



KNU Academic Writing & Study Skills **First Draft Assignment**

ASSIGNMENT DETAILS

- Your first draft is due in class on Friday, May 31st, 2019 (late assignments will receive half points – maximum of 2.5)
- The first draft assignment is worth 5 points. The combined total for the assignment on the grading rubric is 21 points. Your score (the number of points you earn) will be converted to a percentage, which will then be converted to a final score out of 5.

Example 15 points = 71% of 21; which equals 3.6 out of 5

DRAFT REQUIREMENTS

Your first draft does not have to be perfect and may contain some errors; however the essay must show the following components:

1. **A cover/title page** containing the title of your essay, your name, student number, course name, and the professor's name
2. **An introduction paragraph** which
 - a. identifies the general topic;
 - b. provides some background information to help establish/clarify the issue;
 - c. and offers a thesis statement identifying the main point of the essay
3. **A sufficient number of body (support) paragraphs** which
 - a. provide clear examples and information that support the thesis;
 - b. cite relevant sources (i.e. **in-text citations**) to help highlight or strengthen key points
4. **A conclusion** that brings the essay to a close.
5. **A reference list** containing details (Author's name, title of work, date of publication, publisher, etc.) of the sources you have found and used so far – you should have at least 3 sources in English (required) as well as any other sources in other languages (optional).

NOTE: The essay is also graded based on the **sources** you have selected as well as the **originality and critical thinking** shown in your writing. Refer to the grading rubric for additional information on how these components will be assessed.

ASSIGNMENT DUE DATE UPDATES:

Reading 3: Wednesday, May 29 (5/29/19)

First Draft: Friday, May 31 (5/31/19)

Final Draft: Wednesday, June 12 (6/12/18)

Individual Presentation: Friday, June 14 and Wednesday, June 19 (6/14/19, 6/19/19)