***LETTER GRADE CRITERIA—COLLEGE LEVEL WORK in ENGLISH/HUMANITIES***

***A - OUTSTANDING*** *- It must clearly be exceptional or outstanding work.  It must demonstrate keen insight and original thinking.  It must not only show full understanding of the topic or issues addressed, but also provide a critical analysis of these.  In addition, an A grade reflects a student's ability to clearly and thoughtfully articulate in writing his or her learning, and that includes error-free MLA documentation, and extensive use of scholarly and/or credible, primary and secondary sources.*

***B - GOOD -*** *It must be good to excellent work.  It must demonstrate strong originality, comprehension, critical thinking, and attention to detail.  In addition, a B grade reflects a student's ability to clearly articulate in writing his or her learning, and that includes MLA documentation with only minor errors, and predominant use of scholarly and/or credible secondary sources.*

***C - SATISFACTORY -*** *It must meet the expectations of the assignment.  It must demonstrate solid comprehension, critical thinking, and attention to detail.  In addition, a C grade reflects a student's ability to adequately articulate in writing his or her learning, and that includes somewhat recognizable MLA documentation and mostly use of secondary and/or popular and tertiary sources.*

***D - MARGINAL –*** *It must only partly meet the expectations of the assignment.  It must demonstrate at least some comprehension, critical thinking, and attention to detail.  In addition, a D grade may reflect a student's difficulty in articulating his or her learning, and barely grasp the use of MLA documentation and of research sources.*

***F - FAILURE-*** *It does not meet the expectations or objectives of the assignment.  It demonstrates consistent problems with comprehension, organization, critical thinking, and supporting details.  In addition, an F grade reflects a student's inability to articulate in writing his or her learning, and to exhibit minimum use of MLA documentation, and research sources.*

*The caveat to all the above is that in order to avoid repeating this course, a student must receive at least a C- (70%) or better on the final course essay and the overall course average.*