## Course Schedule

**IMPORTANT:** ALL TIMES EASTERN - Please see the University Policies section of your Syllabus for details.

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<th>Unit</th>
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<th>Readings and Other Assigned Material</th>
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<td>Unit 1: Narrative</td>
<td>Week 1</td>
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<td>Introduce Yourself to Your TA Group</td>
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<td>Rights and Responsibilities Agreement Quiz</td>
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<td>Week 2</td>
<td>Chapter 1: Narratives, pp. 4-43</td>
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<td>Week 3</td>
<td>Chapter 39: Peer Editing, pp. 458-463</td>
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<td>Week 4</td>
<td>Chapter 38: Revising Your Work, pp. 452-457</td>
<td>Activity 7: Submit Draft for Peer Review (eP)</td>
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<td>Activity 7: Review Your Peer Groups' Narratives</td>
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<td>Activity 9: Personal Narrative Academic Honesty Quiz (to unlock dropbox)</td>
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<td>Submit &quot;Final-for-Now&quot; Revised Personal Narrative Assignment and complete Personal Narrative Reflection</td>
<td>Monday, February 4, 2013 at 11:55 PM</td>
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## Unit 2: Evaluation

### Week 5
- **Chapter 4: Evaluations**, pp. 106–137
- **Activity 1**: Workshop Your Paper Topic Idea
  - Friday, February 8, 2013 at 11:55 PM
  - Counts towards 25%
- **Activity 2**: Quotation
  - Friday, February 15, 2013 at 11:55 PM
  - Counts towards 25%
- **Activity 3**: Evaluation Discussion 1
  - Friday, February 15, 2013 at 11:55 PM
  - Counts towards 25%

### Week 6
- **Activity 4**: Evaluation Discussion 2
  - Friday, March 1, 2013 at 11:55 PM
  - Counts towards 25%
- **Activity 6**: Submit Draft for Peer Review (eP)
  - Wednesday, February 27, 2013 at 11:55 PM
  - Counts towards 25%
- **Activity 8**: Evaluation Academic Honesty Quiz (to unlock dropbox)
  - Monday, March 4, 2013 at 11:55 PM
  - Ungraded
- **Submit "Final-for-Now" Evaluation Assignment and complete Evaluation Reflection**
  - Monday, March 4, 2013 at 11:55 PM
  - 10% of the total grade

### Reading Week
(Sunday, February 17, 2013 to Saturday, February 23, 2013)

### Week 7
- **Chapter 39: Peer Editing**, pp. 458–463
- **Activity 4**: Evaluation Discussion 2
  - Friday, March 1, 2013 at 11:55 PM
  - Counts towards 25%
- **Activity 6**: Submit Draft for Peer Review (eP)
  - Wednesday, February 27, 2013 at 11:55 PM
  - Counts towards 25%
- **Activity 8**: Evaluation Academic Honesty Quiz (to unlock dropbox)
  - Monday, March 4, 2013 at 11:55 PM
  - Ungraded
- **Submit "Final-for-Now" Evaluation Assignment and complete Evaluation Reflection**
  - Monday, March 4, 2013 at 11:55 PM
  - 10% of the total grade

### Unit 3: Research and Proposal

### Week 8
- **Chapter 6: Proposals**, pp. 176–205
- **Activity 1**: Workshop Your Paper Topic
  - Wednesday, March 6, 2013 at 11:55 PM
  - Counts towards 25%
- **Activity 2**: Summary, Paraphrase, and Quotation
  - Monday, March 11, 2013 at 11:55 PM
  - 2.5%
- **Activity 3**: Smart Research
  - Friday, March 15, 2013 at 11:55 PM
  - 2.5%

### Week 9
- **Activity 7**: Re-read Chapter 45: Summarizing Sources; Chapter 46: Paraphrasing Sources; Chapter 47: Integrating Sources into Your Work; Chapter 48: Documenting Sources; Chapter 49: MLA Documentation, pp. 491–539
- **Activity 5**: Submit Draft for Peer Review (eP)
  - Wednesday, March 20, 2013 at 11:55 PM
  - Counts towards 25%
- **Activity 8**: Review Your Peer Groups’ Proposals
  - Monday, March 25, 2013 at 11:55 PM
  - Counts towards 25%
Activity 7: Proposal Academic Honesty Quiz (to unlock dropbox)
Wednesday, March 27, 2013 at 11:55 PM
Ungraded

Submit "Final-for-Now" Proposal Assignment and complete Proposal Reflection
Wednesday, March 27, 2013 at 11:55 PM
10%

Chapter 55-65: Common Errors, pp. 602-630
Activity 1: Common Errors Discussion
Monday, April 1, 2013 at 11:55 PM
2 Counts towards 25%

Chapter 9: Essay Examinations, pp. 284-289
Essay Exams - Chapter Review Quiz
Ungraded

Final Portfolio
Monday, April 15, 2013 at 11:55 PM
30%

Final Exam
10%

Final Examination Arrangement and Schedule

In courses with a final exam, students who are exclusively taking online classes must provide examination arrangement information, using Quest, by Friday of Week 3. (Students taking one or more on-campus classes in addition to an online class within the same term do not need to provide exam centre information. Those exams will automatically be scheduled to be written at the University of Waterloo.)

