

Please note that the grading scale has been significantly altered for your benefit.

The definition essay has been deleted, and the compare and contrast essay you wrote in class is now worth 100 points instead of 75.

Even though we wrote only 3 of the 5 in-class writings, I have added 40 points to everyone's score, as if those two writings were completed.

There are only two more required assignments – the process paper and the final argument paper.

I have lowered the accumulated point score from 1000 to 900.

What all of this means is that I have made it considerably easier to pass this class. In exchange for that, I have two requirements covering those two papers:

1. They must follow the posted rubrics regarding topics, format, and paper length.
2. They must be submitted by the deadlines indicated: no exceptions.

If you follow these rules, you have an excellent chance of a passing grade; if you ignore them, the paper grade will be zero.

Papers and Grading Policy

All papers not written in class must be typed and double spaced, and should follow the conventions of grammar, spelling, punctuation and organization by MLA format. Students will write 5 short essays in class for specific chapters, 2 pages in length, and a final paper of 5 - 7 pages. In addition, students will take 5 grammar quizzes and 5 reading quizzes. **If you miss the in-class work, there is no opportunity to make it up.** Late papers are not accepted without documented proof of funeral, illness, court date, etc. and are also limited by the specific due dates of each assignment. I do not offer extra credit assignments for any reason.

100 points - 1 essay exam @ 100 points each

300 points - 3 essays @ 100 points each –descriptive, narrative, and process

200 points - Final paper

100 points - 5 in-class writings @ 20 points each

50 points - 5 grammar quizzes @ 10 points each

50 points - 5 reading quizzes @ 10 points each

100 points - 50 points - participation 50 points - attendance

900 points

A = 855 – 900

A- = 828 – 854

B+ = 801 – 827

B = 765 – 800

B- = 738 – 764

C+ = 711 – 737

C = 675 - 710

C- = 648 - 674

D+ = 621 - 647

D = 585 - 620

D- = 558 - 584

E = 557 or below