

SCHOLARS! WELCOME TO THE FALL SEMESTER 2025

EGL 101: Happiness & The Self - A Study of Perspectives in The Science of Happiness

EGL 101 Research & Writing Composition

A Course Created, Developed by Professor Mignano-Brady FSC

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My Name is Professor Brady and I am your Writing Professor this semester. I am also your “Happy” Professor ! I would like to extend a big welcome and map out some questions you may have as we embark on an educational journey this semester. This year marks the first semester of my 15th year teaching first year, first semester, freshmen Writing & Research at FSC. I am also known to teach Public Speaking, Lovers In Literature, Technical Writing and FYE !

My love of teaching has certainly inspired me in more ways than one and I look forward to meeting all of you!

OUR CLASS BEGINS on TUESDAY , 8/26

WE MEET IN PERSON ON OUR SCHEDULED TIME ON OUR SCHEDULED DAYS.

PLEASE NOTE!!!

You will take a Diagnostic Essay on DAY 1 : TUESDAY, 8/26- PLEASE BRING A PEN AND PAPER

ON DAY 2: THURSDAY, 8/28 I WILL INTRODUCE MYSELF, AND THE CLASS !

***I WILL HOST A CLASS ICE BREAKER ON 8/28**

PLEASE BRING THE SYLLABUS TO CLASS ON DAY 2 :

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1PJa2nmpzEbXupabEavFAmduske65WXCS/edit?usp=sharing&oid=109507672381224686342&rtpof=true&sd=true>

GET STARTED: Brightspace & OUR CLASS BLOG!

- Course Information : you will see information about the class . This will include your syllabus and information about the text. . **PRINT THE SYLLABUS!!!! BRING IT TO CLASS ON 8/26**
- Calendars and Assignments: EVERYTHING IS ON OUR CLASS BLOG .. However, I will also USE Brightspace and you can access the blog from Brightspace should you choose. I update grades and assignments on BRIGHTSPACE so that you can check your grades throughout the semester.
- I plan to GO OVER ALL OF THIS ON OUR FIRST DAY OF CLASS !
- Get to Know Your Professor – I posted a link “ J. Mignano- Brady Bio” Feel Free to Check it out!
- GET TO KNOW OUR Class Blog –www.identitythroughwriting.blogspot.com . EVERYTHING IS THERE!
- What’s Happening Today? Our class blog is a running record of assignments , updates, announcements and resources.. I will also post a “Daily Agenda” . It is on our Class Blog. This is an outline of what I will accomplish for the day. Students who are absent are able to view all assignments and lesson plans for the day .

ASSIGNMENTS ON OUR CLASS BLOG AND BRIGHTSPACE

- www.identitythroughwriting.blogspot.com
- **BRIGHTSPACE** – There is a link that takes you to our class blog.
- **Formal Written Papers & Published Writing Assignments** : will be introduced well in advance. I will go over the topics and the requirements in advance. Students will have access to the Formal Paper Assignments will be posted both on OUR CLASS BLOG AND ON BRIGHTSPACE. The same goes for Published Writing Assignments. YOU WILL SUBMIT GRADES ASSIGNMENTS ON BRIGHTSPACE - All daily assignments will be on the class blog.
- **How do I access the blog?** The Blog is on BRIGHTSPACE and committed to your memory after week 1 ! www.identitythroughwriting.blogspot.com – You are at liberty to save this link on your PC, Laptop or Smartphone.

THE BLOG WILL HAVE EVERYTHING YOU NEED! THE BLOG will encompass assignments, pubs, fishbowls, resources and formal paper assignments will also be posted on our class blog.

You can Go STRAIGHT TO OUR CLASS BLOG before and after EVERY CLASS !
<http://literatureforthesoul.blogspot.com/>

FSC Required Text:

BOOKSTORE: \$37 new and \$28 used. OR you can buy it directly from the publisher W.W. Norton online for \$22. Here is the link to the Norton *Let's Talk* site

--<https://wwnorton.com/books/9780393427189>

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NOTE ABOUT THE TEXT:

FSC Required Text: Let's TALK!

It is on OUR Class Syllabus AND POSTED ON OUR CLASS BLOG and in the BOOKSTORE- PLEASE KNOW THAT I DO NOT TEACH FROM THE TEXTBOOK- I TEACH authentic Writing Assignments and Ask that YOU print the articles at home or on campus.

The TEXT is a RESOURCE and is used as a REFERENCE ONLY!!!! FSC asks that students use the text.. **THIS IS NOT A PROFESSOR BRADY REQUIREMENT. The Text is a FSC requirement!**

Required Text: *Let's Talk* by Andrea Lunsford is a digital e-book that was published by W.W. Norton and Company in 2021. Its ISBN# is 78-0-393-44112-3. Here is the link to purchase it directly from Norton — <https://wwnorton.com/books/9780393427189>. You can also purchase it via Farmingdale's bookstore

WHEN WILL PROFESSOR BRADY GO OVER THE SYLLABUS, PAPERS AND PUBLISHED WRITING? WHEN WILL WE Have Ice BREAKERS? WHEN WILL WE GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER?

The SECOND Day of Class – THURSDAY, 8/28

ON 8/26 We will have an in-class Essay! Be Prepared (Bring a NOTEBOOK and PEN)

QUESTIONS / COMMENTS/ CONCERNS:

E-Mail me.. bradyj@farmingdale.edu.

Lastly,

MY Mantra:

"Remember that the happiest people are not those getting more, but those giving more."

— H. Jackson Brown Jr.

Another Great Inspiration:

" Nothing Great Was Ever Achieved Without Enthusiasm" - Ralph Waldo Emerson

Let us look forward to a happy and healthy semester filled with learning, positivity and everlasting bonds!

See you soon!

Professor Brady