Examination schedule details will be available on Quest approximately four weeks prior to the exam date. For instructions on how to find exam information, go to the Quest Help page.

Official Grades and Course Access

Official Grades and Academic Standings are available through Quest.

Your access to this course will continue for the duration of the current term. You will not have access to this course once the next term begins.

Communication

Email/Discussions

Administrative questions or technical problems with Waterloo LEARN should be directed to the Centre for Extended Learning office at extendedlearning@uwaterloo.ca.

Questions relating to course policies or course administration should be posted on the "Ask the Instructor" discussion topic. Discussion topics can be accessed by clicking the Discussions link on the course navigation bar above. Questions of a personal nature can be directed to your course instructor, Andrew Stubbs, at astubbs@uwaterloo.ca. Please include your TA Group number in the subject line of the email.

Your instructor checks email frequently and you should expect an answer to your questions within 24 hours, Monday to Friday.

You may also contact your TA (see the TA list below) using the "Ask the TA" discussion topic to ask specific questions about course content (including your activities and assignments). TAs will use this discussion to communicate with their TA Groups. Your TA drops in at the discussion daily (Monday to Friday) and posts responses to student questions as necessary. For issues of a personal nature, please use LEARN Email.

LEARN emails will be delivered to @uwaterloo addresses, so if you send a LEARN email, you will need to check your @uwaterloo account for a reply.

For instructions on using LEARN Email, please review How to Email Your TA (PDF).
TAS FOR ENGL 109, W13:
- TA Group 1: Kelsea Mahabir
- TA Group 2: Eric Talbot
- TA Group 3: Jay Sur
- TA Group 4: Jessica-Leigh Van de Kemp
- TA Group 5: Debora Antunes
- TA Group 6: Kyle Malashewski
- TA Group 7: Stephanie Butler

News
Your instructor will make announcements as needed. Please check the News section of the Course Home page regularly.
To ensure you are viewing the complete list of news items, you may need to click Show All.

Course Description and Objectives
Closed captioning is available for this video. To turn on closed captioning, click the [cc] button on the YouTube player control bar.

To download the course videos and their associated transcripts, go to the Downloadable Content page in the Syllabus.

Course Description and Activities
English 109 is designed to get you comfortable writing in an academic context. You will learn about different forms of academic writing, as well as the processes that great writers engage in to create their best work. You will read texts to learn more about how they were written, and thus to improve your own writing.

Because we value learning as a social activity, and thus recognize that writers and readers learn from one another, much of your work in English 109 will involve different kinds of collaboration with your peers.

We believe that this work of writing and reading rhetorically is an important process that takes place over time, and, as such, this course uses portfolio evaluation as the primary means to assess your work. You will get to revise all of your writing many times.

Course Objectives
The objectives of English 109 are to:
- help you develop your abilities as a writer and reader of texts.
- help you to think critically and communicate effectively.
- learn and practice a variety of strategies for inventing, drafting, and editing texts written in different genres and for different audiences.
- help you learn to read rhetorically.
- learn ways to adapt your writing to different situations, so that you can more effectively and more powerfully communicate.
- prepare you to succeed throughout your academic career, regardless of your discipline.

About the Course Author - Jay Dolmage

Educational Background

Generated by Centre for Extended Learning
I studied English Literature and Creative Writing at the University of British Columbia. I then completed an MA in Creative Writing and English Literature at the University of Windsor, and fell in love with teaching writing. I have always been involved in disability rights issues and advocacy, and during work towards a Ph.D. at Miami University of Ohio, I discovered that I could bring my interest in disability into the study and teaching of rhetoric and writing. My dissertation (and a subsequent book project) focuses on the rhetorical history of disability, and the development of bodily rhetorics. For four very enjoyable years, between 2006 and 2010, I taught at West Virginia University, where I also coordinated a large first-year writing program. In the summer of 2010, I returned to Canada, excited to begin the next stage of my career at the University of Waterloo.

