

The Study of Shakespeare



Course Overview

Welcome to the Shakespeare course! To understand and enjoy Shakespeare's sonnets and plays, you should read them with care, see them performed, and undertake performance yourself. This course offers ample opportunities for exploring the works of Shakespeare in these three dimensions. Some of you may be Shakespearean scholars; others may enjoy the literature covered in English and now want to explore it a bit more.

Your level of experience does not matter – what's important is your willingness to participate in each class and take risks as you explore Shakespeare's world. The Study of Shakespeare is accessible to all students; assignments are completed *in class* with the assistance of the instructor.



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In this class students will:

- Read and Discuss Shakespeare's Sonnets and Plays
- Produce, Perform, and Stage scenes
- View Plays – Watch Films! Take Fieldtrips!
- Investigate the Life and Times of Shakespeare

Assessment Criteria – “Grades” are based on the following:

- Attendance
- Participation & Effort
- Projects & Reflections (completed in class)