

Notes:

Rhetorical Situations

Modes of Persuasion**Critical Thinking**

Genre

Literacy Narrative

Revision

Working in Groups

Collecting Data

Forms of Media

Cover Letter

Talk about those topics that will help me in the future when studying Psychology.

WP2: What I have enjoyed in this class is the opportunity to work with others and have class discussions about certain narratives of literature and writing people have brought over the centuries. In this class, we focused on collaboration and communication, because when writing, you present your thoughts and ideas to a specific audience. When we presented our ideas or our writing, we were able to give each other feedback on what needed to be added or revised so it could meet our own expectations. This way, we can improve each other's writing for future use, especially when we are applying for jobs, creating compelling essays, and collaborating with others for a specific project. This was accomplished when we did the WP2 project based on modes of persuasion and forms of media to connect with our audience members. In groups, we were allowed to choose a video of our choice to evaluate how this video has impacted people through social media. We had to pick a specific video/post from a popular social media platform that has led to negative or positive effects on people's point of view. This was interesting because we were able to dive deep into a specific form of media through the eyes of a writer instead of a viewer. I enjoyed this project because I was able to evaluate the video we picked, which was a famous content creator's video of being a "regular guy", based on the relationship they had with their community and what kind of relationship they had over the years.

WP1: Despite working in groups throughout the semester, we were able to do a project on our own that depicts the inner struggles we've experienced and how we should present it through a form of media of our choice, and write an essay in detail about our experience. I enjoyed doing this WP1 because it allowed me to showcase the skills I have formed throughout the years in my writing, and I can improve or grow in my writing with the help of my peers and professor. This allowed me to come out of my comfort zone to participate in communicating with others and asking for advice, as this was our first introduction to the class and what sort of assignments we would receive in this semester, which included constant communication and revising to create our final draft. In this project, I was able to reconnect to a struggle I had when I was younger, which I had suppressed for years without realizing how it had affected me positively and negatively. We had the freedom to choose how we could accomplish and create this project, and I decided to create a comic book, which reflects my creative side and love for imagery with distinct details that helped me bring the vision I had for this project. Having the freedom to create our own project at the beginning of the year showed me how writing can be seen in many forms, despite it being known as essays or articles written in multiple paragraphs. It allowed me to gain insight into the genres of writing

and how they were used by many people as a way to express their own inner struggles, emotions, experiences, and love for creativity.

WP3: As this semester focused on working together, it also allowed us to come to an agreement with one another based on our own similar struggles and how we can present certain issues that impacted us as we use different routes of persuasion. With WP3, we were able to group with people who had similar problems they had experienced during the school year while attending NIU. In my group, the biggest issue we had with NIU was the resident hall bathrooms, since they were unhygienic and poorly maintained throughout the years, which can cause health hazards to students, specifically to girl students. With this project, we broke down the issue with great detail by interviewing people with questions we created and by providing immense evidence that showcases the concerns people had with the bathrooms. Creating constructive feedback on the school helped me understand how to formulate my claim, reasoning, and evidence to address any issues that can impact a student's journey to college. With this project, I was able to adapt a new form of writing as it allowed me to engage in a deeper level of cognitive processing to evaluate concepts that are presented in our world today. I had learned to discuss the dilemmas of the issue and what precautions the school has to take to protect the health of students as they strive for success, but it will ultimately become a struggle as their health deteriorates. This project helped me use the skills I have learned in psychology as I combined my writing with certain aspects of cognitive functions and the biology of human behaviors.

Conclusion: For my first year of college, I have learned numerous things this semester from this ENG 103 class. I was able to advance in my knowledge of literature, critical thinking skills, collecting data, communication, collaboration skills, and being able to write in many forms of writing. The most I have enjoyed learning about this class is how forms of media can impact everyone's point of view or perspective on the narrative of serious topics that go on around the world. It is interesting to know how an impact from a single post can have on the community because everyone is either quick to believe it is true based on who presents it or based on the factual information presented to prove their point. With this class, I was able to dig deeper into how media can lead to persuasion and narrative for the public, depending on how well they perform it, whether through their writing or their critical thinking skills. I gain this knowledge to better understand the inner workings of people's behavior as I major in psychology, which relates to people becoming vulnerable or convinced by social media or certain experiences that change their attitudes, behavior, and cognitive thinking, which leads to them changing their overall personality and social group. Writing is an important part of psychology, as you are in charge of evaluating a person's behavior through constant annotation, and you learn from their struggles and growth. There are numerous branches when you study psychology, but you can find a connection, as every psychology major depends on consistent writing methods to study, write a report, analyze experiments, or formulate an essay.