Syllabus for: (name of class) English 1AAnalytical Reading and Writing	
Semester & Year:	Fall 2016
Course ID and Section Number:	ENGL-1A-E0587 (040587)
Number of Credits/Units:	4.0
Day/Time:	MW 2:50-4:55pm
Location:	Student Services/Admin. Bldg. Room 109
Instructor's Name:	J. Gonzalez
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Course Description (catalog description as described in course outline):

English 1A is a course in transfer-level expository and argumentative writing with critical reading of nonfiction, fiction, and poetry. A substantial research paper utilizing proper MLA documentation is required.

Student Learning Outcomes (as described in course outline):

- 1. Analyze argumentative claims.
- **2.** Respond to arguments with persuasive critical essays.
- **3.** Locate, synthesize, and document sources for use in response to arguments.
- **4.** Revise and edit for sentence structure and mechanics.

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Academic Misconduct: Cheating, plagiarism, collusion, abuse of resource materials, computer misuse, fabrication or falsification, multiple submissions, complicity in academic misconduct, and/ or bearing false witness will not be tolerated. Violations will be dealt with according to the procedures and sanctions proscribed by the College of the Redwoods. Students caught plagiarizing or cheating on exams will receive an "F" in the course.

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English 1A

Analytical Reading and Writing Fall 2016 MW 2:50-4:55pm

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Catalog Description

English 1A is 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.

Prerequisite: Passing English 150 with a C grade or better, or assessment recommendation for English 1A. **Note:** Familiarity and facility with computers and their programs (CR Gmail and Canvas/Microsoft Word/Power Point) is highly recommended!!

Required Texts

Hacker, Diana. The Bedford Handbook, 9th Ed. Boston: Bedford/St.Martin's, 2011.

Behrens, Laurence and Rosen, Leonard J. Writing and Reading Across the Curriculum, 12th Ed. Boston: Longman, 2013.

Manuscript Format

Use Times New Roman font, size 12, double-spaced, .5 inch indentation for paragraphs (no extra spacing between paragraphs), 1 inch margins all around, with page numbers preceded by your last name at top right, all pages stapled. Your name, instructor's name, class, assignment label, date, and word count should be double-spaced and aligned left at top of first page; title is centered.

Course Requirements

<u>Essay Writing</u>: three out-of-class, formal essays of 1000-2000 words. (Note: these essays will advance in point value from 50-100-200.) Each essay must include a pre-write and at least two drafts (Rough/Final). Please save all work that goes into your papers! In addition, we will have at least two scored timed essays using the University of California Subject A Format before the final written exam. These will also advance in value, the last being worth twice the first.

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Expectations

- 1. You should attend class regularly, asking questions, participating in discussion, and demonstrating cooperation with class members in an effort to maturely and intelligently discuss the material. (See "Notes" section below for further information).
- 2. You should attend at least one office conference, preferably during the first six weeks of the semester.
- 3. If you miss or are unable to attend class, it is **your responsibility** to contact me about your absence. I have many students, and my attention will always go first to those who are in class.

Assignment Requirements

- 1. You must hand in all assignments on time unless you make prior arrangements.
- 2. You must submit all out-of-class papers to course assignment link on Canvas.
- 3. You must keyboard all out-of-class essay assignments.
- 4. You must successfully complete all assigned essays (including in-class essays), a culminating paper, and a portfolio.

Office Hours

I usually will be available in the LRC on Wednesdays from 12:00-1:00pm. I have no Writing Lab shifts this semester, but since I have other academic obligations during various times of the semester, I highly recommend scheduling an appointment with in the LRC if possible.

Grades

English 1A is graded A, A-, B+, B, B-, C+, C, D, F. If you successfully meet all course requirements, your final grade will be calculated as follows:

Class preparation and participation	15%
Quizzes/Grammar Work	15%
Essays	30%
Portfolio	
Research Paper	20%

Notes

- 1. You are responsible for all of your own work. While I encourage collaborative study groups and tutoring, any plagiarism, cheating, or disruptive behavior will result in immediate referral to the Campus Dean and the "Student Code of Conduct Standards."
- 2. Cell phones and other personal electronic devices are not part of English 1A. Do not bring them to class unless they are turned off or set on the vibrate mode. If you must take a call, quietly leave the room. Texting is never appropriate during class, and it will affect your final course grade if you choose to text in class.
- 3. If you have a disability, you are invited to meet with me to identify any special needs that you may have in English 1A. Please communicate your needs during the first week of the semester.
- 4. Laptops and tablets should not be open or powered on during class discussions, but can be used when the instructor allows.
- 5. This syllabus is subject to change should circumstances warrant revision.

