

## ENGL 1551 - Writing 2

Fall 2026 Syllabus, Section 07, CRN 43379,

Credit hours: 3

### Instructor

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### Public Instructor Information

**Instructor Title:** Intstructor

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### Course Description

This course builds upon students' knowledge of the writing process and rhetorical concepts as they conduct scholarly inquiry on a specific topic using academic research. The course emphasizes the process of investigation including identifying problems to explore with research, collecting data from primary and/or secondary sources, synthesizing source material, and clearly presenting the results of these inquiries in a research-based argument. Students write a minimum of 5,000 words (approximately 20 double-spaced pages) cumulatively across the major assignments. Grading is ABCDF. English 1551 is three semester hours. Prereq.: ENGL 1549 with a grade of "C" or better or ENGL 1550 with a grade of "C" or better or ACT/SAT scores or Composition Placement Test results. 3 s.h.

### Course Readings

| Group | Title                                                          | Author                   | ISBN           |
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|       | The Norton Field Guide to Writing with Readings + Handbook, 7E | Bullock, Bertsch, Goggin | 978-1324087632 |

The course readings are subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances, research developments, current events, and/or to ensure better learning.

Chapters as assigned in Blackboard and listed in the attached Schedule

- Note: Your Ebook access is included and is already paid for in your course fees. You need to opt out of the ebook by the date shown in Blackboard in order to avoid the fee.

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### Schedule of Topics and Assignments

| Week of | Proposed Topic                | Due/To Prepare for Class                                                                                                                                                                         |
|---------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 8/24    | Orientation and Introductions | Due 8/26 at 11:59pm:<br>Discussion - Introductions<br>Due 8/30 before 11:59:05pm:<br>Discussion - Introductions - Reply<br>Due 8/30 at 11:59pm:<br>Quiz: Chapter 5 "Writing and Learning Online" |



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| 8/31  | Choosing a Research Topic                       | Due 9/4 at 11:59pm:<br>Discussion - Research Topic<br>Due 9/6 before 11:59:41pm:<br>Discussion - Research Topic - Reply<br>Due 9/6 at 11:59pm:<br>Quiz: Ch 47 "Getting a Start on Research"<br>Quiz: Ch 38 "Arguing" |
| 9/7   | Research Proposal and Writing Ethically with AI | Due 9/13 at 11:59pm:<br>Writing Assignment 1: Research Proposal<br>Quiz: Ch 6 Writing with Generative AI<br>Discussion: AI Collaboration Practice                                                                    |
| 9/14  | Finding Sources and Reading Responses 1 and 2   | Due 9/20 at 11:59pm:<br>Quiz: Ch 48 "Finding Sources"<br>Reading Response 1: Supporting an Argument                                                                                                                  |
| 9/21  | Finding Sources and Reading Responses 1 and 2   | Due 9/27 at 11:59pm:<br>Reading Response 2: Opposing Views                                                                                                                                                           |
| 9/28  | Evaluating Sources                              | Due 10/4 at 11:59pm:<br>Quiz: Ch 49 "Evaluating Sources" and Ch 16 "Annotated Bibliographies ..."                                                                                                                    |
| 10/5  | Annotated Bibliography and APA Style            | Due 10/11 at 11:59pm:<br>Assignment - Writing Assignment 2: Annotated Bibliography                                                                                                                                   |
| 10/12 | Preliminary Outline and Reading Response 3      | Due 10/16 before 11:59:36pm:<br>Discussion 4 - Preliminary Outline<br>Due 10/18 at 11:59pm:<br>Reading Response 3: Audience<br>Due 10/18 before 11:59:36pm:<br>Discussion 4 - Preliminary Outline - Reply            |
| 10/19 | Synthesizing Sources and Reading Response 4     | Due 10/21 at 11:59pm:<br>Writing Assignment 3: Research Paper Outline<br>Due 10/25 at 11:59pm:<br>Reading Response 4: Argument<br>Quiz: Ch 15 "Arguing a Position" (184-196)                                         |
| 10/26 | Synthesizing, Quoting, and Drafting             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 11/2  | Drafting and Getting Responses                  | Due 11/1 at 11:59pm:<br>Quiz: Ch 50 "Synthesizing Ideas" and Ch 51 "Quoting, Paraphrasing ..."                                                                                                                       |
| 11/9  | Drafting and Getting Responses                  | Due 11/8 at 11:59pm:<br>Quiz: Ch 33 "Getting Response and Revising" and Ch 34 "Editing and Proofreading"                                                                                                             |
| 11/16 | Peer Review and Revision                        | Writing Assignment 4: 1st Draft                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 11/23 | Conferences and Revision                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 11/30 | Conferences and Revision                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 12/7  | Revising and Submitting a Second Draft          | Due 12/6 at 11:59pm:<br>Writing Assignment 5: 2nd Draft                                                                                                                                                              |

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