



Critical Analysis paper FIL2400

DUE 12/4/2008.

NO papers will be accepted after 12/5/2008. None. No, really, I'm not kidding. I won't take it.

Students will be expected to complete a critical analysis paper addressing one of the three major sections of the course as it relates to a particular work of art. Both the topic and the work of art selected are the responsibility of the student. The paper is to be formatted and cited using MLA standard style.*

Thesis statements/concept proposals for these papers are due to the instructor no later than 11/06/008

The paper must present a coherent argument demonstrating any of the following:

- How some technical or production element informs/creates the artistry of a particular film or portion of film
- How a historical or cultural context interacts, impacts, or is impacted by a particular film or portion of film
- The analysis of a particular film through the lens of a school of cinematic criticism.
- Other topics/analysis are subject to instructor approval.

The length of the paper is determined by its topic. The paper must be coherent, complete, and of college level quality (this *is* an upper level course, kids).

THE PAPER MUST BE THE WORK OF THE STUDENT (your work). The paper will require outside academic sources, and those sources MUST be cited according to MLA standards.*

Failure to use outside sources *correctly* and/or cite them *correctly* will result in the loss of 20 points.

Failure to engage your own brain and analyze will result in failing the assignment. If you have to give credit to an outside source for every sentence, you're doing this wrong.

Failure to cite sources and/or copying and pasting parts of your paper from outside sources is PLAGIARISM. It is stealing; it is dishonest; it will result in a zero on this assignment.



* NOTE:

If you do not know what MLA is or how to use it...

1. What the *bleep* did you do in ENC1101? All college students are expected to understand how to write and cite a paper using a standardized format (usually MLA or APA). This knowledge is required to survive in college; it is presented in ENC1101. If you didn't learn it then, you're going to need to now.
2. Go. Hunt. Learn. As a college student, ignorance is not an excuse. There are numerous resources both on campus (LSC & LRC) and online where you can learn the correct format for MLA. Go with the NIKE brand on this one – just do it.