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English 150

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**Final Portfolio Assessment**

Your final portfolio is a collection of your work as a writer over the course of the entire semester. It is your chance to reflect on your writing and to show how you have grown as a writer during this course. Your portfolio should consist of the following:

*The Essays*

You should include a copy of each of your five final graded essays. When I evaluate your portfolio, I will look particularly at how your writing developed over the course of the semester. With that in mind, make sure that your essay submissions are dated and arranged from the first graded paper to the final graded paper.

*Self-Assessment Essay*

The self-assessment essay will account for the bulk of your final portfolio grade (three to five pages). For the self-assessment essay you can reflect on how you have developed as a writer from previous papers in the course. Consider questions such as the following: Who are you as a writer? What are your strengths and weaknesses as it pertains to the particular paper you are writing about? What characterizes your writing? What do you like best about your writing? How can you improve as a writer? What were some struggles you encountered with your writing? How did you overcome them? How did you attempt to revise your writing? You don’t have to answer all these questions - just formulate an approach for your essay and write a focused response that gives an honest assessment of your growth as a writer over the course of the semester.. Whichever direction you take, you should support your ideas with examples from your writing. You have worked hard in this class, so show me what you have done and how you view yourself as a writer.

**Specific Details**

* Portfolio should be organized, neat, and professional
* Self-Assessment essay should be completed according to MLA format
* Portfolio is worth 200 points and is due on December 13.
* Refer to the attached rubric for specific grading criteria
* **The final portfolio must be completed and submitted in order to receive credit for the course**