

Criteria	Outstanding 10 points	Good 7 points	Fair 4 points	Unacceptable 1 point	Criterion Score
Approval for paper and rough draft	Paper topic was turned into Dropbox for approval on time and with relevant information. Completed documentation of paper was submitted with final paper of rough draft from the Writing Lab.	Paper topic was turned into Dropbox on time for approval but no information as given on style of paper. Incomplete documentation of paper was submitted with final paper from the Writing lab	Paper topic was turned in 3-5 days late to Dropbox for approval. Paper was turned into Writing Lab late and was not turned in with the final paper	No topic was turned into Dropbox for Approval. No rough draft was turned into Writing lab.	/ 10
Structure & Grammar	Thesis is clear, easy to find, and appropriate to the assignment. Thesis is supported by the rest of the paper. Paper contains no grammatical errors. There is a logical flow to the topics/arguments. Conclusion follows clearly from the arguments presented.	Thesis is clear and appropriate. Thesis fairly well supported. Paper contains a few grammatical & spelling errors. Paper is fairly well organized. Conclusion follows from the rest of the paper.	Thesis is fairly clear. Inconsistent support for thesis. Paper contains many grammatical & spelling errors. Paper weakly organized. Conclusion is acceptable.	Thesis unclear and/or inappropriate. Thesis not supported. Paper is not organized. Paper contains significant grammatical & spelling errors. Conclusion doesn't follow from the rest of the paper.	/ 10
Research & Sources	The evidence comes from a wide variety of valid sources. At least 3 journal articles are used. The bibliography is complete and reflects appropriate sources. The evidence used reflects multiple views.	The evidence comes from valid sources. The bibliography is complete. The evidence used reflects multiple views.	Valid sources are inconsistently used. The bibliography is missing some pieces.	The evidence seldom comes from valid sources. The bibliography is missing significant information.	/ 10

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Logical Argument	Arguments are pertinent to the topic. Arguments are logical, supported with evidence. The key arguments have been made – no major points have been left out.	Arguments are pertinent to the topic. Arguments are fairly logical and reasonably supported. Most key arguments have been made.	Arguments are not consistently pertinent, logical, or supported. Few key arguments have been made.	Arguments not pertinent. Arguments rarely, if at all, logical and supported. Almost no key arguments have been made.	/ 10

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Language and visual presentation	Language and style appropriate for intended audience. Paper presents well-developed analysis and synthesis. Main points are memorable. Reader is very engaged. Cover page with relevant info, including descriptive title. Section headings. Good graphics, with appropriate citations.	Language and style appropriate. Paper presents reasonable analysis and synthesis. Main points clear. Reader is engaged. Cover page. Sections headings. Graphics included. Professional looking.	Language and style only fair. Less-developed analysis and synthesis. Main points present, not well made. Most relevant information present. Some section headings, captions, or graphics used. Looks like H.S. paper.	Language and style poor. Analysis and synthesis lacking. Main points not discernable. Dirty or ragged appearance. Missing titles, captions, headings, name of author. Not professional.	/ 10