English 102 (Section 42)

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The Course Syllabus

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Note: This section of English 2 will stress computer-based research including use of resources available through the Internet. While you do not need to have any previous experience using these resources, you should be willing to spend time during class and on your own working with computers.

Course goals:

By the end of the course, you should be able to write a persuasive essay which is well-organized, presents a coherent analysis of your subject, and uses, but is not dominated
by, material from various secondary sources. Your writing should be free of grammatical and mechanical errors.

**Requirements:**

Requirements: For the course you will write one essay of 3-4 pages and a research paper of 5-6 pages. **ALL ESSAYS MUST BE TYPED.** You will also participate in conference groups in which you evaluate the papers of your classmates and receive constructive criticism of your own writing. Finally, you will construct a homepage on the World Wide Web and "publish" revised versions of your essays there. There are no exams in this class.

**Grades:**

Grading for the course will be done on the basis of a point system. The values of the various course requirements are:

**Essays:** 100 points each (200 points total)

**Revisions:** 100 points each (200 points total)

**Finished Homepage:** 100 points

**Conference Participation:** 50 points per conference (100 points total)

**Miscellaneous (graded exercises, class participation, etc.):** 50 points (approximate)

**Total:** 650 points (estimated)

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**And Finally:**

Late essays will lose ten points for each day that they are late unless you notify me before class. A paper will be considered late if it is not handed in during the class period on the day it is due.

Attendance: You are allowed two absences. If you miss class a third time, 10 points will be subtracted from your point total. **A fourth absence will result in a failing grade for the course.**

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