

	ENC 2135 Project One Rubric		
		Total points available	Total points earned
Content	Introduction pulls the reader in and instills a sense of interest in the topic for the reader.	10	
	Clear thesis - author's position is easily identified. Or, research question clearly establishes direction of inquiry.	10	
	Author makes a connection with the audience and motivates a sense of interest in the topic; persuades reader to see things his/her way. Uses good logic—few to no holes can be found.	20	
	Concrete examples (direct quotes, paraphrases, and summary from source) are sufficiently and appropriately provided.	20	
	Quotations are not left dangling. A clear introduction for the quotation is provided and necessary follow-up information connecting the quote to the content is provided.	15	
	Demonstration of research synthesis is evident. Author pulls from various sources to discuss main ideas. The paper is organized around main ideas, not summarizations from sources.	15	
	Consistent focus and organization is apparent and maintained throughout the paper.	15	
	The conclusion wraps up the claims that the author wants to make and provides a clear ending point for the reader.	10	
Overall Writing	Provides a compelling title.	5	
	Employs smooth and graceful transitions between sentences and paragraphs	10	
	Tone is appropriate for audience and purpose and author uses compelling word choice; demonstrates insightful use of language; word choice is efficient, non-repetitive; ideas are not repeated either	10	
	Demonstrates mastery of grammar with few to no errors (i.e. sentence structure, spelling, punctuation, tense/verb agreement, pronoun reference, misused words, etc.)	10	
	Proper MLA format and citation method used	15	
	Meets the minimum number of required sources (6 scholarly, 8 total)	15	
	Reaches the required word count (1,800)	20	
	Total points available/Total points earned	200	
	Letter grade earned		