# English 1A sections 7 & 21 Course Schedule updated 10/10

Table 1 Course Schedule

| Week | Date | Topics, Readings, Assignments, Deadlines |
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| 1 | Th 8/23 | Introduction to the Course, Begin *Declining by Degrees* |
| 2 | T 8/28  Th 8/30 | film: *Declining by Degrees*  \***In-class Essay #1: Diagnostic Essay** |
| 3 | T 9/4  Th 9/6 | Basics of argument, continued  Read: Text pp. 173-185, 188, 191, and “Your So-Called Education” (online)  Writing as Inquiry  Read: Text pp. 3-20 and “Scrimping on College Has Its Own Price” (online)  Due: Self-evaluation survey (to hand in) |
| 4 | T 9/11  Th 9/13 | Discuss the Writing Process, brief in-class writing  Read Text pp. 20-31, Doonesbury (cartoon, handout)  Discuss diagnostics, practice for in-class essay #2  Read: Excerpts from *Battle Hymn of the Tiger Mother* and *Film Club* by Gilmour (online) print out and bring in. |
| 5 | T 9/18  Th 9/20 | **Exploratory Writing**: **The Personal Essay** Writing about Experience, Essay Assignment #1  Read: Text pp. 75-78, 86-95, and “Life is a Spiritual Struggle” (online)  **Book Club Project Introduced**  Read: excerpts from &*Outcasts United* by St-John and *The Pact* (both online)  Due: Response questions to the excerpts AND Personal essay topic proposal |
| 6 | T 9/25  Th 9/27 | **\*In-class essay #2**  The Writing Process for the Personal Essay Read: Text 96-105 |
| 7 | T 10/2  Th 10/4 | **Pick Book Clubs**  Read: Excerpts from *Working in the Shadows*, and *The Translator* (online) Also, look over the descriptions of other choices online, pick two or three you like.  Due: response/analysis to these two sample segments (must be typed). Optional: alternative book ideas due  **Unit Four: Reflecting and Revising**  Read: pp. 363-403, in-class work on introductions, conclusions |
| 8 | Th 10/11 | The Writing Process for an Interview Essay: coming up with questions  Read: Text 282-285 “Performance Philanthropy” (online)  Due: questions on “Performance Philanthropy” |
| 9 | T 10/16  Th 10/18 | Discuss Ethnography and Personal Profile  Read: “Finding My Daughter’s Roots” “Martin Curiel” (on website)  Due: questions for your interview (at least 10)  Peer review workshop, personal essay  Due: rough draft personal essay (2 copies), Topic proposal for interview essay |
| 10 | T 10/23  Th 10/25 | Writing workshop on Interview Essay: Structure, incorporating quotes  Guests visit, group interviews (tentative)  **Due: Personal Essay** |
| 11 | T 10/30  Th 11/1 | Writing Workshop: quoting/paraphrasing Read: text pp. 293-313  Due: progress reports, halfway through book (individual reports)    Book Club time, conferences on book club presentations |
| 12 | T 11/6  Th 11/8 | **\*in-class essay #3**  Post-game analysis of personal essays, portfolio work |
| 13 | T 11/13  Th 11/15 | peer review of Interview essay  Due: rough draft interview essay (2 copies)  Begin film |
| 14 | T 11/20  Th 11/22 | Finish film, discuss **Due: Interview Essay**  \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*THANKSGIVING!\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* |
| 15 | T 11/27  Th 11/29 | Book Club Presentations Due: extra credit film questions  Book Club Presentations |
| 16 | T 12/4  Th 12/6 | Book Club Presentations Due: Book Club Reflection assignment  Final word on portfolios, Review of course, SOTEs  Due 12/10 in my office: **Revised essay, Portfolio, Reflection** |