

Description: This course is the second semester of the University's freshman composition program. It is devoted to developing critical reading and writing skills. It contains a short research component near the end of the semester. Engl 1B addresses all the SLOs as listed on the department's website: www.sjsu.edu/English/undergraduate/studentlearninggoals.html. The SLOs for general Ed are found at sjsu.edu/ugs/assess_report/GE_Objective_Assess_Table.pdf.

Required Texts:

Argument in America, ed. Jack Selzer (Penguin) [AA]

A collegiate dictionary

An English handbook (e.g., *The Bedford Handbook*)

If you order these or any other books on line from one of these vendors found in the link below, the English Department receives a premium as a contribution:

<http://www.sjsu.edu/english/donations/>

Grading: essays 70%; final exam 20%; class participation 10%

Schedule of Readings and Assignments

Aug 22: Introduction
29: Leopold AA 29-45; TIMED ESSAY

Sept 05: Cronon AA 46-73; Workshop
12: ESSAY DUE
19: Emerson AA 98-114
26: Eliot AA 115-123; DuBois AA 124-138; White AA 139-141

Oct 03: TIMED ESSAY
10: White AA 139-141; Workshop; Kozol AA 142-158; ESSAY DUE
17: Stern AA 159-160; Rich AA 164-171; Brownmiller AA 182-185; Strossen AA 186-191
24: Kristol 192-195, Cleaver 197-202; Workshop
31: Thoreau 334-349; Van Dusen 386-393; ESSAY DUE

Nov 07: Fallows 425-443
14: Rodriguez 456-467
28: ESSAY DUE; FINAL EXAM PREP

Dec 05: TIMED ESSAY; Final Exam Prep
08: Final Exam