

# ENGL 1143. X11: Introduction to Critical Reading and Academic Writing

Fall 2026 | B Term

Online

## Schedule:

\*Notice: Changes in the course syllabus, procedure, assignments, and schedule may be made at the discretion of the instructor.

| Week                    | Assignments                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Due Dates                                                                                             |
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| <b>1</b><br>10/17-10/23 | <p>Read:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Syllabus &amp; Calendar</li><li>• <i>The St. Martin's Guide to Writing (G2W)</i><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ Ch 1. Foundations for Becoming a Successful College Writer</li></ul></li><li>• <i>St. Martin's Handbook (St. MH) 9e:</i><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ Ch 9. Reading Critically</li><li>◦ Ch 3. Rhetorical Situations</li><li>◦ Ch 4. Exploring, Planning, and Drafting</li><li>◦ Ch 6. Reviewing, Revising, and Editing</li></ul></li><li>• <i>The Writer's Loop (WL):</i><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ Ch 5. Reading Actively and Critically to Create Meaning</li></ul></li></ul> <p>Optional Reading:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>St. MH:</i><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ Ch 8. Working with Others</li></ul></li></ul> <p>Do:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Introduction Discussion Board (DB)</li></ul> <p>Introduce:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Response Papers (RP)</li></ul> | <p>DB 1:<br/>Initial post due Wed<br/>10/21 @ 11:59pm</p> <p>Response due Fri<br/>10/23 @ 11:59pm</p> |

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| <p><b>2</b></p> <p>10/26-10/30</p> | <p>Read:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “How to Fix Social Media” (D2L)</li> <li>• “Warped Front Pages” (D2L)</li> <li>• “How and why do consumers access news on social media?” (D2L)</li> <li>• <i>Rules for Writers (Rules) 11e:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Ch 54. Managing information; taking notes responsibly</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <i>WL:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Ch 9. Managing, Annotating, and Summarizing Sources</li> <li>◦ Ch 4. Improving Your Draft Using Feedback and Revision</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Introduce:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rhetorical Analysis (RA)</li> </ul> <p>Do:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chapter Readings DB</li> <li>• Response Paper #1</li> <li>• RA Rough Draft</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                 | <p>DB 2:</p> <p>Initial post due Wed 10/28 @ 11:59pm</p> <p>Response due Fri 10/30 @ 11:59pm</p> <p><b>RP 1:</b></p> <p><b>Due Friday 10/30 @ 11:59pm</b></p>                              |
| <p><b>3</b></p> <p>11/2-11/6</p>   | <p>Read:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “Contesting Standardized English”</li> <li>• “‘Qué lo qué, papi’: Giants bridge cultural gaps with Spanish classes” (D2L)</li> <li>• <i>St. MH:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Ch 44. Comma Splices and Fused Sentences</li> <li>◦ Ch 33. Language &amp; Identity</li> <li>◦ Ch 34. Language Varieties</li> <li>◦ Ch 35. Writing to the World</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Optional Reading:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>St. MH:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Ch 38. Concise Writing</li> <li>◦ Ch 40. Sentence Variety</li> <li>◦ Ch 47. Consistent &amp; Complete Structures</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Do:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RA Peer Review DB</li> <li>• Rhetorical Analysis due</li> <li>• Response Paper #2</li> </ul> <p>Introduce:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Position Paper (PP)</li> </ul> | <p>DB 3:</p> <p>Initial post due Wed 11/4 @ 11:59pm</p> <p>Response due Fri 11/6 @ 11:59pm</p> <p><b>RP 2:</b></p> <p><b>Due Fri 11/6</b></p> <p><b>RA:</b></p> <p><b>Due Sun 11/8</b></p> |

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| <b>4</b><br><br>11/9-11/13  | Read: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>St. MH:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Ch 10. Analyzing Arguments</li> <li>◦ Ch 11. Constructing Arguments</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Selected stories from Science &amp; Technology*<br/>*more info to come</li> </ul> Do: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Response Paper #3</li> <li>• Position Paper Peer Review DB</li> <li>• Position Paper due</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | DB 4:<br>Initial post due Wed 11/11 @ 11:59pm<br>Response due Fri 11/13 @ 11:59pm<br><br><b>RP 3:</b><br><b>Due Fri 11/13</b><br><br><b>PP:</b><br><b>Due Sun 11/15</b> |
| <b>5</b><br><br>11/16-11/20 | Read: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “Influencer Parents and the Kids Who Had Their Childhoods Made into Content” ( D2L)</li> <li>• <i>WL:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Ch 8. Planning Your Research and Evaluating Sources</li> <li>◦ Ch 11. Integrating Ideas from Sources</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <i>St. MH:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Ch 12. Preparing for a Research Project</li> <li>◦ Ch 17. Writing a Research Project</li> </ul> </li> </ul> Optional (HELPFUL) Reading: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>G2W</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Ch 25. Writing for &amp; about Your Community</li> </ul> </li> </ul> Introduce: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annotated Bibliography (Ann Bib)</li> <li>• Synthesis Paper (SP)</li> </ul> Plan: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Research Question</li> <li>• Working Thesis</li> <li>• Possible Sources</li> </ul> Do: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brainstorming DB</li> <li>• Ann Bib</li> <li>• Response Paper #4</li> </ul> | DB 5:<br>Initial post due Wed 11/18 @ 11:59pm<br>Response due Fri 11/20 @ 11:59pm<br><br><b>RP 4:</b><br><b>Due Fri 11/20</b>                                           |

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| <b>6</b><br>11/23-11/27 | Read: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>St. MH:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Ch 16. Acknowledging Sources and Avoiding Plagiarism</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <i>Rules:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Ch 59. Documenting sources in MLA style</li> <li>◦ Ch 60. MLA format; sample research essay</li> </ul> </li> </ul> Do: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Synthesis Paper Draft</li> <li>• SP Peer Review DB</li> <li>• Ann Bib due</li> </ul> <p><b>Last Day to drop with a “W” - November 23 by 4pm</b></p> <p><b>No Class 11/25-11/29: Thanksgiving Break</b></p> | DB 6:<br>Initial post due Tues 11/24 @ 11:59pm<br>Response due Mon 11/30 @ 11:59pm<br><br><b>Ann Bib:</b><br><b>Due Mon 11/30</b> |
| <b>7</b><br>11/30-12/4  | Read: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>St. MH:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Ch 22. Design for Print &amp; Digital Writing</li> <li>◦ Ch 24. Communicating in Other Media</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <i>G2W</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Ch 22. Analyzing &amp; Composing Multimodal Texts</li> </ul> </li> </ul> Introduce: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remix Project</li> </ul> Do: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remix Project DB</li> <li>• SP Final Draft</li> </ul>                                                                              | DB 7:<br>Initial post due Wed 12/2 @ 11:59pm<br>Response due Fri 12/4 @ 11:59pm<br><br><b>SP:</b><br><b>Due Sun 12/6</b>          |
| <b>8</b><br>12/7-12/11  | Do: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remix Project Due</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>Remix:</b><br><b>Due Fri 12/11</b>                                                                                             |