

# ENGL 1110: Revision Portfolio

Regardless of major, at some point in your academic career you will need a collection of work highlighting your critical thinking and writing skills.

This portfolio has two significant parts: a collection of your work showing your strengths as a writer, and an accompanying letter explaining how this portfolio represents your best writing work.

## Part I: Letter (600+ words)

This letter is addressed to me and is a cover letter for your portfolio. Your goal for this letter is to highlight the work you have done in this portfolio and explain how this collection represents some of your best writing work. Your goal is persuasive—convince me you have the writing skills needed to move on to Composition II. Discuss the types of changes you made to each document included (see below). I also **strongly suggest** looking at the learning outcomes on the syllabus and discussing how your portfolio writings indicate you have mastered the knowledge needed for Composition II.

## Part II: Collection of Writings

Collect 3 pieces: one in-class writing (blog, journal or paper copy), the Summary/Response essay and **either** your Analysis Essay **or** your Investigative Essay. Once you have collected and reviewed these documents, revise each piece for a stronger paper (the in-class writing will need to be typed up in standard MLA format). Use my comments on the graded version, the guidelines and your notes to revise. This collection needs to reflect significant changes from previous final versions in order to receive credit; do not simply resubmit the same final draft. Likewise, avoid only making editing corrections. Consider how you can improve the content of each piece to better reflect awareness of audience and purpose. Even if the original version was good and received a high grade, think about how to make it better.

Both parts I and II are required for a complete portfolio.

Total value: 200 points

## Deadline for Revision Portfolio:

**December 17<sup>th</sup> by 11:59 PM via assignment dropbox on Blackboard.** This is a strict deadline; portfolios submitted after this point will automatically be considered for half credit or less, regardless of the situation—no exceptions, no emergencies, no mistakes. Please make sure you submit completely *to the right place* before the deadline. Emailed portfolios will not be credited.

For ease of submission, combine all 4 documents (cover letter and 3 revised writings) into one document, with the cover letter first.