from a **reputable source** such as an author interview, a book review, a newspaper article etc.

Below is a list of suggestions for your projects, feel free to adapt them as you like:

- We discussed the idea of surveillance in both *Horrorstor* and *Room*. What is the significance of panoptic structures in both novels? In places like Orsk and/or the media surrounding Jack and Ma what makes surveillance so important?
- Local history is extremely important to Dung's attempt to defamiliarize us with Hong Kong as a space and refamiliarize us with Hong Kong as a place. In *The* Arrival, however, the protagonist's experience in a new city suggests the opposite of familiarity. Write a paper in which you explore how the feeling of "local" emerges.
- Haunting has been a theme that has emerged in our reading of Atlas and of Horrorstor, why are possessed places, ghosts, exorcisms, the dead etc. so prevalent in our discussions of place?
- Women's experiences and accounts of place have been important in our readings: characters such as the women of Mong Kok village, the 7 sisters of North Point, Amy and Ruth Anne, Ma, the daughter and immigrant women of The Arrival populate the texts we've read this term. How might focusing on some of these female characters add something different to our understanding or experience of place?

(IB Eng)

## How to prepare:

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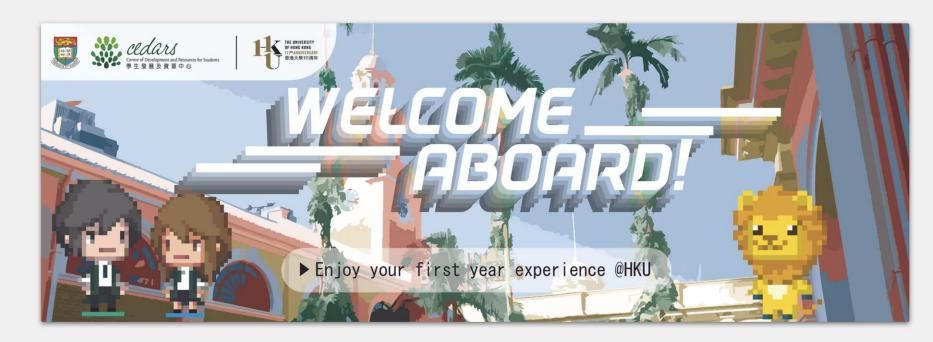


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#### ORIENTATION CAMP

Date: 24/8-26/8 Location: HKU Price: \$420

(\$470 after 15/8)

Deadline: 19/8



#### ORIENTATION DAY

Date: 28/8 Location: HKU Time: 10:00-19:00 Price: \$100 Deadline: 26/8



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## 12. Student Sharing and Q&A

	Item	Speaker(s)			
About studies at HKU					
1.	Introductory and advanced courses	Student representatives from English Society			
2.	Advanced capstone courses (internship or research)				
3.	Demonstration of course selection				
Exc	change studies abroad				
4.	Study abroad opportunities	Angus (BA Year 4 who stayed at Oxford University in 2021-22)			



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Item	Speaker(s)					
Extra-curricular activities: English Society						
5. English Society	Student representatives from English Society					



12. Q&A





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