Fall 2019 Important Dates:
- Classes start: Aug 26
- Census Day: Sept 11
- Course drop deadline: Nov 1
- Final Exam week: Dec 9-13
- Final grades available on Goldmine: Dec 19

Fall 2019 Academic Calendar:
Items in each module are noted as “read,” “write,” “quiz,” “submit,” “test,” etc. to help you understand what each module will entail. You should get into the habit of logging in on Monday morning, reviewing that week’s module requirements, and creating a time table of when you will get the work done. It is your responsibility to keep abreast of posted due dates. Late work is not accepted in this class.

I recognize that as an online student, you come to the virtual table with demanding outside responsibilities. One of the perks of being an online student is being able to do a majority of your education on YOUR terms. I respect your outside responsibilities and trust that you will work at a steady and progressive pace to complete each module in a timely manner. The only staggered due date in UNIV 1301 is your discussion post that is due by Friday 11:59pm MT. Everything else, including commenting on your peers’ posts, is due by Sunday 11:59pm MT.

I caution you from putting everything off to the last minute. These modules are doing the same amount of work as if you were attending a 3-hour course face-to-face plus completing an appropriate amount of homework duties. It is unlikely that anyone can complete that much work in one to two days and actually produce quality work. Putting the module off until the last minute is setting yourself up for academic failure.

If the class shows clear signs of putting the work off until the last minute and/or submitting work that is of poor quality because it was sloppily thrown together at the last minute, then I will be forced to change the due dates of the remaining modules and stagger them throughout the week. Abusing the flexibility that your online UNIV 1301 course offers will not be tolerated.

Weekly Modules:
This is a tentative schedule. While the course endeavors to follow it, there will sometimes be revisions to assignments and/or substitutions. For this reason, always consult course modules on Blackboard as your primary source to access updates to the schedule, links, and other course materials.

*Note that all times are listed as Mountain Time (MT), be it Mountain Daylight or Mountain Standard time, depending on the time of the year.*
Week #1
Read: Syllabus
Quiz: Syllabus Quiz, due Sunday 11:59pm MT
Read: Borders Ch 2, p. 33-40 only
Quiz: Borders Ch 2, p. 33-40 only, due Sunday 11:59pm MT
Do: Getting to Know UTEP Exploration
Watch: President Barack Obama’s Special Message to UTEP (1:11)
Write: Journal #1, due Sunday 11:59pm MT
Read: Borders Ch 1, p. 1-15 and 19-24 only
Watch: UTEP Edge (1:16)
Quiz: Borders Ch 1, due Sunday 11:59pm MT
Write: Discussion Post #1, due Friday 11:59pm MT

Looking ahead to next week: Online learning; learning styles; popular culture; rhetorical appeals

Week #2
Read: Borders Ch 3, p. 63-78 only
Quiz: Borders Ch 3, due Sunday 11:59pm MT
Read: Borders Ch 3, p. 52-62 only
Do: What’s your Learning Style Quiz
Write: Discussion Post #2, due Friday 11:59pm MT
Read: Popular Culture
Watch: An Introduction to Ethos, Logos, and Pathos (4:20)
Watch: Rhetorical Appeal: Logos (1:52)
Read: Rhetorical Triangle: Logos
Write: Journal #2, due Sunday 11:59pm MT

Looking ahead to next week: Rhetorical appeals (continued)

Week #3
Read: Rhetorical Triangle: Pathos
Watch: Rhetorical Appeal: Pathos (1:43)
Write: Journal #3, due Sunday 11:59pm MT
Write: Discussion Post #3, due Friday 11:59pm MT

Looking ahead to next week: Rhetorical appeals (continued)

Week #4
Read: Rhetorical Triangle: Ethos & Character
Read: Rhetorical Triangle: Ethos & Values
Watch: Rhetorical Appeal: Ethos (2:04)
Write: Journal #4, due Sunday 11:59pm MT
Write: Discussion Post #4, due Friday 11:59pm MT

Looking ahead to next week: UTEP in American popular culture; academic advising; GPA
Week #5
Watch: UTEP in American popular culture (TBA)
Write: Journal #5 (min. 1200 words), due Sunday 11:59pm MT
Read: Borders Ch 2, p. 41-51 only
Quiz: Borders Ch 2, p. 41-51 only, due Sunday 11:59pm MT
Read: Academic Advising & Degree Evaluation
Do: Degree Evaluation
Submit: Degree Evaluation, due Sunday 11:59pm MT
Do: GPA
Submit: GPA, due Sunday 11:59pm MT
Write: Discussion Post #5, due Friday 11:59pm MT

Looking ahead to next week: Avoiding hazards along the way; social issues; group selections

Week #6
Read: Borders Ch 6, p. 144-150 only
Quiz: Borders Ch 6, due Sunday 11:59pm MT
Write: Discussion Post #6, due Friday 11:59pm MT
Read: Social Issues
Do: ProCon Exploration
Write: Journal #6, due Sunday 11:59pm MT
Read: Selecting a Social Issue
Do: Select a group / social issue

