

English 12 Portfolio Updating and Reflection

Bring in the following work for your portfolio assignment:

- Autobiographical Incident: **UC/Common App Prompts/Personal Statements**
- Persuasive: **Congress Speech**
- Literary Analysis: **Answer #1 to Fall Final on *Heart of Darkness*, or Quotation Explications from *Macbeth* exam, *Catcher in the Rye* Motif essay**
- Cause and Effect: ***Frankenstein* Seminar Paper**
- Comparison/Contrast: ***Heart of Darkness*/*Apocalypse Now* Comparison or *Catcher in the Rye*/*Pleasantville* Comparison**
- Synthesis Research Paper: **Synthesis Research Paper**
- Evaluative: **In-class Reflection on 5/16-17**
- Other: **Salinger Imitation Paper**
- Other: **Draft of Graduation/Grad-itude Speech**
- Cross-curricular writing selection: **Any writing sample from any other class**

We will do an in-class reflection of your thinking, reading, and writing growth/progress (or lack thereof) over the course of the last four years.

Summative Reflection

- **In what ways have you improved as a reader/writer/thinker/speaker/ student over the course of the last four years?**
- **What brought about those improvements? Include an assignment(s) that contains specific experiences, readings, assignments, or discussions in this course or previous courses that supports your points.**
- **What did you learn by creating this assignment/these assignments? Be specific.**
- **What was your biggest accomplishment in the course? Throughout the last four years of English?**
- **How did this assignment and other course elements help you reach it? Be specific.**

Process Reflection

- **What challenges did you face in completing this course? How did you address/troubleshoot them?**
- **How did your thinking about it evolve over time (point to specific experiences while working on the assignment)?**
- **How did these assignments evolve (or not evolve) with your thinking (again, point to specific experiences) about it?**
- **What went according to plan and what surprises did you encounter? What still needs work?**
- **What were your successes and difficulties in completing these assignments/this course?**
- **What risks did you take in the assignment/course? Be specific.**
- **Describe your learning process throughout this course and what it felt like at different stages until you mastered certain skills. Discuss the skills you are still developing.**

Evaluative Reflection

- **What are the strengths and weaknesses of your signature assignment? Explain while making specific references to your work.**
- **Discuss your best work for the course and explain why it's your best. Be specific.**
- **Discuss each piece of work for the course and touch on the strengths of each. Be specific.**
- **How does what you learned through completing this assignment connect to the learning outcomes of this course?**