

ENGL 103

Rhetoric & Composition I



Northern Illinois
University

WP0: What I Know about Writing

Description

There are three purposes of WP0, but the most important one is to get us ready to reflect critically on writing. Through this project, we want you to see what you know already and what you can build on. In addition, this project helps you get used to the Writing Project format you'll use for the remaining writing projects and helps you set up the portfolio.

Learning Outcomes

By the end of this writing project, you will be able to:

- Articulate what you already know about writing.
- Identify areas for improvement.
- Set up a writing project in your portfolio.

Requirements

Content

WP0 will focus on experiences you've had with writing, what you've learned from them, and what you still hope to learn. If you were to teach a less experienced writer about writing, what would you teach them? Why is this important? If you were to learn from a more experienced writer, what would you ask them to help you with?

WP0 should be *roughly* 300-500 words in length.

Submission

WP0 will be submitted in a discussion board post in Blackboard and then be adapted into your portfolio during class time. Please post your submission *in advance* to get full credit.

Due Date

WP0 is due on **Wednesday, Jan. 14**. We will put your draft into your portfolio on that day during class time.

Grading

WPO is graded using the checklists below. If you do not check all the boxes in the C column, your project will get an F. In order to get grades in a certain column, *all* of the boxes in that column must be met.

| C | B | A |
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| | You have completed all of the requirements in the C column plus: | You have completed all of the requirements in the C and B columns plus: |
| ✓ You have explained past things you learned about writing that were important. | ✓ You have explained why your past learning was important given at least one example of using what you learned in the past after you learned it. | ✓ You have explained why certain writing practices from your past are more important than others. |
| ✓ You have identified at least two things you want to learn about writing this semester. | ✓ You have given at least one example of how you will use what you want to learn in the future. | ✓ You have explained why certain writing practices will be important to you in the future. |
| ✓ You have explained why you want to learn certain things about writing. | ✓ You have provided a set of writing goals for yourself this semester. | ✓ You have provided an explanation of what work you will do this semester to meet your goals. |
| ✓ You have uploaded your project to your portfolio. | | |