Fall 2015 English 110: 504

**Accelerated Composition** 

CRN: 51179: 504: MW 3:00-4:15 pm

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# **Assignment Syllabus**

\*NB—this syllabus is subject to change

- The assignment syllabus is a tentative schedule of assignments. Any changes will be announced in class.
- Students who miss class must check the syllabus to ensure they are prepared for the next class period or email the instructor.
- All assignments must be read by the date indicated and students are expected to bring the texts we are discussing for the day to class.
- LEARN POSTS are due one week after posted due date.
- The following texts are required:
  - o Practical Argument : Kizner & Mandell
  - O A Pocket Style Manual: Hacker & Sommers

# **Required Work and Grading:**

All formal writing assignments must follow MLA format and be typewritten, double-spaced in a 12pt, Times New Roman font.

• 3 Essays: 100 points each	300 pts
• 1 Midterm Essay	30 pts
1 PowerPoint grammar group presentation	25 pts
<ul> <li>9 Grammar quizzes: 5 points each</li> </ul>	45 pts
• 10 Blackboard Learn posts: 10 points each	100 pts
• 3 Writing Workshops: 5 points each	15 pts
<ul> <li>In-Class Assignments</li> </ul>	40 pts
• 3 essays Outlines	30 pts
Final Grammar Examination	100 pts
<ul> <li>Portfolio</li> </ul>	400 pts
Total Possible Points	1050 pts

Grades will be determined on a traditional percentage system, with the appropriate plus or minus sign: 100-90% = A (1050-950 points); 89-80% = B (950-850 points); 79-73% = C (849-770 points); 69-60% = D (745-725); and below = F. You need a "C" (73% or 770 points) to pass this course.

#### Week 1

#### M 8/17- Course Introduction

# Syllabus, Blackboard, Assignments, Grading

\*Homework for 8/19: 1) Practice email 2) Practice Learn Post

# W 8/19- Writing Resources

- Commonly Confused Words Presentation
- In-Class Personal Essay Assign Grammar Powerpoint Presentations:

\*Homework for 8/24:1) Quiz #1 due on Blackboard 2) Read *Practical Arguments* Chapter 1

#### Week 2-

M 8/24—Four Pillars of Argument

- Argument Personal Essay Exercise
  - ----Sherman Alexie and TBD
- Description and Invention, and Prewriting

\*Homework for 8/26: 1)Learn Post #1: Complete Personal Essay 2) Read *Practical Arguments* Chapter 2-3

#### W 8/26-- Personal essay vs Academic essay

- Visual Arguments
- Examples: Online Journals

\*Homework for 8/31: 1) Learn Post #2: Response to a Visual Argument

#### Week 3

M 8/31--Thesis Statements

- Issues of Definition, Evaluation, Causations, Recommendation
- Paragraph Construction

\*Homework for 9/2: 1) Read Practical Arguments Chapter 4

# W 9/2—Rhetorical Appeals

- Fragment Presentation
- Logos, Ethos and Pathos
- Quote and Source Integration
- Paragraph & Ouote writing exercise

\*Homework for 9/7: 1) Learn Post #3: Ethos, Pathos and Logos 2) Quiz#2 3) Read *Practical Arguments* Chapter 7

# Week 4

M 9/7- Prewriting and Introduction to Essay Writing

- Planning an Argumentative Essay
- Outlines
- Run-on Sentence Presentation

\*Homework for 9/9: 1) Read *Practical Arguments* Chapter 8 2) Learn Post #4: Topic, thesis statement and introductory paragraph

# W 9/9—Reading critically through sources: Computer Lab TBD

- DEFINITION ESSAY Assignment
- Outline and Sources

\*Homework for 9/14: 1) Read Practical Arguments Chapter 9 2) Learn Post #5: Outline

#### Week 5

# M 9/14 –Computer Lab

- Compose Rough Draft
- Capitalization and Italics Presentation
- Summaries v. Paraphrase v. Quotations

\*Homework for 9/16: 1) Finish Rough Draft 2) Quiz # 4

# W 9/16 –Essay #1 Peer Review

BRING 3 COPIES OF YOUR ROUGH DRAFT TO CLASS.

