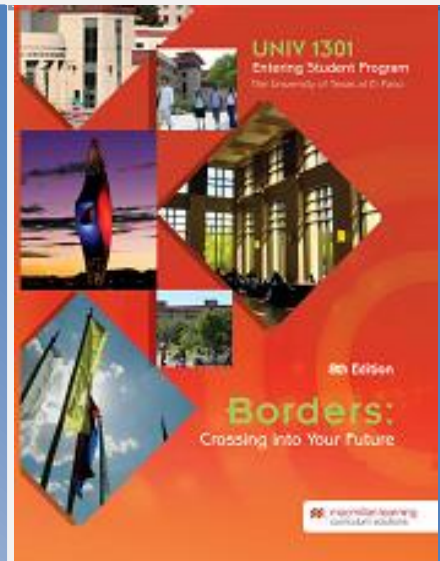


UNIV 1301



Required Text

Borders: Crossing into Your Future,
8th edition

ISBN# 978-1-5339-1182-7 [Bookstore](#)

Course Description

Students will learn how to critically analyze the representation of social issues in American popular culture. They will gain a deeper understanding of rhetoric, strengthen their academic performance, and explore their future career paths. Students will develop their Edge Advantage skills including critical thinking, communication, leadership, problem-solving, and teamwork.

At the end of this semester, students will have achieved the following goals:

- ✓ Develop and apply elements of leadership through effective individual participation and meaningful team collaboration
- ✓ Examine the roles and responsibilities crucial for their success in college and beyond
- ✓ Identify, assess, and build on their strengths and experiences to develop academic and transitional strategies necessary for success in their academic, career, and life goals
- ✓ Engage in research and critical thinking activities that demonstrate their ability to effectively integrate their learning within, across, and beyond academic settings
- ✓ Engage in campus and community activities to increase their sense of academic and social belonging

UTEP Edge: You will become more aware of the UTEP Edge and your Edge Advantages through this course. You will become more familiar with and strengthen the many assets you bring to the university.

Participation Clause: This is a discussion/workshop class, not a lecture class. Therefore, you must attend each class period to participate in discussions, group projects, and in-class activities that will develop your Edge Advantages as a college student. Keep in mind that each absence is harmful to your grade.

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Accessing Blackboard

<http://my.utep.edu>
>> Blackboard >> My Courses

Or click [here](#) or [here](#)

Problems?

Contact the Helpdesk at 747-5257

Events on Campus

Work @ UTEP Job Fair
W Sept 4 | 10:00a-1:00p | Union Breezeway

Career EXPO
R Sept 19 & F Sept 20 | 9:00a-2:00p |
Don Haskins Center

Graduate & Professional Schools Fair
W Oct 2 | 10:00a-2:00p | Union East, 3rd floor

ES Research & Creative Projects Showcase
S Dec 7 | 1:00-4:00p | TRCC, Union East 308

Contact Information

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Class Policies

Late Work: If you are tardy to class, a 10-point reduction will be applied to your work. Outside of this exception, late work will not be accepted. Quizzes/tests cannot be made up. If you are going to miss class, submit your work ahead of time via e-mail to the instructor. The time-stamp must be before class starts. This policy applies to both university-sanctioned and personal absences. No exceptions.

Attendance: You are allowed 3 absences without penalty. Upon the 4th absence, you may be dropped from the course. Being unprepared for class constitutes as an absence. Missing a scheduled conference with members of the instructional team constitutes as an absence. Two tardies and/or early departures equal one absence. Absences for university-sanctioned activities (athletics, cheer, band, orchestra, conferences, field trips, etc.) will be excused only if the instructor is notified before the absence occurs. You are responsible for obtaining notes, handouts, assignments, etc. and for meeting the same deadlines as the rest of the class.

Cell Phones: Cell phone usage of any kind is not allowed. Violations of this policy may result in having to leave the classroom and/or a reduction of your grade.

Civility: Any successful learning experience requires mutual respect. You're expected to treat your classmates, peer leader, instructor, and guests with respect; the same will be afforded to you.

Grade Dispute: Grade disputes will be discussing during posted office hours and not before/during/after class.

Course Assignments

Daily Work (60%)

Daily work includes in-class work, homework, *Borders* assignments, academic advising assignments, quizzes, extra-curricular activity, etc. They are assigned in class and due as noted. Daily homework assignments will not be listed on Blackboard. Arrive to class on time and with your completed homework assignments. If you are late to class, so is your homework and it will be subject to the Late Work Policy. All homework assignments need to be stapled (no folds, etc.). The university and its employees do not provide free staplers, so be sure to staple your homework on your own.

