

Semester Agenda

- Subject to change as needed
- Keep up with the schedule in the event of class cancellation
- Books: Practical Argument (PA) , The Bedford Handbook (BH), and Blackboard (BB)
- Grade Breakdown and Homework (HW) assignments found at bottom of this document

August/September			
Tuesday	Thursday	Tuesday	Thursday
<p>16 Class Activities: Introductions; review syllabus; in-class writing</p> <p>Due Today:</p> <p>Homework: Buy books; print & review syllabus and agenda; Fill out course agreement (on last page of syllabus) and student info sheet (BB)</p>	<p>18 Class Activities: Syllabus Quiz; Active reading; Emailing</p> <p>Due Today: Course agreement and student info sheet</p> <p>Homework: Read Ch. 2 (PA 36-39) Ch. 3 (PA 53-57), “Coldplay Accused of Plagiarism,” and “Generation Plagiarism” (BB); complete HW 1</p>	<p>23 Class Activities: Discuss reading; Highlighting and annotating; Introduce Essay 1</p> <p>Due Today:</p> <p>Homework: Print and read Essay 1 handout (BB); Review BH 4a and 55a; Finish HW 1 (for list of HW descriptions, see end of document)</p>	<p>25 Class Activities: Organization and structure; Continue Essay 1</p> <p>Due Today: Printed Essay 1 handout; HW 1 (no later than the start of class time)</p> <p>Homework: Complete HW 2; Find & print 1 essay from <i>This I Believe</i> website (BB)</p>
<p>30 Class Activities: Idioms, clichés, and figures of speech; Discuss printed essays</p> <p>Due Today: HW 2; Printed <i>This I Believe</i> essay</p> <p>Homework: Read 18e & 18f (BH 221-223); Read student sample (BB)</p>	<p>1 Class Activities: Discuss student sample</p> <p>Due Today: Read student sample</p> <p>Homework: Complete HW 3; Draft Essay 1; print “English 101 Rubric” (BB)</p>	<p>6 Class Activities: Comma Quiz; Revising and editing</p> <p>Due Today: HW 3; Rough draft Essay 1</p> <p>Homework: Read Section 32 (BH 354-371); Revise Essay 1 for submission; Print and read Essay 1 handout (BB)</p>	<p>8 Class Activities: Begin Essay 2; Thesis statements & organization</p> <p>Due Today: Essay 1; Printed Essay 2 handout</p> <p>Homework: Read Ch. 4 (PA 70-79); Read 51b—52b (BH 499-512)</p>

<p>13 Class Activities: Quoting & paraphrasing; begin MLA format</p> <p>Due Today:</p> <p>Homework: Complete outline of Essay 2; Review Section 53 (BH 517-529)</p>	<p>15 Class Activities: Continue MLA format; Outlines; continue Essay 2</p> <p>Due Today:</p> <p>Homework: Complete HW 4; Review Ch. 10 (PA 265-274)</p>	<p>20 Class Activities: Introductions & conclusions</p> <p>Due Today: HW 4</p> <p>Homework: Read Ch. 1 (BH 25-32, 34-35)</p>	<p>22 Class Activities: Paragraphs & transitions</p> <p>Due Today:</p> <p>Homework: Complete HW 5; Read Ch. 3 (BH 62-66)</p>
<p>27 Class Activities: Review run-on sentences; Run-on Quiz</p> <p>Due Today: HW 5</p> <p>Homework: Draft Essay 2; Read student sample (BB)</p>	<p>29 Class Activities: Revising and editing; Review student sample</p> <p>Due Today: Read student sample; Rough draft Essay 2</p> <p>Homework: Read Ch. 9 (PA 250-257); Read “Shame in Academic Writing” (BB)</p>		

October			
Tuesday	Thursday	Tuesday	Thursday
<p>4 Class Activities: Avoiding plagiarism; Discuss peer review</p> <p>Due Today:</p> <p>Homework: Read Ch. 11 (PA 282-285)</p>	<p>6 Class Activities: Continue Essay 2</p> <p>Due Today:</p> <p>Homework: Revise Essay 2 for submission; Print and read Essay 3 handout (BB)</p>	<p>11 No class</p>	<p>13 Class Activities: Begin Essay 3; brainstorming</p> <p>Due Today: Essay 2; Printed Essay 3 handout</p> <p>Homework: Read Ch. 14 (385-393 + <u>read one</u> Harry Potter essay of your choice at end of chapter)</p>

