Argumentative Essay

Name: __________________________________________________

Prompt: Do members of a culture have the right to restrict access to cultural symbols?

Your essay should be approximately 3-4 pages long and consist of the following (note that this is also the format for your draft one outline):

- Introduction (about ½ - ¾ pages)
  - Hook the reader
  - Provide background on the conversation
  - Define terms
  - State thesis

- Body (2 - 2 ½ pages)
  - Argument 1
    - Supporting evidence…
  - Argument 2
    - Supporting evidence…
  - Argument 3
    - Supporting evidence…

- Conclusion (less than ½ of a page)
  - Return to your thesis
  - Open the conversation up to further discussion – what next?

The thesis and each argument must be in bold.

Your essay should correctly cite at least one of the texts we read in class.

Due Dates:

- Wednesday, March 13th – thesis and at first 2 arguments due in class
- Monday, March 18th, 2018: Draft One due in-class. Peer revision workshop.
  **Draft One should be a 1-2 page outline** that includes the defined terms, thesis, arguments, supporting evidence (including sources), and the “what next” part of the conclusion.
- Wednesday, March 20th 2018: Open Forum in class. Last chance to ask questions about your essays.
- Monday, March 25th, 2018: Essays due in-class

Check-list for Thursday, October 25th, 2018 (papers together in the following order):

- This assignment sheet
- Final (2nd) draft of essay
- Peer revision worksheet
- First draft (detailed outline) of essay
Argumentative Essay Grading Rubric

Paper formatted correctly 10%
  • Name, date, professor, class (5)
  • Original Title (3)
  • 12 point font, one-inch margins (2)

Draft One and Peer Review Workshop 15%
  • Draft One on-time (5)
  • Participation in the peer review workshop (10)

Introduction 15%
  • Hook (2.5)
  • Background (2.5)
  • Define Terms (5)
  • Thesis (5)

Body/Arguments 50%
  • Three arguments (21)
  • Supporting Evidence (21)
  • Citation and analysis of source (8)

Conclusion 5%

Follows Directions 5%
  • All required papers turned in and ordered correctly (2)
  • Thesis and 3 arguments in **bold type** (3)

Total 100%