

# Blog Post/Critique Grading Rubric

WRTG 3020: Writing in Global Justice • Summer 2016

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

<i>Specific Requirements</i>	<i>Omitted</i>	<i>Needs Work</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>% of Total Earned</i>
<p><b>Descriptive and unique title (10%):</b> this is a caption, like in newspaper articles, which should concisely capture the main idea of your argument.</p> <p>E.g., if arguing for strict admission quotas of Syrian refugees: “No One Country Should Carry the Burden of the Syrian Crisis.” Or if arguing that a system of wage labor systematically disadvantages the poor: “The Minimum Wage Must Be a Fair Wage.”</p>	✓	✓	✓	%
<p><b>Argument (30%):</b> you must construct a convincing argument in support of your position—what is the substance of your claim, and why is your perspective on the issue the correct one?</p>				%
<p><b>Evidence (30%):</b> while you are encouraged to draw on assigned course readings to justify your argument, <b>you must also cite at least two reputable external sources to support your argument</b>—news articles, academic journal articles, etcetera, which were not assigned to read for class.</p> <p><b>In-text citations</b> will vary with the citation style you use (APA, MLA, Chicago), but they must <i>at least</i> include the author’s last name and specific page numbers from which you draw a quote, paraphrase, or summary. For example, (Brown, 22-3).</p>				%
<p><b>Counterargument (15%):</b> you must discuss <i>at least one</i> objection to your thesis—that is, discuss one possible weakness or problem with your thesis; one reason why your argument might be wrong.</p>				%
<p><b>Proper length (10%):</b> responses must be a <i>minimum</i> of 300 words and <i>no more</i> than 500 words.</p>				%
<p><b>Works Cited (5%):</b> at the <u>end</u> of your response, you must include the full citations of your external sources (MLA, APA, or Chicago style)—these do <u>not</u> count toward the required word limit.</p> <p>For example, Kunzig, Robert. 2011. “Population 7 Billion: Can the Planet Take the Strain?” <i>National Geographic</i>. January.</p>				%
<p>Grade:</p> <p>Comments:</p>				