<p>18 Class Activities: Multiple viewpoints; Discuss reading; Group work</p> <p>Due Today:</p> <p>Homework: Complete HW 6; Write two possible topics for Essay 3 (one for back-up); <u>Skim headings only</u> for Ch. 18-27 in <i>Practical Argument</i> for ideas (TofC)</p>	<p>20 Class Activities: Research strategies</p> <p>Due Today: HW 6; Check topics with Mr. Bose in class</p> <p>Homework: Read Ch. 8 (PA 219-226); Bring in one piece of research from college library databases; Skim Ch. 46 (BH 438-446)</p>	<p>25 Class Activities: Evaluating sources</p> <p>Due Today: Printed research</p> <p>Homework: Compile research and notes for class; Read student sample (BB); Skim Ch. 46 (BH 464-470)</p>	<p>27 Class Activities: Review MLA Format; discuss student sample</p> <p>Due Today: Read student sample; Bring in all research & notes</p> <p>Homework: Outline Essay 3; Complete HW 7</p>
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November/December			
Tuesday	Thursday	Tuesday	Thursday
<p>1 Class Activities: Revise and edit; Pronoun-antecedent agreement; Subject-verb agreement</p> <p>Due Today: Outline Essay 3; HW 7</p> <p>Homework: Draft Essay 3; Complete HW 8</p>	<p>3 Class Activities: S/V & Prn Agr Quiz; Review in-class writing assignment</p> <p>Due Today: Rough draft of Essay 3; HW 8</p> <p>Homework: Read research articles for in-class writing (BB)</p>	<p>8 Class Activities: In-class writing assignment</p> <p>Due Today:</p> <p>Homework: Revise Essay 3 for submission</p>	<p>10 Class Activities: Continue in-class assignment</p> <p>Due Today: Essay 3</p> <p>Homework: Read Ch. 17 (PA 482-495); Read student sample (BB); Print and read Essay 4 handout (BB)</p>

<p>15 Class Activities: Begin Essay 4; Brainstorming; Discuss argument and counter- argument; Review students sample</p> <p>Due Today: Read student sample; Printed Essay 4 handout</p> <p>Homework: Skim Ch. 6 (BH 118-129); Complete HW 9</p>	<p>17 Class Activities: Discuss reading; Organization & outline; Continue Essay 4</p> <p>Due Today: HW 9</p> <p>Homework: Read Section 19 (BH 226-234)</p>	<p>22 Class Activities: Fragment Quiz; research</p> <p>Due Today:</p> <p>Homework: Continue researching; Draft Essay 4; Complete HW 10</p>	<p>24 No class</p>
<p>29 Class Activities: Revise and edit</p> <p>Due Today: Rough draft Essay 4; HW 10</p> <p>Homework: Revise Essay 4 for submission</p>	<p>1 Class Activities: Prepare for Final exam</p> <p>Due Today: Essay 4</p> <p>Homework:</p>	<p>6 Final Exam 1:30 p.m.- 4:00 p.m. Location: 104/204</p> <p>Bring both textbooks, paper, and pen/pencil.</p>	<p>8</p>

Grade Breakdown:

Essay 1.....	100 pts
Essay 2.....	100 pts
Essay 3.....	100 pts
Essay 4.....	100 pts
In-class writing.....	150 pts
Final Exam.....	100 pts
Participation.....	100 pts
Homework.....	100 pts (10 pts each)
Rough Drafts.....	100 pts (25 pts each)
Quizzes.....	50 pts
Total.....	1000 points

Grade Scale

- A= 900-1000 points
- B= 800-899 points
- C= 700-799 points
- D= 600-699 points
- F= 599 points or less

Homework Assignments (typed and submitted hard copy by start of class; blogs due online by 11:59 PM)		
Assignment	Exercises	Due
HW 1	BB - Blog 1 (Introduction)	25 August
HW 2	PA - Ex. 1.2 & 1.3 (p. 29)	30 August
HW 3	BH - Ex. 18.3 & 18.4 (pp. 221-223: Numbers only)	6 September
HW 4	BB - Blog 2 (Audience, purpose, and context)	20 September
HW 5	BH - Ex. 20-1, 20-2, 20-3 (pp. 241-243: Numbers only & type out paragraph)	27 September
HW 6	BB - Blog 3 (Evaluating Arguments)	20 October
HW 7	PA - Ex. 16.1 (p. 456)	1 November
HW 8	BH - Ex. 21-1, 21-2, 22-1 (pp. 254-261: Numbers only; type out only subject + verb in 21-1)	3 November
HW 9	PA - Ex. 17 & 17.8. (p. 517 - include before & after paragraphs)	17 November
HW 10	BB - Blog 4 (Ethical Principles)	29 November