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Course Syllabus for ENG 10810 College Writing and Research

Departmental Course Description

ENG 108 students will complete three formal research based projects in addition to other graded and ungraded work. In these assignments, students will learn how to analyze, synthesize, and evaluate the thinking of others in order to discover, develop, and test their own points of view. Final drafts of all formal writing assignments must be word processed. All students are expected to be prepared for class and participate in class discussions related to reading and writing assignments. In addition, students will keep complete portfolios of all their writings. (See attached handout and Web listing at www.missouriwestern.edu/eflj/lg/eng108.html#Course for list of objectives and institutional competencies for this General Studies course.)

Required Texts:

Barnet, Sylvan and Hugo Bedau. *Current Issues and Enduring Questions: A Guide to Critical Thinking and Argument, with Readings*. 6th ed. Boston: Bedford/St. Martin's, 2002.

Hult, Christine A. and Huckin, Thomas N. *The New Century Handbook*. Boston: Allyn and Bacon, 1999. (With CD-ROM)

Class Web site: Join "College Writing and Research" at <webct.mwsc.edu>

Course Grade:

Points will be awarded for all projects. At the end of the semester, I will divide your points by the number of possible points and award grades on the basis of the following percentages:

90-99% Course Grade A

80-89% Course Grade B

70-79% Course Grade C

60-69% Course Grade D

Below 60% Course Grade F

I anticipate the following number of possible points for the semester:

Up to 100 possible points for in-class discussions and out-of-class journaling/reflection, usually regarding our texts and/or other assigned readings, which will be allocated in 5 - 10 points per activity. No make-ups or late work will be accepted for these activities.

150 possible points for Research Project # 1. (An analysis of one of the essays contained in the "Arguments for Analysis" section in Barnet, 147-218. Assignment details and scoring rubric will be posted on our class Web site by January 29.)

250 possible points for Research Project # 2. (An analysis of opposing viewpoints on a topic in essays published in Barnet, Part Four, and/or about the topic in the *Current Issues and Enduring Questions* Web site. Assignment details and scoring rubric will be posted on our class Web site by February 14.)

350 possible points for Research Project #3. (A research paper in which you 'take a stand' about an issue (develop an argument) after studying and researching all of the readings in a chapter in Barnet, "Part Five: Current Issues: Casebooks" or "Part Six: Enduring Questions: Essays, Stories, Poems, and a Play." Assignment details and scoring rubric will be posted on our class Web site by March 7.)

300 possible points for Course Portfolio. (The course portfolio will contain the three graded copies of the papers written for Research Project # 1, # 2, and #3 and a revision of one of the three research projects. The final piece in the portfolio, a reflective essay describing how your writing, researching, critical thinking repertoire has changed as a result of completing the three research projects, will be written during the final exam session on Thursday May 2. **Failure to be present at the final exam session will result in 0 points for the course portfolio.**)

Attendance Policy:

Come to class. There are no makeup points for missing work completed in class.

Due Dates:

Papers and projects are due at the beginning of the hour on the assigned date. Late submissions will be lowered points equivalent to one letter grade per day late.

Students with Disabilities:

Any student in this course who has a disability that prevents or hinders the completion of class requirements must notify me immediately so that provisions may be made for any assistance which is needed.

Honesty Policy:

It is expected that all students will submit their own work. Plagiarism or cheating on papers or tests is not acceptable. The first instance of plagiarism will result in a grade of 'F.' The second instance will result in an 'F' for the course.

Course Plan

(Detailed assignments, handouts and materials will be distributed in class and/or posted throughout the semester on our course Web site. Readings listed below should be completed prior to the class sessions on these dates.)

T 1/15 Course introductions

Th 1/17 Barnet, 1-27: Chapter 1; Hult 1-8: Chapter 1

T 1/22 Barnet, 27-42: Chapter 2; Hult 9-20: Chapter 2

Th 1/24 Barnet, 42-58: Chapter 2; Jult 20-41: Chapter 3

T 1/29 Barnet, 59-97: Chapter 3; Hult: 42-59, Chapter 4

Th 1/31 No class - Frick is a proposal reviewer for National Writing Project in Atlanta

T 2/5 Barnet, 98-130: Chapter 3; Hult: 60-88, Chapter 5

Th 2/7 Barnet, 147-218: Chapter 4 and 5; Hult: 387-420, Chapter 6

T 2/12 Barnet, 218-287: Chapter 6

Th 2/14 **Research Project # 1 is due**

Barnet, 462, 498-514 Chapter 16

T 2/19 Barnet, 289-298: Chapter 7; Hult, 111-134

Th 2/21 Hult, 457-471: Chapter 7

T 2/26 Barnet, 298-338: Chapter 8

Th 2/28 No class - Frick is at Write to Learn Conference at Osage Beach

T 3/5 Barnet, 339-379; Chapter 8

Th 3/7 Research Project # 2 is due

3/10 - 3/17 Spring Break (no classes)

T 3/19 Hult, 185-248

W 3/20 Mid-term Grades submitted

Th 3/21 Barnet, 416-425: Chapter 71

T 3/26 Barnet, 425-465: Chapter 12

Th 3/28 Barnet, 527-539: Chapter 19

F 3/29 Last day to drop classes

T 4/2 Barnet, 539-557: Chapter 19

Th 4/4 Barnet, 741-766: Chapter 27

T 4/9 Barnet, 766-780: Chapter 27

Th 4/11 Barnet, 780-808: Chapter 27

T 4/16

Th 4/18 Research Project # 3 is due

T 4/23

Th 4/25

T 4/30 Course Portfolio (minus reflective essay) is due

Final Exam: ENG 10810 - Thursday, May 2: 11:30 a.m. - 1:20 p.m., JGM 106