**Extended Essay Syllabus**

The entire purpose of this course is to give you some extra space and time as you compose your extended essay for the IB. All of you are seeking the IB diploma, and all of you know that the extended essay is a requirement for that diploma. While you are receiving a grade for this course from Sumter High School, the grade will not be based on the totality of the essay you produce. Rather it will be based on the process through which you go.

**Schedule:** We will meet on Fridays during 4th block in room A207. Bring your laptops and your materials. I will be working with you individually on those days, but you are expected to attend class unless I dismiss you.

**Grading:**

Minor grades are based on your journal. I expect you to produce 1 journal entry per week in which you reflect on your progress with the paper. I am looking for an honest self-assessment. What have you done? What haven’t you done? Where have you found success? Where have you run into problems? What are you planning to do this week? Journal entries should be at least one page hand-written and no more than two. I will check them twice a quarter.

Major grades are based on two things: 1) submissions of your actual paper and conference with me and 2) conferences with your supervisor and the completion of your supervisor conference form. For your conference with me, I am not going to be doing full read-throughs and evaluations of this paper. I will scan your thesis and topic sentences. I will scan your use of textual evidence and following of MLA. I will be looking for progress. Have you produced a better draft since your previous one? I will have a 15 minute conference with you as I examine the paper in front of you. I encourage you to take notes as I do so. I will not write on your paper. You must bring a print out of your paper to class, and you must also submit it to me electronically.

Minor grades = 40%

Major grades = 60%

You will have two minor grades and two major grades per quarter.

**Tardy: I will establish deadlines and hold you to them. I will deduct 10 points per week if you have not submitted your journals or held your conferences.**

I will place the dates for the journal checks and the submissions on Google Classroom.

Contact: I am here to help you, and I know that you are going to be working in the evenings or on weekends. You are welcome to contact me with you whatever questions you have.

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