ENGLISH 201 – The Research Paper
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Course Information Course Outcomes Write a humanities-style research paper which includes as part of the composition or process:
1) An objective summary of college-level material which identifies primary and supporting assertions.
2) An evaluation of different types of evidence (i.e., tone/diction, logical reasoning).
3) A synthesis of source material with own writing.
4) An original and clearly supported thesis.
5) Proper in-text citations and works cited page (MLA format).
6) A breadth of varied primary sources which demonstrates a familiarity with library skills.

How Outcomes will be met Outcomes will be met by writing short 2-5 page response essays to the readings assigned in class. A personal reading/thinking journal will be used on a daily basis. Critical thinking and writing will be emphasized and the essays and journal writings will help in documenting and summarizing student’s thoughts and ideas. When writing essays MLA formatting will be required. Researching for a final paper will focus on the use of the library as well as online searching. Grading Assignments for the research paper and the completed paper will comprise 50% of the course grade. Writing/thinking journal, attendance and participation, homework and writing assignments will comprise the remaining 50%. Students will receive a grading sheet on the first day of class so that he/she may keep track of grades. (Grading sheet is posted online).
The link to the College Grading Policy is located on page 10 of the Course Catalog and also on the web at: http://www.bellevuecollege.edu/policies/id-3000/

Books and Materials Required
REQUIRED; BARTLEBY, THE SCRIVENER, A Story of Wall Street (you may download this on Bartleby.comGreatBooks online, http://www.bartleby.com/129/ or you may purchase hard copy at Amazon.com or pick up a copy at BC library or KCLS).
SUGGESTED:
A WRITER’S REFERENCE, Diane Hacker
THE ELEMENTS OF STYLE, Strunk and White.

Classroom Learning Atmosphere Instructor’s Expectation This is a writing course which emphasizes critical analysis, research, argumentative writing and critical thinking. I expect all students as well as myself to be respectful to others as varying ideas are revealed. Respect, honesty and a focus on learning and expression is the focus of this class. Students will be provided a safe atmosphere to express ideas and to formulate these ideas into written
expression. It is everyone’s responsibility to listen as well as to verbally express ideas. It is through the exchange of ideas that one can learn.

**Affirmation of Inclusion** Bellevue College is committed to maintaining an environment in which every member of the campus community feels welcome to participate in the life of the college, free from harassment and discrimination. We value our different backgrounds at Bellevue College, and students, faculty, staff members, and administrators are to treat one another with dignity and respect. [http://www.bellevuecollege.edu/policies/id-4000/](http://www.bellevuecollege.edu/policies/id-4000/)

**Division Statements** The goal of this class is to learn to apply critical thinking to the writing process. Therefore, each paper needs to be an accurate representation of YOUR ideas. In order to insure that the ideas and words in your essays are truly your own, I will occasionally spot check for plagiarism (appropriating the language ideas and/or thoughts of another). The outright copying of another’s work will not be tolerated and will result in zero (0) credits for the assignment. Repeated or truly egregious plagiarism may result in a failing grade for the entire course. Further information re: policy see [http://www.bellevuecollege.edu/artshum/studentinfo.html](http://www.bellevuecollege.edu/artshum/studentinfo.html) Information about Bellevue College's copyright guidelines can be found at: [http://bellevuecollege.edu/lmc/links/copyright.html](http://bellevuecollege.edu/lmc/links/copyright.html) A good resource for Plagiarism is the Writing Lab: [http://bellevuecollege.edu/writinglab/Plagiarism.html](http://bellevuecollege.edu/writinglab/Plagiarism.html)

**Student Code** “Cheating, stealing and plagiarizing (using the ideas or words of another as one’s own without crediting the source) and inappropriate/disruptive classroom behavior are violations of the Student Code of Conduct at Bellevue College. Examples of unacceptable behavior include, but are not limited to: talking out of turn, arriving late or leaving early without a valid reason, allowing cell phones/pagers to ring, and inappropriate behavior toward the instructor or classmates. The instructor can refer any violation of the Student Code of Conduct to the Vice President of Student Services for possible probation or suspension from Bellevue College. Specific student rights, responsibilities and appeal procedures are listed in the Student Code of Conduct, available in the office of the Vice President of Student Services.”

The Student Code, Policy 2050, in its entirety is located at: [http://www.bellevuecollege.edu/policies/id-2050/](http://www.bellevuecollege.edu/policies/id-2050/)

[If you plan to use a plagiarism checking service, you should indicate so in your syllabus. Please make sure your penalty for plagiarism does not contradict official college policy.]

**Important Links** Bellevue College E-mail and access to MyBC All students registered for classes at Bellevue College are entitled to a network and e-mail account. Your student network account can be used to access your student e-mail, log in to computers in labs and classrooms, connect to the BC wireless network and log in to MyBC. To create your account, go to: [https://bellevuecollege.edu/sam](https://bellevuecollege.edu/sam)

BC offers a wide variety of computer and learning labs to enhance learning and student success. Find current campus locations for all student labs by visiting the Computing Services website. Student code: [http://www.bellevuecollege.edu/policies/id-2050/](http://www.bellevuecollege.edu/policies/id-2050/)
Disability Resource Center (DRC) The Disability Resource Center serves students with a wide array of learning challenges and disabilities. If you are a student who has a disability or learning challenge for which you have documentation or have seen someone for treatment and if you feel you may need accommodations in order to be successful in college, please contact us as soon as possible. If you are a person who requires assistance in case of an emergency situation, such as a fire, earthquake, etc, please meet with your individual instructors to develop a safety plan within the first week of the quarter. The DRC office is located in B 132 or you can call our reception desk at 425.564.2498. Deaf students can reach us by video phone at 425-440-2025 or by TTY at 425-564-4110 . . Please visit our website for application information into our program and other helpful links at www.bellevuecollege.edu/drc

Public Safety The Bellevue College (BC) Public Safety Department’s well trained and courteous non-commissioned staff provides personal safety, security, crime prevention, preliminary investigations, and other services to the campus community, 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. Their phone number is 425.564.2400. The Public Safety website is your one-stop resource for campus emergency preparedness information, campus closure announcements and critical information in the event of an emergency. Public Safety is located in K100 and on the web at: http://bellevuecollege.edu/publicsafety/

Final Exam Schedule There is no final exam.

Academic Calendar The Bellevue College Academic Calendar is separated into two calendars. They provide information about holidays, closures and important enrollment dates such as the finals schedule.

Enrollment Calendar - http://bellevuecollege.edu/enrollment/calendar/deadlines/ On this calendar you will find admissions and registration dates and important dates for withdrawing and receiving tuition refunds.

College Calendar - http://bellevuecollege.edu/enrollment/calendar/holidays/0910 . This calendar gives you the year at a glance and includes college holidays, scheduled closures, quarter end and start dates, and final exam dates.

NOTE: Course calendar is handed out in class for courses and posted online for online classes.