Looking ahead to next week: Campus resources; library orientation* [*lengthy task]

Week #7*
*Note: Library Module is a lengthy assignment – get started early!
Read: Borders Ch 10, p. 232-235
Do: Campus Resources Exploration
Write: Discussion Post #7, due Friday 11:59pm MT
Read: Borders Ch 5, p. 132-143 only
Quiz: Borders Ch 5, due Sunday 11:59pm MT
Do: Library Module (lengthy), due Sunday 11:59pm MT
Write: Journal #7, due Sunday 11:59pm MT

Looking ahead to next week: Research paper + infographic; academic resources; academic integrity

Week #8
Read: Research Paper + Infographic Guidelines
Write: Research paper + infographic (due end of Week 10)
Read: Resources
Watch: UTEP Connect Library Resources (6:32)
Watch: University Writing Center – Online Services (2:33)
Write: Discussion Post #8, due Friday 11:59pm MT
Read: Borders Ch 6, p. 151-155 only  
Do: Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution Exploration  
Watch: “Academic Integrity” (5:51)  
Write: Journal #8, due Sunday 11:59pm MT

Looking ahead to next week: Non-traditional students; my Edge so far

Week #9  
Write: Research paper + infographic (due end of Week 10)  
Read: four articles on Non-Traditional Students  
Write: Discussion Post #9, due Friday 11:59pm MT  
Watch: UTEP Edge: UTEP Students Edge Out the Competition (7:34)  
Watch: UTEP Edge: Meet Daisy (1:00)  
Watch: Steven Brown UTEP Edge (1:15)  
Write: Journal #9, due Sunday 11:59pm MT

Looking ahead to next week: Research paper + infographic due

Week #10  
Write: Research paper + infographic  
Submit: Research paper + infographic (one person in the group), due Sunday 11:59pm MT  
Write: Discussion Post #10, due Friday 11:59pm MT  
Write: Journal #10, due Sunday 11:59pm MT

Looking ahead to next week: Analysis paper; financial literacy

Week #11  
Read: Analysis Paper Guidelines  
Read: Popular Culture Refresher  
Read: Logos, Pathos, Ethos Refreshers  
Write: Analysis Paper (due end of Week 12)  
Write: Discussion Post #11, due Friday 11:59pm MT  
Watch: “How I learned to read – and trade stocks – in prison” (11:03)  
Do: Money Matters Exploration  
Read: Borders Ch 9, p. 214-231 only  
Write: Journal #11, due Sunday 11:59pm MT

Looking ahead to next week: Campus carry; analysis paper due

Week #12  
Read: Campus Carry  
Do: Campus Carry Exploration  
Quiz: Campus Carry, due Sunday 11:59pm MT  
Read: Borders Ch 6, p. 151-169 only  
Write: Discussion Post #12, due Friday 11:59pm MT
Read: Borders Ch 1, p. 27 only
Write: Journal #12, due Sunday 11:59pm MT
Submit: Analysis paper (one person in the group), due Sunday 11:59pm MT

Looking ahead to next week: Career planning; Choices360* [*lengthy task]

**Week #13**
*Note: Choices360 Comprehensive Planner is a lengthy assignment – get started early!*
Read: Borders Ch 8, p. 196-210 only
Quiz: Borders Ch 8, due Sunday 11:59pm MT
Read: Choices360 Instructions
Do: Choices360 Comprehensive Planner (*lengthy*)
Submit: Choices360, due Sunday 11:59pm MT
Write: Discussion Post #13, due Friday 11:59pm MT
Watch: “Why the best hire might not have the perfect résumé” (10:31)
Read: Résumé Writing
Read: S.T.A.R. Method
Read: Business Insider article
Write: Résumé (due Wednesday of Week 14)
Write: Journal #13, due Sunday 11:59pm MT

Looking ahead to next week: Résumé due; mini-reflection; careers in popular culture

**Week #14** (Thanksgiving!)
Submit: Résumé, due Wednesday 11:59pm MT
Write: Discussion Post #14, due Wednesday 11:59pm MT
   *Note: Comments on peers’ post due by Sunday, 11:59pm MT*
Write: Journal #14, due Sunday 11:59pm MT

Looking ahead to next week: Career anxiety; Edge reflection

**Week #15**
Write: Discussion Post #15, due Friday 11:59pm MT
Read: My Edge Advantage Guidelines
Write: Journal #15, due Sunday 11:59pm MT
Do: Permission to Use Student Work, due Sunday 11:59pm MT

Looking ahead to next week: Finals Week

**Week #16** (Finals Week)
Read: Final Essay Guidelines
Write: Final Essay
Submit: Final Essay, due Sunday 11:59pm MT