Participation/Attendance (10%)

You are expected to attend all class periods and engage in discussions, activities, workshops, assignments, and instructor/peer leader meetings. Your participation grade will be determined by the number of absences you accumulate minus each class disruption (arriving late, leaving early, sleeping, phone usage, etc.), determined at the instructor's discretion.

Research Paper + Infographic (10%)

You will work in groups to research a social issue affecting the community. This lengthy assignment will have elements of leadership and a heavy research component to it. You will utilize credible sources to help support your argument.

Popular Culture Presentation (10%)

Your group will look for common themes surrounding your social issue in various elements of popular culture. You are expected to fully engage with the cultural artifacts, not just read analysis summaries online. Presentations are scheduled for week 15.

Final Exam (10%)

You will complete a final exam due during Final Exam Week. Your final exam is due on the day of your scheduled final exam (see Calendar). All final exams must be uploaded to Blackboard. Emailed final exams will not be accepted. More information provided in class during week fifteen.

Note: The grade listed on Blackboard is NOT your current grade in UNIV 1301. To request a current grade, send me an email with your name and the CRN. I will provide your current grade within 1-2 days.

Learning Community

Learning Community with RWS 1301

This course is in a learning community with RWS 1301-14049 MWF 8:30am-9:20am taught by Liubov Shafirovich. You must remain registered in both sections through Census Day. After Census Day, the courses are treated as independent courses for purposes related to the Registrar's Office (i.e., dropping a course).

Throughout the semester, both courses will cover content of rhetoric and will help reinforce your learning this semester.

Extra Credit

Entering Student Research & Creative Projects Showcase

The Entering Student Program (UNIV 1301) puts on a showcase of student work the Saturday after Dead Day from 1:00-4:00pm in the Tomás Rivera Conference Center (TRCC, Union East, room 308). This is an excellent opportunity for you to develop your Edge Advantages through an Edge Experience. Extra credit will be applied to your final exam. More information provided in class.

Helpful Campus Numbers

Campus Police	747-5611
Office of Financial Aid	747-5204
Student Business Services	747-5116
UTEP Help Desk	747-5257
UTEP Main Line	747-5000

Helpful General & Campus Resources

Academic Advising Center <http://academics.utep.edu/advisingcenter>
Center for Accommodations & Support Services <http://sa.utep.edu/cass/>
Financial Aid 747-5204 <http://financialaid.utep.edu>
History Tutoring and Learning Center <http://academics.utep.edu/history>
Math Resource Center (MaRCS) <http://math.utep.edu/marcs/>
Military Student Success Center <http://military.utep.edu>
Miner Learning Center <http://class.utep.edu>
Purdue Online Writing Lab (OWL) <https://owl.english.purdue.edu/>
Student Health Center <http://chs.utep.edu/health/>
Translation Resource Center (for ESOL students) <http://academics.utep.edu/langling>
University Career Center <http://sa.utep.edu/careers/>
University Counseling Center <http://sa.utep.edu/counsel/>
University Library <http://libraryweb.utep.edu/>
University Writing Center <http://uwc.utep.edu/>
UTEP Edge <https://www.utep.edu/edge/>

UTEP Policies

ADA: The ADA requires that reasonable accommodations be provided for students with disabilities. Please contact CASS at 747-5148, Union East 106, or cass@utep.edu.

Academic Integrity: Scholastic dishonesty is **never** tolerated by UTEP or the Entering Student Program. All suspected cases are reported to the Dean of Students for review. For more info, click [here](#).

Copyright and Fair Use: The university requires all members of its community to follow copyright and fair use requirements. Students are individually and solely responsible for violations of copyright and fair use laws. The university will neither protect nor defend students nor assume any responsibility for student violations. Violations of copyright laws could subject students to federal and state civil penalties and criminal liability as well as disciplinary action under university policies.

Student Conduct: [From the Handbook of Operating Procedures: [Student Conduct and Discipline](#)]. Each student is responsible for notice of and compliance with the provisions of the Regents' *Rules and Regulations*, which are available [here](#).

Final Exam Policy: [From the Handbook of Operating Procedures: [Final Examinations](#)]. It is University policy that students shall not have to take more than two final examinations in a single day. In the unlikely event that the examination schedule results in a student's having three final examinations on one day, the second of the three examinations shall be rescheduled by the faculty member upon the request of the student.

