



# The University of Suwon

## English through TV Dramas

Autumn 2017

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Study English by watching and learning about fun and entertaining TV shows! We look at popular English dramas and learn useful expressions and vocabulary and then use them in discussion. We learn about storylines, themes, characters and setting. The most important aim is to build your confidence using English to express your own opinion. You can learn practical, useful English by watching exciting and entertaining shows whilst developing your discussion skills!

#### Course Objectives

By the end of the *English through TV Dramas* course students will be able to:

- Learn and use a range of everyday English expressions in the correct context in discussion (Applying)
- Learn and use a variety of English grammatical structures (Applying)
- Discuss TV movements using TV and film terminology. (Creating and Analyzing)
- Present their opinion with a clear and logical structure. (Analyzing and Evaluating)
- Be more confident in the development of all four core English language skills: Listening, reading, writing and speaking. (Applying)

#### Course language

***This course is taught completely in English.*** Students will need to have a good level of English to read and understand the contents and to complete the assignments.

#### Course guidelines, requirements and expectations

All students must;

- use the required text/material and download or prepare any other materials required by the teacher.
- act respectfully and courteously in class at all times.
- place all handphones on **silent** and **do not use them** unless asked to by the teacher.

- be on time and be prepared.
- attend and participate actively in all classes.
- complete all required readings, assignments and exams.

## Required texts/materials

There is no book for this course. All materials are provided online on Blackboard.

## Course website

<https://blackboard.suwon.ac.kr/>

<http://ic.suwon.ac.kr/>

## Course policies

To complete a course, students must attend at least 75% of classes. That is, if students miss a course **more than four times**, they will fail the course.

### Absences:

- There are NO excused absences

### Lateness:

- 3 times late = 1 absence.
- Students who arrive late should tell the teacher if attendance has already been taken.

### Assessment:

- Missing any assessments results in an automatic F for the class.
- Assessment will be by class participation, presentation, exam and written essay.
- Makeup exams are allowed but will be docked points.
- Cheating is not tolerated and will result in an automatic F.

### Grading:

Attendance: 25%

Participation = 30%

Midterm/ Final = 20%

Homework = 25%

**NOTE:** The course will be graded on a curve (relative grading).

## Autumn 2017 Elective Schedule

### English through TV Dramas Schedule

Date	Lesson content
Week 1	Introduction to the Course
Week 2	Using Blackboard
Week 3	TV Drama Vocabulary, Discussion skills and TV Drama Reviews.
Week 4	Listening Skills and Scene Analysis.
Week 5	<i>Friends</i> - Sitcoms and Everyday Idioms and Phrases..
Week 06	<i>Marvel's Daredevil</i> - Comic book Adaptions and Superheroes
Week 07	<i>Marvel's Daredevil</i> - Everyday idioms and Present Perfect and Conditional Sentences.
Week 08	Midterm
Week 09	<i>Prison Break</i> - Drama adaptions. Crime Vocabulary.
Week 10	<i>The Walking Dead</i> - Analysis and Discussion.
Week 11	<i>Sherlock</i> - Adaptions from Fiction. Situational English.
Week 12	<i>Stranger Things</i> - Analysis and Discussion
Week 13	<i>Black Mirror</i> - Social Media and Making predictions about the Future.-
Week 14	Final project Assignment
Week 15	<b>Final</b>
Week 16	Make-up Week

**NOTE:** The course content listed above is subject to change.