**Philosophy of Teaching**

I believe that all students have the right and the ability to learn—and that the best classes bring together the most diverse groups of students in ways that mutually benefit all. I think Universities should be places where we work together to improve our entire society, and not just special or elite places for the select few. I also believe that teaching writing teaches important intellectual habits and can be a form of civic engagement, in addition to the academic and job-related skills students can gain. I feel that, as a teacher, I always need to be open to learning, too.

**Interests**

I like to run, swim in lakes, read and write fiction, and build things.

**Family/Children/Travel**

I have two wonderful and hilarious kids, Vernon and Francine, and a dog named Tito. My partner Heather is a social worker in the KW area. As a family we like to travel across real and imaginary worlds.

(Last updated August 2, 2012)
Required:


For textbook ordering information, please contact the Waterloo Bookstore.

For your convenience, you can compile a list of required and optional course materials through BookLook using your Quest userID and password. If you are having difficulties ordering online and wish to call the Waterloo Bookstore, their phone number is +1 519 888 4673 or toll-free at +1 866 330 7933. Please be aware that textbook orders CANNOT be taken over the phone.

Resources

- University of Waterloo Library (Services for Students Taking Online Courses)

Downloadable Content

What is Downloadable Content?

Some course content is available for download so that you can view it offline. This downloadable content is not new or supplementary content: it is typically a duplication of large media files (e.g., lecture presentations, videos, etc.) used in the course.

Downloadable Content Files

Click each of the links below to download and save the ZIP file to your computer.

- Course Introduction Video | Transcript
- Unit 1: Personal Narrative Videos | Transcripts
- Unit 2: Evaluation Videos | Transcripts
- Unit 3: Proposal Videos | Transcripts

Instructions for Using Downloadable Content

Grade Breakdown
Assessment Overview

In every unit, there will be a series of small activities and short writing assignments. If this work is completed satisfactorily, you will receive full points. Doing this work also prepares you to do well on your major essays.

You will write three major essays in this class, and this will represent the bulk of your course work. Each essay will be 4-5 pages long (note: the Unit 3 essay will be 5-7 pages), and each will represent a key genre of academic writing. You will receive a "final-for-now" grade on these three major essays when they are handed in.

You will then choose your two best major essays to revise again and you will create a final ePortfolio (eP) presentation. You will submit this presentation at the end of the semester for a final portfolio grade. The final portfolio will also include other evidence of your learning, including reflective writing, rough work, and other earlier drafts of the two chosen essays.

There will be an exam for the class that is designed to help you learn how to successfully plan, organize, and complete timed writing assignments.

Success in this class depends on meeting all of the requirements, the quality of your written work, and your willingness to try new perspectives, to revise and rethink, and to take risks.

Course and Department Policies

Standard of Work

This is a university-level course, and you are expected to be comfortable with the mechanics of writing: that is, to understand and use proper grammar, syntax, and punctuation in order to communicate effectively. The course textbook, *How To Write Anything: A Guide and Reference with Readings, Second Edition* offers guidelines and activities to help you with these mechanics. If you need extra assistance with the basics of writing, it is your responsibility to seek help.
Rights and Responsibilities Agreement

Every member of this course—instructors as well as students—has rights and responsibilities to ensure a pleasant and productive experience for all.

We are all answerable to University policies governing ethical behaviour (Policy 33) and academic integrity (Policy 71), as well as to those outlining grievance or dispute procedures (Policy 70).

Late Work

Late papers (major assignments) will be penalized 2% (applied to your final-for-now grade) per day late. All major papers must be completed—you will fail the class if any of the major papers is not completed and submitted, however late. You must also complete all other shorter assignments on time.

Check the Course Schedule for all due dates. Remember that many short assignments will not be available to complete or submit if you miss a due date. It is very important that you also provide feedback to your peers in a timely manner. Late peer-review notes will miss out on a significant completion grade, and a pattern of late or insufficient peer-review may result in other penalties.

Course Concerns

If you are experiencing problems with the course or with the marking, you should first discuss your difficulties with your TA via email. If your problem persists, then you should contact the course instructor via email.

Students who believe that they have been wrongfully or unjustly treated or penalized have the right to grieve; refer to Policy #70, Student Grievance.

Online Etiquette

We want the class environment to be a positive one for everyone. Together we will create an online space that promotes mutual respect, positive discussions, the free exchange of ideas, and the productive use of time.

University Policies

Submission Times

Please be aware that the University of Waterloo is located in the Eastern Time Zone (GMT or UTC-5 during standard time and UTC-4 during daylight saving time) and, as such, the time that your activities and/or assignments are due is based on this zone. If you are outside the Eastern Time Zone and require assistance with converting your time, please try the Ontario, Canada Time Converter.

