

Argumentative Essay
ENG 1100 G
Due Beginning of Class – September 29, 2017

Write a short essay (750-1000 words) that takes an argumentative approach to one of the topic questions below. This essay will require you to refine and analyze your topic, produce an argumentative thesis, and defend that thesis with evidence and examples, which in this case can be anecdotal. While you may be drawing upon personal experience, do not write in first person in this essay.

Address one of the following topic questions:

1. Should changes be made to the way animals are treated in North America?
2. How should societies respond to political extremism?
3. How does modern technology affect the way people interact with each other?
4. How should postsecondary education be funded?

Your essay **must** have an *argumentative* thesis. If you wish, you can send me your thesis in advance of the due date (after class or via email is preferable) to check if it is viable.

No external research is required for this paper. If you do draw on outside resources, you **must** properly document your sources using MLA or APA citations (see a guide like the *Checkmate Pocket Guide* for further instructions).

Your essay will be marked based on the following criteria: the quality of your thesis, the organization of your essay, the relevance of your evidence, the coherency and detail of your analysis, and the technical quality of your writing.

Your essay must be printed with the following formatting, adhering to MLA or APA style guidelines:

- Font: Times New Roman
- Font Size: 12 pt.
- Margins: 1 inch
- Spacing: Double