

**EWRT 1A
Sections 46Z and 75Y**

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This EWRT 1A (five units) is taught totally online through Canvas where all detailed instructions are located under “Assignments,” and you can work at your own pace. I will be at my computer most mornings from 9-noon, but please feel free to contact me any time. I will ALWAYS respond within 24 hours. If you need to talk to me, I will be available for Zoom meetings Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9-noon.

***Note:** I will be on campus every Wednesday from 3:30-5:20pm for face-to-face instruction/conferences in Room S72. Please feel free to meet me there if you need extra assistance, are confused about something, or to obtain +5 bonus points. This is a mandatory class for students in EWRT 1A 75Y.

Required Texts: 1. *Patterns for College Writing* (14th ed.) editors Kirszner and Mandell

(*Note: There is a 15th edition of *Patterns for College Writing*. Save your money. It is 98% the same. Get the 14th Edition.)

2. *The Refugees* by Viet Thanh Nguyen

3. *The Samurai’s Garden* by Gail Tsukiyama

Student Learning Outcomes for 1A: 1: Practice writing as a multi-step process including planning and revising with attention to varying purposes, audiences, and rhetorical strategies. 2. Read and analyze rhetorically and culturally diverse narrative and expository texts from a variety of perspectives. This is a graded five-unit course.

Readings: There will be several readings a week followed by homework assignments and response writing. **All specifications are listed under “Assignments” in Canvas.**

Writing Assignments: Four essays are required. Typed essay format is demonstrated under essay “Assignments” in Canvas, following the 2016 MLA (Modern Language Association) 8th edition format. See *Patterns for College Writing* pages 737-758 and Purdue Owl on the internet for additional MLA clarification. (*Note: There is a 2021 MLA 9th edition. It is 99% the same as the 8th edition with no major changes, so just follow the examples given in the *Patterns for College Writing* 14th edition.)

Late Papers/Missed Assignments: You will not be allowed to make up any homework or essay unless you have discussed this with me by email. Also, any student who misses four homework assignments in a row without contacting me will be dropped.

Grading Procedure:

16 homework assignments (25 points each).....400
4 essays (150 possible points each).....600

*Total points possible 1000

EWRT 1A Grades: 1000-970=A+ (4.0), 969-930=A (4.0), 929-900=A- (3.7); 899-870=B+ (3.3), 869-830=B (3.0), 829-800=B- (2.7); 799-770=C+ (2.3), 769-730=C- (2.0), *there is no C- 729-670=D+ (1.3), 669-630=D (1.0), 629-600=D- (0.7); below 600=F (0.0).

*Online tutoring is provided by the WRC (Writing and Reading Center) at De Anza: go to Student Success Center Resources to find Zoom tutoring, workshops, and other online resources. Likewise, you can contact SSCWRD@fhda.edu.

Also, check out “Grammarly,” a free app that proofreads for grammar, spelling, and punctuation errors.

Note: Errors distract the reader from your message; thus, the more errors, the more distractions, the lower the grade.