The Final Reflection Essay

Overview: For this assignment, you will write a

Reflection Essay. The essay, which will discuss your most significant learning this semester, will serve as a conclusion to your Digital Portfolio.

Length: 750-1000 words

Genre: Reflection essay

Audience: Classmates + Teachers

FULL Draft Due:

FINAL Draft Due:

PORTFOLIO Draft Due:







Assignment Introduction

The Final Reflection Essay is a kind of research paper. Your task is to reflect and then to show, with explicit claims and supporting evidence, the most significant learning you've gained this semester.



Reflection is an ideal tool for critical thinking and learning. Writing the Final Reflection Essay will give you the chance to **name and exemplify** your most significant learning this semester. Reflecting through writing will increase the chances that you will retain the information.

Thus, the Final Reflection Essay, coupled with the Digital Portfolio, are in many ways the most important documents that you'll create for this class.

Instructor's Learning Goals

1. Make Claims about the Learning You Achieved This Semester

Provide 4+ claims (in the form of explicit statements) about the most meaningful insights and/or skills you've learned, unlearned, further developed, and/or fine-tuned this semester.

2. Provide Ample Evidence (Examples) to Support Each Claim

Evidence may come in the form of a **quote** or **screenshot** of your work, or through your **retelling** (your narrative/story) of a stated learning moment. Your major assignments, cover letters, homeworks, and in-class work should provide you with pieces of evidence and quote-worthy passages.

