

Final Reflective Essay #3

When I first came into this class I knew it was going to be tough. I knew it was going to be a lot of work and that we would be writing a ton. It definitely lived up to my expectations. However, because I expected this it didn't turn out that bad. Yes it was a lot of work, but it was manageable and I was able to accomplish everything that was assigned to me.

Through the three portfolios I liked the first one the best. I don't get a chance to write in a more informal voice and I enjoyed the opportunity to do so. It was great practice. The other portfolios were good also. I know that they are very similar to what colleges will have me do so I was grateful for the opportunity to practice those styles of writing.

This year I have improved a lot with my editing. I used to only edit as I went and didn't read my essay the whole way through until the final draft. When I was doing these portfolios however, I was forced to edit them multiple times. This helped me so much and made my papers a lot better in my opinion. I got to edit and refine them until I was satisfied with what I had written. This will help me later in life when I am writing papers and just help my writing be better in general. It is rarely perfect the first time through and it is important to edit in order to get the best paper possible.

This class was busy, like I said, but I think that everything that we did had a purpose and really helped my writing. I honestly thought that the class prepared me for college and taught me how to be a better reader/writer. I am still not a fan of peer editing, but I do see how it is important to get different feedback from a new perspective. I want to say that I have suggestions to change this class because it was so busy, but I honestly can't think of any. This class really helped me and prepared me to get out there in college!