Syllabus for: (name of class) Analytical Reading and Writing		
Semester & Year:	Fall 2012	
Course ID and Section Number:	Engl 1-A –E1692 031692	
Number of Credits/Units:	4	
Day/Time:	TTH 5:30-7:35 FM 206	
Location:		
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Course Description (catalog description as described in course outline): A transfer-level course in critical reading and reasoned writing. Students analyze issues and claims presented in visual, oral or written arguments and write analytical and argumentative essays based on those issues. Research and source-based writing, employing correct MLA documentation, is required

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**Required Text and Material** 

Bedford Handbook 8th Edition

Class Booklet (available in bookstore)

A binder to hold booklet, in-class writing and notes.

**Course Requirements** 

Two out-of-class essays of 1000-2000 words. One Researched Paper of 2000 words, requiring working bibliography of , at least, three sources. Each essay must include a prewrite and one

rough draft.

Essay One 100 points

Prewrite/Rough Draft

25 points

Essay Two

100 points

Prewrite/Rough Draft 25 points

Essay Three 120 points

Prewrite/Rough Draft 25 points

Timed Writing 50 points

Grammar Quizzes 50 points

Homework 50 points

#### Turnitin.com

All out-of-class essays must be submitted to turnitin.com by the date and time specified. Failure to do so will result in zero points for the essay. The class id# and password will be posted so that you may submit your essay to this website.

#### **Make-up Quizzes**

Students will have the opportunity to make-up grammar quizzes during the class meeting following the one they missed.

#### **Portfolio**

Please save all of your work including prewriting and rough drafts so that you can verify your own improvement.

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## **Absence/Submission Policy**

Students are expected to attend all sessions of each class for which they are enrolled. If students exceed 4 absences before week 11, they will be dropped. After week 10, excessive absences will likely result in failure..

Late papers will not be accepted.

# Daily Reading Calendar

Aug 28	Introduction to the Writing Process
Aug 30	BH 1-35
Sept 4	BH 36-61
Sept 6	BH 61-83,
Sept 11	BH 85-103, CB 1-15
Sept 13	Library Tour
Sept 18	BH 104-118 CB 16-23
Sept 20	BH 118-128
Sept 25	BH 141-150, CB 24-26
Sept 27	BH 151-168
Oct 2	BH 169-189, CB 27-39
Oct 4	BH 191-202, CB 40-46
Oct 9	BH 203-215
Oct 11	BH 216-224, CB 47-51
Oct 16	BH 226-234
Oct 18	BH 235-242
Oct 23	BH 243-255, CB 52-54

Oct 25	BH 256-261, CB 55-60
Oct 30	BH 262-267, CB 61-66
Nov 1	BH 268-274
Nov 6	BH 275-279, CB 67-70
Nov 8	BH 280-287, CB 71-73
Nov 13	BH 288-297
Nov 15	BH 297-305
Nov 20	BH 353-359, CB 74-76
Nov 22	Thanksgiving Holiday
Nov 27	BH 361-372, CB 77-78
Nov 29	BH 372-387, CB 78-88
Dec 4	BH 387-407, CB 88-101

# Essay Topics and Submission Dates

Conclusion

Dec 6

Essay One What is American Exceptionalism?

Rough Draft/Prewrite Sept 18 25 points

Final Draft Sept 27 100 points

Essay Two Identify and Explain the contemporary significance of two "American" values.

Rough Draft/Prewrite Oct 18 25 points

Final Draft Nov 1 100 points

Essay Three What, to the Millenial Generation, is the American Dream?

This 2000 word researched paper must contain, at least, three sources and include an annotated bibligraphy.

Rough Draft/Prewrite Nov 20 25 points

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