"You fail only if you stop writing." -- Ray Bradbury

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Course Calendar and Assignment Schedule

The following information is to be used as a guide for the work you will be expected to do each week. The **BOLD** type is your guide for when your major writing assignments and essays will be assigned, then due as rough and final drafts, and finally returned. **The assigned work listed for each date is your homework.** This is the work you should have done by the NEXT class session (ex. All the work listed on Aug. 29th needs to be completed by the time class begins on Aug. 31st). Please note that although some of the dates will inevitably change, the sequence of the work most likely will not. This outline can also be found in the Syllabus Section of this class' Canvas website, so use it as your primary reference to determine where the course is heading and the work you need to do.

Key: WRAC--Writing and Reading Across the Curriculum, 12th Edition; BED--The Bedford Handbook, 9TH Edition

Week 1

8/29 WRAC—Chapter 1 **Syllabus Quiz Assignment (see Assignments Link in Canvas)**All students must log in to Canvas and CR Email

8/31 BED—Section 1

Summary Essay Assigned

Week 2

9/5 BED—Section 39/7 WRAC—Chapter 2

No Class—Labor Day Summary Due

Week 3

9/12 WRAC—Chapter 3, then read pp. 686-688 **Sample Argumentative Essay Assigned** BED—Section 4

9/14 WRAC—Begin Chapter 4 BED—Section 5

Summary Returned

Week 4

9/19 BED—Section 2

WRAC—Finish Chapter 4

9/21 WRAC—No reading

BED—Sections 6, 7 (Quiz 9/26)

Sample Argumentative Essay Due

Week 5

9/26 WRAC—Begin Chapter 5, pp. 129-154

BED—Section 8

9/28 WRAC— Finish Chapter 5, pp. 154-177

BED—Section 9

Sample Argumentative Essay Returned

Week 6

10/3 WRAC—Begin Chapter 13, pp. 478-513 **Timed Write #1**

BED—Sections 10, 11

10/5 WRAC—Finish Chapter 13, pp. 514-544

BED—Sections 12, 13 Synthesis #1 Activity Discussion (Choose activity)

Week 7

10/10 BED—Sections 14, 15

10/12 BED— Sections 16, 17 Sample Argumentative Essay Returned

Week 8

10/17 BED— Section 18

10/19 BED— Section 32, 33 Synthesis #1 Plan Due

Week 9

10/24 BED—Sect. 32 Synthesis #1 Rough Draft Due--Bring 2 copies to Class

10/26 BED—Section 19 Research Paper Assigned

Week 10

10/31 BED—Section 20 Synthesis #1 Final Draft Due

11/2 BED—Sections 21, 22

WRAC—Begin Reading Chapter 15, pp. 619-638 Timed Write #2

Week 11

11/7 BED—Sections 23, 24

WRAC—Finish Chapter 15, pp. 638-661; Review Synthesis Activities, pp. 662-664

11/9 BED— Sections 25, 26 Synthesis #2 Activity Discussion--Choose Activity in Class

Week 12

11/14 BED—Section 27 Research Plan Due (Hard Copy and Canvas)

11/16 BED—Section 34 **Draft Workshop #2—Bring 2 Copies to Class**

Week 13

11/21 BED— Sections 35 Final Draft Synthesis #2 Due

11/23 BED— Sections 36, 37 **Synthesis #1 Returned to Class/**

WRAC— Chapter 9, pp. 258-272 **Portfolio Workshop #1**

Week 14

11/28 BED-- Sections 38, 39 **Synthesis #2 Returned to Class/Portfolio Workshop #2** WRAC— Chapter 9, pp. 272-285 **Drafting Research Paper/ Working on Portfolio**

Whate chapter 9, pp. 272 200 Drawing Research 1 aper 7 Working on 1 or 10.

11/30 BED—Sections 46-55 due Research Rough Drafts Submitted (optional)

Week 15

12/5 12/7

Working on Portfolio or Research Paper Research Paper Final Draft Due

Week 16—Finals Week

12/12 No Class— Polishing and Revising for Portfolio/Finishing All Incomplete Work

12/14 Last Class Meeting Final Portfolio Due