



The Lantern English Co.
The Creative Writer

Exploring Genres – Syllabus

Course Description: If you've ever been to a library, you've seen a sample of the plethora of genres used in creative writing. Science fiction, fantasy, historical fiction, young adult—there seems to be an infinite number! This course will provide an introduction to nine of the most common fictional genres, with an eye towards expanding the student's writing repertoire and helping him or her locate favorite genres to write. *Prerequisite: Intro to Creative Writing or equivalent writing experience.*

REQUIREMENT: Students must be willing to write age-appropriate pieces in the eight genres listed below (with their choice of romance or paranormal).

Course Outline:

Week One: The Catch-All - Young Adult (YA)

Week Two: Whole New Worlds - Fantasy

Week Three: Question Everything - Mystery

Week Four: Finding Adventure - Action/Adventure

Week Five: Looking Back - Historical Fiction

Week Six: Looking Ahead - Science Fiction (Sci-Fi)

Week Seven: The Fall - Dystopian

Week Eight: Double Feature - Romance & Paranormal

Grading Information: All assignments will be graded using *The Creative Writer Rubric* and averaged to receive a final course grade.