

Course Syllabus

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English 1A: Reading and Composition Syllabus Fall 2018

Texts/Supplies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New and Selected Poems (Soto) • The Female Persuasion (Wolitzer) • Henderson the Rain King (Bellow)
Online Course Site and Communication	To access the course site go to the following URL: http://scccd.instructure.com (http://scccd.instructure.com/). Log in using the same credentials you use for Blackboard (Username: your 7-digit student ID number; password: if you have not previously changed your password, it is <i>First name initial</i> [upper case] + <i>last name initial</i> [lowercase] + <i>date of birth</i> [mmddyy]; example: John Smith born on July 9th of 1988, password = Js070988). If you do not know your password and need assistance, please call: (559) 499-6070 .

	<p>You will need to be officially enrolled before you will be allowed to enter the site. All communication related to this class will use either our Canvas course site (Announcements, Discussion Board, Canvas messaging etc.) or your District-supplied e-mail address (@my.scccd.edu). Please check your district e-mail address regularly or find out how to forward messages from that address to an address you are in the habit of checking.</p>
Necessary Programs	<p>In order to do work from home, you should have the following programs (all of which are installed on computers on-campus): Internet browser (such as Internet Explorer, Firefox, or Chrome); e-mail access; word processor (MS Word preferably, see Paper Format below); Adobe Acrobat Reader for research materials.</p>
Attendance	<p>Although online classes do not chart attendance by day/time, I will be able to see the degree to which you are engaged and participating within the class; <u>if I do not see sufficient progress or participation, I reserve the right to drop you from the course.</u></p>
Class Activities	<p>This class will consist of reading assignments, shorter and longer writing assignments, quizzes, tests, discussion activities, and lectures. The degree to which you are successful in this class will be a direct reflection of how seriously you take each of these activities.</p>
Late Papers, Missed Exams	<p>I will accept no late papers unless you have contacted me prior to the deadline posted for the assignment. There will be no make-ups of missed quizzes or discussion board assignments for any reason, no matter how compelling.</p>
Grades	<p>There will be two objective tests and four graded papers. Almost every week you will take a quiz and/or a writing exercise covering material on mechanics, sentence structure, essay structure, the use of research materials, and/or the reading. The papers will be judged on the basis of style, organization, content, and the degree to which you have followed the directions for the assignment. No essay seriously deficient in the area of mechanics (spelling, grammar, punctuation) will receive a passing grade.</p> <p>The assignment weights and grade scales are listed below.</p>
Plagiarism	<p>Use of another's work as though it were your own will not be tolerated. In the current Reedley College Catalog, plagiarism is defined as follows:</p> <p>Plagiarism is a specific form of cheating: the use of another's words or ideas without identifying them as such or giving credit to the source. Plagiarism may include, but is not limited to, failing to provide complete citations and references for all work that draws on the ideas, words, or work of others, failing to identify the contributors to work done in collaboration, submitting duplicate work to be evaluated in different courses without the knowledge</p>

and consent of the instructors involved, or failing to observe computer security systems and software copyrights. Incidents of cheating and plagiarism may result in any of a variety of sanctions and penalties, which may range from a failing grade on the particular examination, paper, project, or assignment in question to a failing grade in the course, at the discretion of the instructor and depending on the severity and frequency of the incidents.

Verified instances of plagiarism will result in an automatic 0 for the assignment, and the student responsible will be reported to the offices of the Vice President for Instruction, the Vice President of Student Services, the Dean of Humanities, the Dean of Student Services, and the Chair of the Composition, Literature, and Communication Department.

Extra Credit

During the course of the semester there will be several readings sponsored by [Reedley College Speakers Series and Reedley College First Wednesdays at One](http://www.reedleycollege.edu/index.aspx?page=775) (<http://www.reedleycollege.edu/index.aspx?page=775>). Following your attendance at a reading, you must complete and submit an Extra Credit Assignment to receive as many as five points per reading, which will be added into your quiz scores. You may earn as many as twenty extra credit points during the semester. I will give you notice of dates and times. **Please note:** extra credit is just that—extra; if you are unable to attend extra credit events due to schedule conflicts, lack of transportation, or for any other reason, I will not provide alternative events or assignments.