Accommodation Due to Illness

If your instructor has provided specific procedures for you to follow if you miss assignment due dates, term tests, or a final examination, adhere to those instructions. Otherwise:

**MISSED ASSIGNMENTS/TESTS/QUIZZES**

Contact the instructor as soon as you realize there will be a problem, and preferably within 48 hours, but no more than 72 hours, have a medical practitioner complete a Verification of Illness Form.

**Email** a scanned copy of the Verification of Illness Form to your instructor, and **mail** a hard copy to:

Centre for Extended Learning
University of Waterloo
200 University Avenue West
Waterloo, Ontario, Canada N2L 3G1

In your email to the instructor, provide your name, student ID number, and exactly what course activity you missed.
If your instructor agrees to re-open a time-limited component, our technical support staff (extendedlearning@uwaterloo.ca) will require an email from the instructor granting permission to allow you access.

Further information regarding Management of Requests for Accommodation Due to Illness can be found on the [Student Medical Clinic](https://www.uwaterloo.ca/studentmedicalclinic) website.

### MISSED FINAL EXAMINATIONS

If you are unable to write a final examination due to illness, seek medical treatment and provide confirmation of illness to the Centre for Extended Learning within 48 hours by emailing a scanned copy of the completed University of Waterloo [Verification of Illness Form](https://www.uwaterloo.ca/centreforextendedlearning/forms) to support your request for accommodation. In your email, provide your name, student ID number, and the examination(s) missed. You will be REQUIRED to hand in the original completed form at the time you write the make-up examination, which should be within a week of having missed your exam. The original completed form must be received before you are able to write a re-scheduled exam.

Further information about [Accommodation Due to Illness](https://www.uwaterloo.ca/centreforextendedlearning/illness) regulations are available in the Undergraduate Calendar.

### Academic Integrity

In order to maintain a culture of academic integrity, members of the University of Waterloo community are expected to promote honesty, trust, fairness, respect, and responsibility. If you have not already completed the online tutorial regarding academic integrity you should do so as soon as possible. Undergraduate students should see the [Academic Integrity Tutorial](https://www.uwaterloo.ca/centreforextendedlearning/academic-integrity) and graduate students should see the [Academic Integrity Website for Graduate Students](https://www.uwaterloo.ca/centreforextendedlearning/academic-integrity/graduate-students).

For further information on academic integrity, please visit the [Office of Academic Integrity](https://www.uwaterloo.ca/officeofacademicintegrity).

### Discipline

A student is expected to know what constitutes [academic integrity](https://www.uwaterloo.ca/centreforextendedlearning/academic-integrity) to avoid committing an academic offence, and to take responsibility for his/her actions. A student who is unsure whether an action constitutes an offence, or who needs help in learning how to avoid offences (e.g., plagiarism, cheating) or about “rules” for group work/collaboration should seek guidance from the course instructor, academic advisor, or the undergraduate Associate Dean. For information on categories of offences and types of penalties, students should refer to [Policy 71, Student Discipline](https://www.uwaterloo.ca/centerforacademicaffairs/policies). For typical penalties check [Guidelines for the Assessment of Penalties](https://www.uwaterloo.ca/centreforextendedlearning/policies).

### Appeals

A decision made or penalty imposed under [Policy 70, Student Petitions and Grievances](https://www.uwaterloo.ca/centreforacademicaffairs/policies), (other than a petition) or [Policy 71, Student Discipline](https://www.uwaterloo.ca/centerforacademicaffairs/policies), may be appealed if there is a ground. A student who believes he/she has a ground for an appeal should refer to [Policy 72, Student Appeals](https://www.uwaterloo.ca/centreforacademicaffairs/policies).

### Grievance

A student who believes that a decision affecting some aspect of his/her university life has been unfair or unreasonable may have grounds for initiating a grievance. Read [Policy 70, Student Petitions and Grievances, Section 4](https://www.uwaterloo.ca/centreforacademicaffairs/policies). When in doubt please be certain to contact the department’s administrative assistant who will provide further assistance.

### Final Grades

In accordance with [Policy 19](https://www.uwaterloo.ca/centreforacademicaffairs/policies), the Centre for Extended Learning does not release final examination grades or final course grades to students. Students must go to [Quest](https://www.uwaterloo.ca/quest) to see all final grades. Any grades posted in Waterloo Learn are unofficial.

### Note for Students with Disabilities

[AccessAbility Services](https://www.uwaterloo.ca/accessability), located in Needles Hall, Room 1132, collaborates with all academic departments to arrange appropriate accommodations for students with disabilities without compromising the academic integrity of the curriculum. If you require academic accommodation to lessen the impact of your disability, please register with AccessAbility Services at the beginning of each academic term and for each course.
Use of Computing and Network Resources

Please see the Guidelines on Use of Waterloo Computing and Network Resources.

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