

English 0201
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Evaluation:

50% Participation

50% Discussion Posts

Textbook:

No textbook required

Attendance Policy

Attendance is mandatory. You may miss three classes without penalty, but each subsequent absence will result in a ten-point penalty from your final grade. You are expected to arrive on time or before the beginning of class and will be counted tardy if you arrive after the class begins or must leave before class ends. Each tardy will count as half an absence. If you arrive to class fifteen minutes late or must leave 15 minutes early, you will be counted absent for the day.

Communication

You are responsible for all information presented in class, found on our D2L page, or sent to your BC email address. If you are absent, you are responsible for getting notes from a classmate, completing any homework assigned in class, etc. I will communicate with you outside of class exclusively through your BC email account, so you must make sure you can access this account. This is the email address that uses the first letter of your first name, your entire last name, and four numbers of your student ID, and it should not be confused with D2L's email tool. I highly recommend you set up your phone to automatically receive and notify you of these emails.

Participation

We will have many discussion-based activities, and you are required to be both physically and mentally present. You must read and understand the material and be prepared to offer your own arguments and opinions about the texts in class. To receive full credit in participation, you must regularly answer questions and offer your thoughts on the course texts, be an active and engaged listener, and complete any daily work or homework assigned including peer-review and discussion board activities. Expect to lose participation points if you are disruptive, fail to do the readings or daily work, sleep, infrequently or never add to class discussion, etc.

Content Note

This is a college-level class, and we will be dealing with texts that may make you uncomfortable, upset, or offended because of the language or content. You are, however, expected to engage with the texts in a professional manner and be respectful in discussions.

Academic Honesty

Brazosport College assumes that students eligible to perform on the college level are familiar with the ordinary rules governing proper conduct including academic honesty. The principle of academic honesty is that all work presented by you is yours alone. Academic dishonesty including, but not limited to, cheating, plagiarism, and collusion shall be treated appropriately. Please refer to the Brazosport College Student Guide for more information. This is available online at <http://www.brazosport.edu>.

Academic dishonesty violates both the policies of this course and the Student Code of Conduct. In this class, any occurrence of academic dishonesty will be referred to the Dean of Student Services for prompt adjudication. Sanctions may be imposed beyond your grade in this course by the Dean of Student Services.

The inclusion of AI-generated text like ChatGPT and Bard is prohibited from your major assignments and discussion board activities. These tools may be useful for brainstorming and research, but the ideas and writing in your submitted work must be your own. Essays that are flagged by Turnitin.com for AI-use and/or include common AI signs may receive a 0. I may also interview you about your submission if I suspect the use of AI-generated text.

Title IX Statement:

Brazosport College faculty and staff are committed to supporting students and upholding the College District's non-discrimination policy. Under Title IX and Brazosport College's policy FFDA (Local), discrimination based on sex, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression is prohibited. If you experience an incident of discrimination, we encourage you to report it. While you may talk to a faculty or staff member at BC, please understand that they are "Responsible Employees" and must report what you tell them to college officials. You can also contact the Title IX Coordinators directly by using the contact information below. Additional information is found on the Sexual Misconduct webpage at www.brazosport.edu/sexualmisconduct.

Alex Crouse, Director of Student Life and Title IX
Coordinator 979-230-3355; alex.crouse@brazosport.edu

Mareille Rolon, HR Coordinator and Deputy Title IX
Coordinator 979-230-3303; mareille.rolon@brazosport.edu

Students with Disabilities:

Brazosport College is committed to providing equal education opportunities to every student. BC offers services for individuals with special needs and capabilities including counseling, tutoring, equipment, and software to assist students with special needs. For student to receive any accommodation, documentation must be completed in the Office of Disability Services. Please contact Phil Robertson, Special Populations Counselor at 979-230-3236 for further information.

Student Services Provided by the College:

To help you on your educational pathway, Brazosport College provides all students with access to TimelyCare. If you're stressed, challenged, or need help, download the TimelyCare app today! It's your free virtual health and well-being service platform, available 24/7, 365 days of the year. Search "TimelyCare" in your app store. Then, register with your student email to access your health care services.

Information about the Library is available at www.brazosport.edu/~lib/Information.htm or by calling 979-230-3310.

Information about study skills and tutoring for math, reading, writing, biology, chemistry, and other subjects is available in the Learning Assistance Center (LAC), see www.brazosport.edu/~lac or call 979-230-3253.

To contact the Math/Life Science Department call (979)230-3225.

The Student Services area provides the following services

Counseling and Advising	979-230-3040
Financial Aid	979-230-3294
Student Activities	979-230-3355

To reach the Information Technology Dept. for computer, email, or other technical assistance call the Helpdesk 979-230-3266.