# 1 | Essay Template

### 1.1 | General Information

Due Date	Topic	Important Documents
In two days []	TOPIC	DOCUMENTS, HERE

### 1.2 | **Prompt**

THE PROMPT

## 1.3 | Claim Synthesis (Babingtonization)

#### 1.3.1 | Development phase – How and So-What

- CLAIM
  - How THING THAT ATTACKS INTERGRITY OF CLAIM
    - EVIDENCE and SPECIFICITY
  - So what (local), THING THAT ATTACKS THE RELEVANCE OF CLAIM TOWARDS THE BROADER PICTURE
- · CLAIM
  - Repeat...

### 1.3.2 | Testing phase - Why and So-What

- · CLAIM
  - Why DOES THE CLAIM ANSWER THE PROMPT?
  - So what (global), THING THAT ATTACKS THE BROADER IMPACT OF THE CLAIM
- · CLAIM
  - Repeat...

#### 1.4 | Defluffifying

CHOSEN THESIS CLAIM

- Point a
- Point b
- Point c

So what? SO WHAT

Now, defluffify by re-writing the three points + so what in as little words as possible.

#### **RESTATED CLAIM**

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## 1.5 | **Outline**

- · Claim 1: claim
  - How
    - HOW IS CLAIM TRUE?
    - Evidence -> HOW IS YOUR REASONING TRUE?
  - · So What
    - · WHY DO I CARE?
- · Claim 2: claim
  - How
    - HOW IS CLAIM TRUE?
    - Evidence -> HOW IS YOUR REASONING TRUE?
  - So What
    - WHY DO I CARE?
- · Claim 3: claim
  - How
    - HOW IS CLAIM TRUE?
    - Evidence -> HOW IS YOUR REASONING TRUE?
  - So What
    - · WHY DO I CARE?

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