

**English 1010—College
Writing**

2011-2012

Mr. Stewart

This is a concurrent English class, offering credit for both Springville High School and Utah Valley University. The class is expected to take advantage of an opportunity to receive college credit and possibly replace a first-year university writing course. To do this, students are expected to be enrolled also at UVU. As a concurrent course, this course demands the same rigor and volume of writing at a first-year writing course at university.

Our major text is Longman's *The Allyn and Bacon Guide to Writing* (5th edition). In addition to this text, we will rely heavily on informational and argumentative non-fiction texts of various genres including book-length informational texts, essays, newspaper articles, academic articles, etc.

Composition projects will include a narrative, rhetorical analyses, an annotated bibliography, various arguments—including researched arguments, and many shorter exercises.

Class rules are simple: be here, on time; be courteous and respectful; be prepared with books, pens, paper, completed assignments, etc.; obey school rules; and show your dedication to our work by putting away electronic devices—including phones and ipods.

Grading scale: 94-100=**A**, 90-93=**A-**, 87-89=**B+**, 84-87=**B**, 80-83=**B-**, 77-79=**C+**, 74-77=**C**, 70-73=**C-**, 67-69=**D+**, 64-67=**D**, 60-63=**D+**, 0-59=**F**

Late work will suffer a 50% penalty, unless the work is more than a week late. Then, the work may lose up to 80%, depending on circumstances. If you are absent (excused), you have 2 class days to make up missed work. It is your responsibility to ask about missed assignments.

You have no make-up privileges if you cut class or are absent and unexcused the day an assignment is due. Make-up work for extended absences should be discussed with me, but not during class.

Tardiness adversely affects your grades for several reasons. You may lose a percentage of your grade for absences and tardies—up to 20% of your total grade, as per district policy. You cannot make up quizzes or short, in-class projects missed when you were tardy. You will lack information discussed while you were not in class. Some extra credit will be available for those who have one absence or tardy. A little more extra credit will be available for those with no absences or tardies. Missing class for school-sponsored activities will not count against you in this regard.

Please sign and return to me by September 2, 2011.

Student _____

Parent _____