

Grading Rubric Paper #2 (Manifesto Preparation Draft)
MMW 121, Fall 2016
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In order to do well on this assignment, you must submit your 4-5 page manifesto preparation draft and grading rubric by Week 7 and accomplish the following:

1. Identify and use at least **one class-assigned source reading** that has inspired you to write this manifesto
2. Identify a **problem or concern** and explain how it interferes with your (or others') ability to live more fully human
3. Include a **persuasive declaration** (even if tentative) that addresses the above concern (this is your working thesis)
4. Explain **an action plan for positive change/transformation**
5. Attempt to **make a case** for the declaration and action plan including **evidence** from in-class material and/or outside scholarly sources
6. Attempt to explain the **significance or implications** of your manifesto
7. Identify and use at least **one outside scholarly secondary source** that is used to support your manifesto in some way
8. Use direct quotations sparingly and with intention
9. Provide in-text citations in MLA format where needed.
10. Provide a Works Cited page in MLA format.
11. Use clear, grammatically correct, stylistically effective expository prose (see green highlighting for errors).

A-/A: Meets all of the above criteria at an exceptionally high level, exceeding expectations, in most, if not all instances, and makes a persuasive argument.

B/B+: Meets most of the above criteria at a high level, with only minor exceptions and makes a persuasive argument.

C+/B-: Meets most of the above criteria at a high level, with some serious issues that interfere with full realization of goals.

C-/C: Minimally meets all of the above criteria, and for the most part succeeds at an acceptable level for this stage in the process, but assignment is difficult to follow or not compelling because of issues with one or more criteria

D: Meets some criteria, but missing several of the minimum requirements in bold above; often unclear or undeveloped; errors significantly impair the assignment

F: Fails to complete the minimum requirements of the assignment; paper is significantly too short, lacks citations or is unrelated to the prompt