\*Homework for 9/21: Final Draft of Essay #1

#### Week 6

#### M 9/21-- Due: ESSAY #1 FINAL DRAFT

- Grammar Review- In Class
- Creative Arguments- as an example of Definition Arguments

\*Homework for 9/23: 1) Finish Creative Assignment

# W 9/23-Causation Arguments

• Pronoun Presentations

\*Homework for 9/28: 1) Learn Post #6: Causal Analysis 2) Quiz #5

#### Week 7

# M 9/28—Detailed Outlines

- CAUSATION ESSAY #2 Assignment
- Cause and Effect Analysis

\*Homework for 9/30: 1) Learn Post #5: Causal Chain

#### W 9/30—LIBRARY VISIT TBA

• Quotation Marks Presentation

# \*Homework for 10/5:

1) Choose a Cause and Effect research topic and write a Thesis Statement 2) Quiz #6

# Week 8

# M 10/5—COMPUTER LAB

Write a Detailed outline for your Essay.

\*Homework for 10/7: 1) Detailed Outline and List of Sources

#### W 10/7—COMPUTER LAB

- Quotation Marks Presentation
- Rough Drafts

\*Homework for 3/17: 1) Typed draft of your Essay #2 for Peer Review- 3 copies 2) Quiz #6

#### **FALL BREAK October 8-9**

#### Week 9

M 10/12 Due: Essay Draft for Peer Review

- Apostrophe Presentations
- In-Class Peer Review Workshops

\*Homework for 10/14: 1) Final Draft 2) Quiz#7

# W 10/14—Due: Essay #2 Final Draft

• In Class Creative Analysis of Causation example

\*Homework for 10/19: 1) Read Bless Me, Ultima handout 2) Learn Post #6: TBA

# Week 10- READING NEW MEXICO WEEK

M 10/19—Bless Me, Ultima

\*Homework for 10/21: 1) Read Folk Tale handout

#### W 10/21—New Mexican Folktales

\*Homework for 10/26 1) Learn Post #7: Write a Folktale with New Mexican inspiration

## TH 10/22—Reading NM Panel

# Week 11- Duende Assignment: Federico Garcia Lorca

M 10/26- TBA

W 10/28 -TBA

#### Week 12

M 11/2— Overview of Fallacies

**Comma Presentations** 

**Essay Assignment: EVALUATION or RECOMMENDATION** 

-- Examples of New Mexico Related Topics

\*Homework for 11/4: 1)Read Practical Arguments Chapter 5 3) Quiz #8

# W 11/4 – In-Class assignment on Recommendation Arguments

• Rogerian v. Toulmin Logic

\*Homework for 11/9: 1) Read Practical Arguments Chapter 6 2) Write your Topic,

Thesis Statement and Introduction for Essay #3

# Week 13

M 11/9 -- COMPUTER LAB to Research for Essay #3

Parallelism Presentaions LOGIC ANALYSIS

OUTLINES

\*Homework for 11/11: 1) Logic Analysis 2) Outline 3) Quiz #9

# W 11/11—COMPUTER LAB--Bring your research

**ROUGH DRAFTS** 

\*Homework for 11/16: 1) Rough Draft for Peer Review- 3 copies 2)Learn Post #9:

Works Cited Page

# Week 14

M 11/16— In-Class Peer Review Workshop

\*Homework for 11/18: 1) Essay #3 Final Draft

W 11/18-- ESSAY #3 DUE

# **Week 15**

M 11/23— COMPUTER LAB

**Overview of Final Portfolio** 

**Grammar Review** 

• Schedule Conferences

\*Homework for 11/25: Learn Post #10 Self-Evaluation

W 11/25- Conferences

#### Week 16

M 11/30- Meet in Computer Lab

• FINAL PORTFOLIO WORKSHOP

Please bring the essays you plan to revise and a jump drive to back up your work.

# W 12/2-Meet in Computer Lab

• FINAL PORTFOLIO WORKSHOP

Please bring the essays you plan to revise and a jump drive to back up your work.

# **Portfolios Due- TBD**

Final Grammar TBD