Paper Format

All work must be typed, double-spaced, and in 12-point Times Roman type. Submitted papers must follow MLA Guidelines regarding manuscript format. You must submit your work via the Assignments area. Do not submit work via e-mail unless expressly instructed to do so. Use of Google Docs is discouraged. You must submit papers in Word format (*.docx). All other formats will remain ungraded.

Accommodation

If you have a verified need for an academic accommodation or materials in alternate media (i.e. Braille, large print, electronic text, etc.) per the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, please contact us as soon as possible.

Schedule and Weight of Assignments

5%	Sentence Structure Test
10%	Paper on <u>Selected and New Poems</u>
15%	Paper on <u>The Female Persuasion</u>
25%	Paper on <u>Henderson the Rain King</u> (20% paper / 5% annotated bibliography)
5%	Timed Midterm Essay Exam
10%	Final
15%	Quizzes

	15%	Discussion questions
	100%	Total
Grading Scale	90-100%	A
	80-89%	B
	70-79%	C
	60-69%	D
	00-59%	F

Click here for a [Calendar of Readings, Assignments, and other important dates.](#)

Course Summary:

Date	Details	
Fri Aug 17, 2018	 W00: Syllabus Quiz https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517697	due by 11:59pm
	 W01: Essay Structure 1 https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517692	due by 11:59pm
Fri Aug 24, 2018	 W01: Discussion Question 1 https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517718	due by 11:59pm
	 W02: Essay Structure 2 https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517690	due by 11:59pm
Fri Aug 31, 2018	 W02: Discussion Question 2 https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517717	due by 11:59pm
	 W03: Mechanics 1 https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517689	due by 11:59pm
	 W03: Sentence Writing 1 https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517705	due by 11:59pm
Fri Sep 7, 2018	 W03: Discussion Question 3 https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517716	due by 11:59pm
	 W04: Mechanics 2 https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517693	due by 11:59pm
	 W04: Sentence Writing 2 https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517698	due by 11:59pm

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Wed Sep 12, 2018	 1W1: Catherine Hodges (https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/562099)	due by 11:59pm
Fri Sep 14, 2018	 W04: Discussion Question 4 (https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517715)	due by 11:59pm
Fri Sep 14, 2018	 W05: Mechanics 3 (https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517706)	due by 11:59pm
Fri Sep 14, 2018	 W05: Sentence Writing 3 (https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517691)	due by 11:59pm
Fri Sep 21, 2018	 Paper 1 (https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517720)	due by 11:59pm
Fri Sep 28, 2018	 Sentence Writing Test 2018 (https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517686)	due by 11:59pm
Fri Sep 28, 2018	 W07: Research 1 (https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517699)	due by 11:59pm
Fri Oct 5, 2018	 W07: Discussion Question 5 (https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517714)	due by 11:59pm
Fri Oct 5, 2018	 W08: Research 2 (https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517694)	due by 11:59pm
Fri Oct 12, 2018	 Midterm Essay Exam (https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517703)	due by 11:59pm
Fri Oct 12, 2018	 W08: Discussion Question 6 (https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517713)	due by 11:59pm
Fri Oct 19, 2018	 W10: Discussion Question 7 (https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517712)	due by 11:59pm
Fri Oct 19, 2018	 W10: Research 3 (https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517688)	due by 11:59pm
Fri Oct 26, 2018	 Paper 2 (https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517721)	due by 11:59pm
Fri Oct 26, 2018	 W11: Discussion Question 8 (https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517711)	due by 11:59pm
Fri Nov 2, 2018	 W12: Discussion Question 9 (https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517710)	due by 11:59pm

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Fri Nov 9, 2018	 Annotated Bibliography (https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517719)	due by 11:59pm
	 W13: Discussion Question 10 (https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517709)	due by 11:59pm
Fri Nov 16, 2018	 W14: Discussion Question 11 (https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517708)	due by 11:59pm
Fri Nov 30, 2018	 Practice Final (https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517687)	due by 11:59pm
	 XCL (https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517723)	due by 11:59pm
Fri Dec 7, 2018	 Final Objective Exam 2018FA (https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517707)	due by 11:59pm
	 Paper 3 (https://scccd.instructure.com/courses/28469/assignments/517722)	due by 11:59pm