

Critical Methods of Reading & Writing

Research Essay

Due Monday, December 10 at 1:00, in my office. Early essays (before Monday) can be accepted in hard copy, or as email attachments.

The research essay needs to reach approximately *eight* double-spaced pages, not including the Works Cited page. One easy way to extend the length of a research essay that is coming up too short is to add more sources. Another is to analyze more passages of the text(s) in question.

The essay must exhibit MLA style in-text (parenthetical) and end-of-text (Works Cited) citations. Please remember that when line numbers are provided, as with Whitman and Shakespeare, you should supply line numbers in parenthesis, not page numbers. You must always indicate the line breaks in verse.

There need to be at least *three* outside research sources that you locate on your own. A research sources is a scholarly source, usually found in a database or on a Malpass bookshelf.



If you want the essay returned with comments, you will need to give me a self-addressed, stamped page-sized envelope. If you would like only my comments, a regular sized stamped, self-addressed envelope will do.

I will not send comments by email, but I will give your grade by email on request.