

MONTGOMERY COLLEGE EN101/101A PORTFOLIO RUBRIC

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

CRN #: \_\_\_\_\_

Reader:          Student          Instructor          Outside Reader          (circle one)

*Exceptional*    *Acceptable*    *Unacceptable*

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**Focus and Organization:** Essays respond to instructor’s assignment guidelines with a strong, clear, and specific thesis statement. A thesis statement controls each essay. Each support paragraph has a clear connection to the thesis. Essays have clear introductory, support, and concluding paragraphs. Every paragraph is unified by a single concept, and the details within each paragraph are organized logically. Author makes effective transitions within and between paragraphs.

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**Content and Development:** Thesis claims are supported effectively. Author fully develops the main idea of each paragraph by using accurate, detailed, and descriptive examples. At least one essay demonstrates author’s engagement with other writers or thinkers. When using language and ideas of others, author quotes or paraphrases effectively and uses appropriate signal phrases and documentation.

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**Audience Awareness and Style:** Author presents material in a sophisticated and engaging manner that is meaningful to outside readers. Author is aware of audience and has gone beyond writing about “me.”

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**Grammar and Mechanics:** Grammar and mechanical errors do not interfere with clarity. Author uses a variety of sentence types appropriately.

Comments and Suggestions:

Portfolio is \_\_\_\_\_ **Acceptable**          \_\_\_\_\_ **Unacceptable**