

0171 KVCC Introduction to Literature & Thomas College Public Speaking

Category: English **Grade:** 12 **No. of trimesters:** 3 **Credits:** 1

PREREQUISITE: CUMULATIVE AVERAGE OF 85 OR GREATER and KVCC COLLEGE COMPOSITION or AP LANGUAGE & COMPOSITION 11. KVCC Introduction to Literature introduces three basic types of literature: fiction, drama, and poetry. The course helps students develop an appreciation of literature with the aim of preparing them to read and enjoy a variety of literary works throughout their adult lives. A wide range of authors and time periods are examined.

Thomas College Public Speaking is designed to help the student develop the ability to prepare and deliver effective speeches and presentations. The course covers both the knowledge required to plan and organize a speech and the interpersonal delivery techniques necessary to overcome nervousness and achieve maximum impact. Informative, persuasive, and commemorative or entertaining speeches are given. Students refine their writing and editing skills by composing, organizing, and proofing documents for a variety of academic and professional purposes. Course assignments include the preparation of such works as public relations pieces, news releases, journal articles, entertainment reviews, and literary criticism. Students revise and format documents to the level of publication readiness.

Successful completion of this course will qualify students to earn 6 college credits - 3 for Introduction to Literature granted through KVCC, 3 for Public Speaking granted through Thomas College.

MATH

0265 Foundations of Algebra

Category: Math **Grade:** 9 **No. of trimesters:** 3 **Credits:** 1

This course provides entry into higher-level math courses. Students are introduced to the language and basic concepts of pre-algebra, higher mathematics, and fundamental geometry.

0218 Algebra 1

Category: Math **Grade:** 9-10 **No. of trimesters:** 3 **Credits:** 1

Algebra 1 begins with a traditional examination of algebraic expressions and equations, working with linear and quadratic functions, and solving systems of linear equations. Data analysis topics will also be introduced. This course will help students to develop the ability to explore and solve mathematical problems, think critically, work cooperatively with others, and communicate ideas clearly.

0220 Honors Algebra 1

Category: Math **Grade:** 9 **No. of trimesters:** 3 **Credits:** 1

This course extends beyond the content and rigor of Algebra 1 and will explore more advanced linear and quadratic functions. Students will consistently be expected to apply their knowledge to increase understanding of algebraic principles and concepts. Other topics will include factoring, graphing functions, and data analysis. This course requires maximum student responsibility, motivation, and participation. Students in Honors Algebra 1 will begin to receive the necessary preparation for advanced mathematics courses in the senior year such as AP Calculus and AP Statistics.