# **Senior Projects**

Walsh – British Literature 2019-2020 All projects must be typed, double-spaced, unless specified otherwise.

Project Due Date

#### 1. Reflection on First Day of Senior Year

8/27/19

Write a one-page reflection describing your experiences on the first day of your senior year. What goals did you have in mind? What style did you have upon arriving on campus? What were your expectations? Did you have major concerns regarding your last year of "adolescence"?

### 2. Epic Poem Parody

9/25/19

After reading the Old English Epic, *Beowulf*, write a parody of the epic style, but on a topic of less than heroic stature: your walk to school, an encounter with a troublesome sibling, or an experience on campus that you can tell about in an imitation of an epic poem.

(This can be in poetry style – flush left, capital letters for each line, divided into stanzas. You may include illustrations or graphic design for this project)

#### 3. Personal Eulogy

10/03/19

Write your own eulogy – what should people say about you?

### 4. College Essay (Following "What's Next" Module)

10/09/19

The University of California Personal Statement Essay – 8 questions; respond to four in a total of about 1000 words.

## 5. Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

11/04/19

In the course of completing the "What's Next" Expository module, you will create a list of Frequently Asked Questions for your particular post-high school path.

#### 6. "I Know Macbeth" Poem

12/04/19

Include a copy of the poem written as one of the Macbeth Writes, where you looked for sensory images in the dialogue of the play and finished with your favorite quotes from the play.

(This should be in Poetry style – flush left, capital letters at the start of each line. You may also add graphic design to this project if you wish)

#### 7. Toulmin Model of Argumentation Essay

12/10/19

Include a clean copy of your research paper written during the fall semester. (Revise it if there were numerous errors)

### 8. TED Talk Essay (Following "Into The Wild" Module) or "Value of Life" Essay

12/16/19

(Written version for portfolio not due until January 26, 2018)

Revise and type in MLA format the speech you gave as the culminating project for the "Into The Wild" Expository module; alternatively, revise the essay from the "Value of Life" modle.

End of Fall Semester

# 9. Friends from High School

1/24/20

Devote a page or two to the group of friends that has had the most significant impact on your life. Who are they? Why have they had such an impact? Be sure to write honestly and avoid clichés. (Include at least one photograph with a caption).

## 10. A New Modest Proposal

2/11/20

After reading Jonathan Swift's "A Modest Proposal" you will write your own satirical essay in which you recommend an equally satirical solution to a real social problem of today.