

# LITERATURE

## WHAT TYPE OF SUBJECT IS LITERATURE?

Literature focuses on the study of literary texts, developing students as independent, innovative, and creative learners and thinkers who appreciate the aesthetic use of language, analyse perspectives and evidence, and challenge ideas and interpretations through the analysis and creation of varied literary texts.

Students engage with language and texts through a range of teaching and learning experiences to foster the skills to communicate effectively. They make choices about generic structures, language, textual features, and technologies to participate actively in the dialogue and detail of literary analysis and the creation of imaginative and analytical texts in a range of modes, mediums, and forms. Students explore how literary texts shape perceptions of the world and enable us to enter the worlds of others. They explore ways in which literary texts may reflect or challenge social and cultural ways of thinking and influence audiences.

## PATHWAYS

A course of study in Literature promotes open-mindedness, imagination, critical awareness and intellectual flexibility - skills that prepare students for local and global citizenship, and for lifelong learning across a wide range of contexts.

## OBJECTIVES

By the conclusion of the course of study, students will:

- Use patterns and conventions of genres to achieve particular purposes in cultural contexts and social situations
- Establish and maintain roles of the writer/speaker/signer/designer and relationships with audiences
- Create and analyse perspectives and representations of concepts, identities, times, and places
- Make use and analyse the ways cultural assumptions, attitudes, values, and beliefs underpin texts and invite audiences to take up positions
- Use aesthetic features and stylistic devices to achieve purposes and analyse their effects in texts
- Select and synthesise subject matter to support perspectives
- Organise and sequence subject matter to achieve particular purposes
- Use cohesive devices to emphasise ideas and connect parts of texts
- Make language choices for particular purposes and contexts
- Use grammar and language structures for particular purposes
- Use mode-appropriate features to achieve particular purposes

## STRUCTURE

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Introduction to Literary Studies	Intertextuality	Literature & Identity	Independent Explorations
Ways literary texts are received & responded to	Ways literary texts connect with each other – genre, concepts, & contexts	Relationship between language, culture, & identity in literary texts	Dynamic nature of literary interpretation
How textual choices affect readers	Ways literary texts connect with each other – style & structure	Power of language to represent ideas, events, & people	Close examination of style, structure, & subject matter
Creating analytical & imaginative texts	Creating analytical & imaginative texts	Creating analytical & imaginative texts	Creating analytical & imaginative texts

## ASSESSMENT

In Units 1 and 2, all assessment is formative. However, the assessment in Units 3 and 4 will model that which students will encounter in Units 3 and 4. In Units 3 and 4 students complete four summative assessments. The results from each of the assessments are added together to provide a subject score out of 100. Students will also receive an overall subject result (A – E).

Unit 3		Unit 4	
Summative Internal Assessment 1 (IA1): Examination – Analytical Written Response	25%	Summative Internal Assessment 3 (IA3): Extended Response – Imaginative Spoken/Written Response	25%
Summative Internal Assessment 2 (IA2): Imaginative Spoken / Multi-modal Response	25%	Summative External Assessment (EA): Examination – Analytical Written Response	25%