

ENGLISH 106R: RHETORIC OF THE 1960S

FINAL PORTFOLIO ASSIGNMENT

DUE DATES

Both your final writing portfolio and your research portfolio will be due by **Monday, December 15 at 12 noon**. I will be in my office (HEAV 417) between 9 a.m. and 12 noon. on the 15th for you to leave your portfolio with me; you are welcome to drop your portfolio off earlier if you would prefer. Just contact me to set up a time.

PLEASE NOTE: LATE PORTFOLIOS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES AFTER NOON ON DECEMBER 15.

FINAL WRITING PORTFOLIO (40%)

Your final writing portfolio will include the final drafts of the three writing projects you complete this semester, as well as an essay reflecting on what you learned as a writer and reader this semester.

Reflective Essay

The reflective essay is an opportunity for you to think about the writing that you have completed this semester, what you have learned, and what you have still to learn as a writer. In your essay, consider each of the three writing projects you completed for the semester. Explain the writing process—its challenges and successes—and the ways in which revision changed each of your drafts. In some ways, the research essay should be a narrative explaining the writing found in the research portfolio, explaining how your pre-writing and revising led you to the final drafts. Also share what you see as the greatest strengths of each project, as well as aspects you might change if you had more time to revise.

The reflective essay will be graded on the basis of its detailed explanation of the three projects as well as a thoughtful evaluation of your writing and the work you did in English 106 this semester.

The essay counts for **50 points** of your short writing assignments grade. Failure to submit a reflective essay will **reduce your final portfolio grade by one letter**, and you will also earn a 0 for that assignment. Take home message: The reflective essay is important.

Your papers and reflective essay should be presented in a neatly organized folder or binder. All papers should be in MLA format (if appropriate for the genre) and include works cited for any outside research used within the document.

RESEARCH PORTFOLIO (30%)

Your research portfolio should be clearly divided into four sections—one for each of the projects you will complete this semester, and one for the pre- and post-conference documents you completed for each conference session you attended. The following should be included and clearly marked in the research portfolio if they were a part of your drafting process:

- All pre-writing worksheets
- Research notes
- Bibliographical information
- Outlines
- Drafts (with or without others' comments)
- Peer Review worksheets/drafts

EXTRA CREDIT PAPERS

If you choose to complete an extra writing assignment for extra credit, you will need to include it in your

final portfolio. All supporting documents (drafts, revisions, notes, etc) should be included in your research portfolio, as well.