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**SYLLABUS**

***Course Number and Title: AP 52.300 Preparing Students for the AP Exam: English Literature and Composition***

***Attendance Policy: The classes will meet from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm Monday through Thursday and 8:30 am to 1:00 pm on Friday during the week of July 10-14, 2017. All classes must be attended in order to receive credit.***

***Contact information: Dr. Frazier L. O'Leary, Jr.  
202 236-2184 or [oman9@aol.com](mailto:oman9@aol.com)***

***Course Description:***

***This course will combine the examination of methodology and content with sharing ideas, developing strategies, and reviewing samples from the 2017 AP exam. Hands-on strategies can be introduced immediately into participants' own courses. Participants can expect interactive sessions where they learn and practice the basics that are essential in implementing a successful AP English Literature course with their students. This course uses College Board-developed materials, as well as other resources and guest speakers, to expand the participants' knowledge base and to provide a framework for teachers in developing a curriculum.***

***Course Objectives: The course will prepare the AP English Literature teacher to:***

- ***Gain familiarity with the strategies necessary to prepare for success on the AP English Literature Exam***
- ***Create lessons which will increase students' skills in analytical reading and writing***
- ***Become familiar with the structure and grading of the AP English Literature Exam***
- ***Share strategies which will lead to AP success***
- ***Demonstrate effective communication and presentation skills***

***Additionally, the course will meet the following Graduate Program in Education standards:***

- ***Demonstrate the ability to incorporate theory and research into practice related to the area of specialization***
- ***Use reflective practice within the area of specialization***
- ***Apply knowledge of psychological and educational theory, research, and/or philosophy related to the area of specialization***

- *Demonstrate effective communication and presentation skills related to the area of specialization*

### *Required Text*

*Morrison, Toni Song of Solomon*

### *Class Schedule*

#### *Monday*

*Introductions and Expectations*

*What is AP? (Size of class, Student selection, Expectations, Syllabus, Books chosen)*

*Levels of Questions (Cisneros and Soto), Jones*

*SOAPSTone (Hayden and Millay), Wordsworth*

*Argumentation and Thesis (Hardy, Remarque, and Levertov), Roethke and Hayden*

*Homework (Vertical Team Definitions)*

#### *Tuesday*

*Recap*

*The Multiple Choice Question*

*Creating Prompts*

*The Essay*

*Homework- Review Song of Solomon*

#### *Wednesday*

*Recap*

*Song of Solomon*

*The Reading*

*Alternative Texts for AP*

*Homework – Choosing a Text*

#### *Thursday*

*Recap*

*Formulating Lesson Plans*

*Student Presentations*

#### *Friday*

*Recap*

*Review and Evaluation*

*Ethelbert Miller*

*Next Steps*

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**SYLLABUS**

**Course Number and Title: AP 524.300 Preparing Students for the AP Exam: English Literature and Composition**

**Description of Requirements for Graduate Credit:**

**The student will:**

- **Present a lesson during the course which will enhance a student's critical reading and writing skills**
- **Submit (Postmarked by July 18, 2017) a lesson on a text of your choosing and the proscribed text that clearly meet the objectives of the AP Literature course**
- **Submit (Postmarked by July 18, 2017) an essay of from 500-750 words that articulates your philosophy for teaching the course.**

**All submissions should be mailed or emailed to:**

**Dr. Frazier L. O'Leary, Jr.  
1318 Farragut St. NW  
Washington, D.C. 20011**

**[Oman9@aol.com](mailto:Oman9@aol.com)**

**Goucher College does not issue grade reports. You can obtain your grade approximately 3 weeks after concluding the course by going to the Goucher website (myGoucher) and follow the prompts to receive your grade.**

**If you need a paper copy of grades for tuition reimbursement, you will need to request a transcript in writing. You can fax your request to Student Administrative Services (SAS) at 410-337-6504 or mail to SAS at**

**Goucher College, SAS  
1021 Dulaney Valley Road  
Baltimore, MD 21204**

**There is no charge for this request. Please allow 3-5 working days to process. To access the transcript request form, please go to <http://www.goucher.edu/x1891.xml>**

*Questions? Please call 410-337-6200.*