

ACE Study Resource – ENGL 1302

Syllabus:

To search for your course syllabus, follow these instructions.

1. Visit the following website: <https://info.tamtu.edu/>
2. Input your course (ex: MATH 1314) into the “Search” box and make sure you are in the current term (ex: Spring 2022). Click “Search.”
3. Scroll down until you find your specific course (ex: MATH 1314.201) and professor’s name.
4. Click on “Syllabus” under your course and the file will automatically download. You are done!

Textbook:

Lunsford, Andrea, et al. *Everyone’s an Author*. 3rd edition. New York: Norton. 2021. ISBN: 978-0-393-88568-2.

Concepts:

- [Annotated Bibliography](#)
- Master the basic format of [MLA](#) and [APA](#)
- Learn how to use proper in-text citation in [MLA](#) and [APA](#)
- Understand how to outline and organize an optimal essay

Tips and Strategies:

- Review the syllabus before the first-class day. Mark down dates for assigned readings, essays, assignments, and homework in scheduler or planner.
- Highlight, annotate, and make any notes in assigned readings.
- Write down questions to ask in class or the instructor while reading texts.
- When writing your essay, make sure you are staying on topic by:
 - Verifying your points support/prove your thesis.
- Look at the guidelines for each assignment to understand what is required.
- When writing essays, putting source material in your own words counts as paraphrasing.
 - Give the appropriate citation in these cases to avoid being marked for plagiarism.
- When evaluating research sources, look out for:
 - The relevance, currency, bias (if any) purpose of the source & the author’s credibility.
- When peer reviewing, guide yourself by checking your peer’s thesis statement and if they stay focused throughout the essay, while revising for clarity, grammar, and MLA/APA citations. Guide your peer on how they can improve their work by giving constructive feedback.
- Schedule a tutoring appointment to brainstorm ideas, outline your essay, and/or review drafts.

Resources:

- [Academic Center for Excellence Tutoring](#): To book an appointment with visit our website, call (956) 326-2884, or send an email to academicsupport@tamiu.edu.
- [TAMIU ACE Academic Support Writing Handouts](#)

Practice and Application:

Below are practice problems to reinforce your knowledge of key course concepts.

1. What are the 3 main rhetorical appeals and what are they associated with?

Disclaimer:

- Please use this document as a supplemental resource. You must follow class instructions and expectations set by your professor.
 - This guide does not substitute your class.
 - This guide does not cover the entire syllabus or course.