ENG 250

Final Project (Projects 3 and 4 = Final Project)

Position Statement

**Due: 2/18/18**

**Purpose**: Write a position statement on the topic you choose, conforming to the PowerPoint instructions on Moodle, and using 250 words (the word count **does not** include APA Cover Sheet, Resources, or Writer’s Memo). The position statement process is broken up into 2 subparts – one part due **2/10** (see below) and one part due before **5:00 p.m. on 2/18**) (see below)

*General Directions*

1. Read materials and PowerPoint Instructions provided on Moodle.
2. Choose your topic and consider the audience your Position Statement intends to reach (Ex: your employer, your neighborhood, a government agency). Include a brief context (occasion, history, developments).
3. Obtain the research sources (2) and their citations needed to provide evidence for the argument/claims you make. Obtain (1) research source for an opposing opinion and its citation. (Total: 3 sources)
4. Write a draft position statement, using in-text citations to your sources where needed.
5. Charts, graphs, and other images can be used as sources as long as they were produced by reputable sources.
6. Peer review a full draft of your statement early by asking another other student, co-worker, friend, family member, etc. to review your work. This is an important step because your audience may not know anything about your topic and you want to be sure you described it clearly.
7. Make any changes and write the final draft of your Position Statement.
8. See instructions for uploading Projects 3 and 4 below:

Upload your Final Project documents to Moodle as follows:

**Due 2/10: Project 3 Package Deliverables**

* 1. Thesis Statement
  2. 2 credible reference sources to back up your position argument
  3. 1 credible reference source which represents an opinion that opposes your argument
  4. Short paragraph for each of your 3 references that summarizes its points (Total: 3 paragraphs)
  5. Complete APA citations for your 3 sources

**Grading Rubric**:

Thesis Position Statement: /50

3 Research Source Summaries: 25/

3 Resource citations in APA format: /15

Spelling/Gr/Se: /10

**Due 2/18 by 5:00 p.m.: Project 4 Package Deliverables**

1. Final 250 word draft position statement.
2. APA Cover Sheet
3. Writer’s Memo

**Grading Rubric:**

Final 250 Position Statement: /60

APA Cover Sheet: /5

Writer’s Memo (should apply to Projects 3 and 4): /25

Sp/Gr/Se: /10