



“You unlock this door with the key of imagination. Beyond it is another dimension: a dimension of sound, a dimension of sight, a dimension of mind. You’re moving into a land of both shadow and substance, of things and ideas. You’ve just crossed over into... the Twilight Zone.”

■ **Rod Serling, Creator of The Twilight Zone**

Course Syllabus and Policies

English 1302

Fall 2019

South Plains College

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Catalog Course Description

This course includes a literature review and an application of research methods to produce a college level research paper.

Evaluation

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.

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.

I prefer students to submit papers through Blackboard. It speeds up grading.

Writing Assignment Evaluation Standards

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

Percentages

Participation	20%
Response Paper 1	15%
Response Paper 2	15%
Response Paper 3	15%
Response Paper 4	15%
Research Paper	15%
Final	5%

Course Schedule / Calendar

On Tuesdays and every other Thursday, we will do the literature review
On every other Thursday, we will work on the research paper

For Calendar, see Blackboard

Course Policies and Procedures **Be Here.**

Be Professional.

Be Honest.

Be Mentally Present.

A Note for Mac Users

Windows and Mac's do not get along with each other; therefore, I cannot open a pages file on a Windows computer. If you use a Mac, please either export to pdf or to docx.

Formatting:

Please use Times New Roman 12pt font – the default in Word is Calibri 11pt (I think).

Do not write the whole essay in *italic* or **bold**. Use *italic* or **bold** for emphasis. Please do not use ALL CAPS for emphasis – use **bold** or *italic*.

Essays

If you are familiar with and comfortable with PowerPoint, you may produce your essays in Powerpoint.

If you are familiar with and comfortable with web design, you may put together a web page.

If you are familiar with and comfortable with video, you may put together a video.

