ENC 1102
Research Project Guidelines

DUE DATES:

- 2/10  Submit a thesis statement (In-class; Typed or printed clearly)
- 2/12  Class LIBRARY orientation
- 2/21  Annotated Bibliography (Submit ONLINE). Four citations and annotations that contain no format errors. See handout for further clarifications.
- 3/14  Rough Draft (Submit through Angel Assignment Dropbox). It must include citations, integrated source information, and a Works Cited page. Failure to submit a Rough Draft will result in the lowering of your final research paper grade by one full letter grade.
- 4/21  Final Draft: Turn in the final draft of the research paper, the rough draft, and photocopies of all secondary source material used in the research paper. Place these items in a pocket folder and be sure to label the folder with your name and course information. Turn in during class time OR by 8:00 p.m. in my office (E-121). No late projects can be accepted. Failure to submit the research project will result in a failing grade for ENC 1102.

Requirements:

- 1000-1500 word original, literary argumentation / analytical essay on In Our Time by Ernest Hemingway. NO BOOK REPORTS HERE! No plot summaries! And, especially, no plagiarizing.
- Works Cited page with 4-8 scholarly sources (includes primary and secondary sources). Only academic sources will be considered such as those found on most of the school’s databases. Non-academic sources will not be accepted. Examples of unacceptable sources include but are not limited to Cliff Notes; Wikipedia; Bookrags; Barron’s notes; any “notes” related sources; book reviews; student papers.
- MLA formatting for whole document and research process.
- Original work. This project seems to bring out more student plagiarism. I catch these infractions and wish to clarify for students who don’t understand the difference between doing the work themselves and stealing it. Put simply, if a student is caught plagiarizing, at a minimum he or she will receive a zero on the assignment. This particular assignment is worth 25% of the final course grade.
- Thesis statement approval.
- Effective introduction that establishes the parameters of your project.
- Effective conclusion that wraps up and revisits but does not restate the main points of the essay.
- Clear, effective, academic tone, organization, and development.
- Grammar and mechanics that are practically perfect in every way.