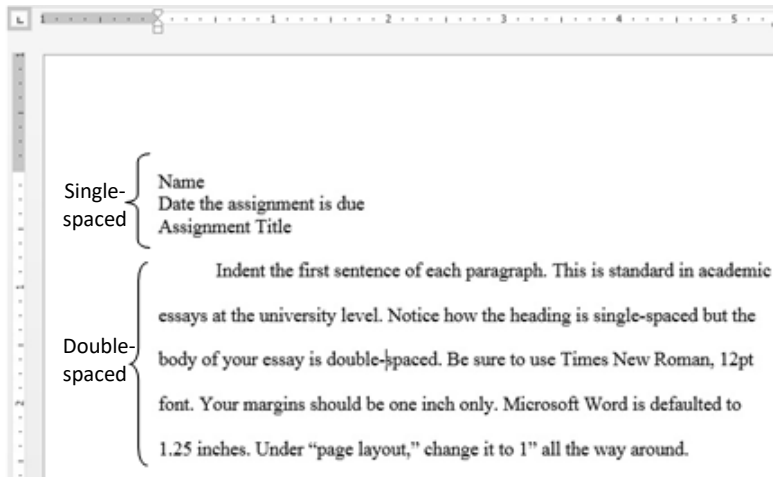
Fall 2019 Important Dates

Labor Day (university closed)	Sept 2
Census Day	Sept 11
Mid-Term Grades Available	Oct 25
Course Drop Deadline	Nov 1
Thanksgiving (university closed)	Nov 28-29
Dead Day (no classes)	Dec 6
ES Research Showcase	Dec 7
Final Exams	Dec 9-13
Final Grades Available	Dec 19

Syllabus Change

Except for changes that substantially affect the grading statement, this syllabus is a guide for the course and is subject to change. Any changes to the syllabus will be announced in class. It is your responsibility to stay updated.

Homework Formatting Guidelines



Times New Roman | 12pt font | One-inch margins | Double-spaced | Stapled & presentable

One	T 08/27	Course Introduction / Miner Gold Card	Nine	T 10/22	CONFERENCES / Academic Advising Due: Borders Ch 2
	R 08/29	Course Introduction cont. / Miner Welcome Week Due: Miner Gold Card / Syllabus Quiz by Sunday 11:59p		R 10/24	CONFERENCES / GPA Due: Borders Ch 1
Two	T 09/03	Miner Welcome Week Presentations	Ten	T 10/29	GPA Quiz / PL Due: Mid-Term GPA Calculation
	R 09/05	Borders Ch 2 & 3 Quiz / PL Due: Borders Ch 2 & 3		R 10/31	Counseling & Psychological Services Due: Borders Ch 8 / Research Paper+Infog. by Sat 11:59p
Three	T 09/10	Rhetorical Triangle: Logos	Eleven	T 11/05	OSSCR Due: Borders Ch 7
	R 09/12	Rhetorical Triangle: Logos		R 11/07	Career Planning / Choices360 Due: Borders Ch 9
Four	T 09/17	Rhetorical Triangle: Pathos Due: Logos Activity	Twelve	T 11/12	The UTEP Edge / My Edge Due: Choices360 / Borders Ch 1
	R 09/19	Rhetorical Triangle: Pathos / Pathos Activity		R 11/14	Popular Culture Due: Choices360 & My Edge
Five	T 09/24	Rhetorical Triangle: Ethos Due: Pathos Activity	Thirteen	T 11/19	Popular Culture cont. Due: Popular Culture Activity
	R 09/26	Rhetorical Triangle: Ethos		R 11/21	Popular Culture Presentation Instructions / PL Due: Borders Ch 5 (read it)
Six	T 10/01	Rhetorical Triangle Quiz / Res. Paper+Infog. / Social Issues Due: Study for the quiz	Fourteen	T 11/26	Popular Culture Presentation Workshop
	R 10/03	Social Issues cont. / Topic Proposal / PL Due: Topic Proposal by Saturday 11:59p		R 11/28	Thanksgiving Holiday – university closed
Seven	T 10/08	Library Workshop – Meet in LIBR 204A Due: Borders Ch 6	Fifteen	T 12/03	Popular Culture Presentations
	R 10/10	Library Workshop – Meet in LIBR 204A		R 12/05	Popular Culture Presentations / Final Exam Instructions Last day to submit ESP End of Semester Survey is Fri 12/06 Entering Student Res. & Creat. Proj. Showcase is Sat 12/07
Eight	T 10/15	Library Workshop – Meet in LIBR 336	Sixteen	M 12/09 to F 12/13	FINALS WEEK
	R 10/17	Study Abroad Due: Topic Proposal by Saturday 11:59p			

Final Exam Week is Dec 9-13, 2019

Final Grades available on Dec 19, 2019

Submit Final Exam to Blackboard:

TR 7:30am due Thursday, December 12th, by 9:45am

TR 9:00am due Tuesday, December 10th, by 12:45pm