Writing Studies and Rhetoric
Make Your Point
Documented Essay from WSC 002 class + Short Reading provided during the exam = Response Essay written during the exam
OVERVIEW OF THE PROFICIENCY EXAM

- Choose a revised, documented essay written for your WSC 002 class.
- Upload your WSC 002 documented essay to the PE Blackboard site.
- Read a short essay on writing; the essay is available on PE Blackboard site.
- Write a response essay that discusses how the reading might relate to your experience of writing the paper for WSC 002.
- Submit your response essay on PE Blackboard site.
Work with your WSC 002 professor to determine which essay best represents your most successful writing.

The paper should demonstrate that you can make a claim, support it, integrate sources, document a source (or sources), and revise.

The paper should be typed, double spaced, and use a consistent citation format (e.g. APA, MLA).

During your scheduled Final Exam period, you will upload your WSC 002 documented essay to the PE Blackboard site.
ON THE DAY OF THE EXAM

- Open your Blackboard PE site.

- Follow the directions on the site, including [Mark as Reviewed] the preliminary material and honor code.

- Review the prompt and read a short text about writing and the writing process.

- Read the short text carefully and annotate the selections you might quote or paraphrase.

- Take a moment to collect your thoughts, and then write a response essay in Word or Google Docs that explicitly addresses the prompt.
### Writing the Response Essay

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Use</th>
<th>Use the strategies for composition that you have learned in WSC 002 to prepare to write the response essay: list ideas, brainstorm, keep notes.</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Make</td>
<td>Make clear, direct claims, and use your own WSC 002 essay to consider and support your analysis.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Craft</td>
<td>Craft clear, organized paragraphs; use topic sentences.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Integrate</td>
<td>Integrate quotations and use in-text citations. (You do NOT need a Works Cited section.)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Offer</td>
<td>Offer a concluding paragraph that signals the end of your response essay.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Save</td>
<td>Save time at the end to review and revise your response essay.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Save and upload your response essay to PE Blackboard site.

For additional support, please see the Sample PE prompt and sample reading. See also the FAQs about the PE. These materials are available in your WSC 002 Blackboard site.