

Course Syllabus and Policies

English 1301.501

Fall 2018

South Plains College

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Office Hours: I am usually in the classroom at 3pm

Class Meetings:

1301.501: Tuesday-Thursday 4-5:15pm PC 123

Required Materials:

Kirszer, Laurie and Stephen R. Mandell, ed. *Patterns for College Writing: A Rhetorical Reader and Guide*. 13th ed. Boston and New York: Bedford / St. Martins, 2015. Print.

Catalog Course Description:

This course includes a grammar review and a study of the principles of good and effective writing..

Course Goals and Objectives

Students who successfully complete this course will have written a minimum of 5 (five), 2- page essays.

Evaluation

All assignments must be completed and turned in. I grade in ranges. For example, a B- ranges from 80-83; B 84-86; B+ 87-89. The percentage grade is assigned for convenience in only averaging grades.

Quizzes and Examinations

I do not give quizzes. The essays are the examinations.

Essays and Writing Assignments

Students who have 4 or fewer absences and have earned an A or B at the time of the final will be exempt from the final examination.

Writing Assignment Evaluation Standards

- Superior Essay (A)
- Good Essay (B)
- Average Essay (C)
- No essay (F)

If I return an essay with no grade on it, that means you rewrite it – as soon as possible.

Graded Requirements

Participation	20%
Essay #1	15%
Essay #2	15%
Essay #3	15%
Essay #4	15%
Essay #5	15%
Final	5%

Course Schedule / Calendar

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Course Policies and Procedures

Be Here. Please. I take attendance. If you know you will be absent from class, please notify me, best if by email.

Be Professional. If you must answer a phone call, please answer it somewhere else.

Email. I check email quite frequently during the day; however, I do not always respond immediately.

Mac Users

If you use a Mac, you will have to export to *.docx or *.pdf. A Windows computer will not open a pages file.