

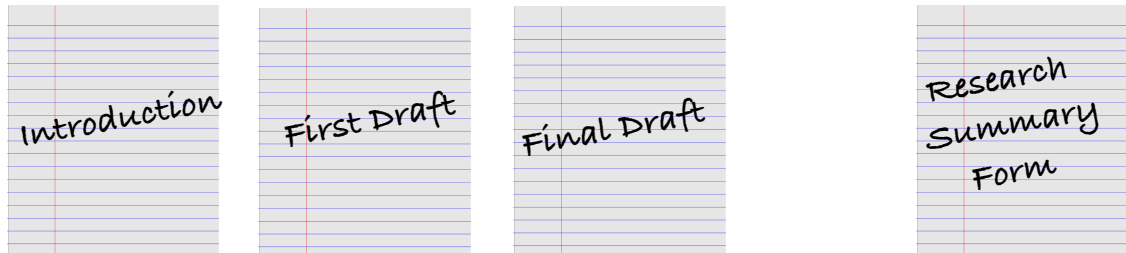
Overview of Writing Assignments for ENG 201

General Explanation:

Over the course of this semester, you will be building a final *thesis-driven* research essay in three separate stages. “Thesis-driven” means that the essay is focused on *one clear central idea*.

This step-by-step process is sometimes known as “scaffolding.”

Specific directions will be given on the weekly pages. The purpose of this document is to give a general overview of the *three* writing assignments you will be doing in this course and the research summary form.



Essay Introduction

- The introduction essay will be a 6-10 sentence introductory paragraph.
- The introduction will include a clear thesis statement.
- The introduction will contain a Works Cited page

Essay First draft

- Do not submit a first draft until your introduction and thesis have been reviewed by instructor.
- The introduction of the first draft will be a *corrected version of the same introductory paragraph* you submitted
- The first draft essay will be a 2-3-pages in length.

- The first draft will contain a Works Cited page

Essay Final Draft

- Do not submit a final draft until your first draft has been reviewed by instructor.
- The introduction, body, and conclusion of the final draft will be similar to the first draft; however, the essay will incorporate comments/corrections made by instructor on the first draft. *The final draft will also include secondary source research which has been approved by the instructor.*
- The final draft will be a 3-4-page research essay.
- The final draft will contain a Works Cited page.

Research Summary

- The research summary will be written *after* your first draft and *before* the final draft.
- The research summary is *not* an essay component. It is a report about the research you have done.
- The research summary will be a one-page form that you will fill out, documenting your research process.
- The research summary will contain a Works Cited page.

Notes:

- Please avoid the “I/we/our” and “you/your” points of view in ENG 201 essays. Write in the more academic third person voice.
- Please write in the present verb tense for ENG 201 essays.

