

Hello Professor Bradley,

Being in your class this semester was an experience that I will not forget. Throughout the course, I was taught to become a better writer by not adhering to the traditions of old and creating my own style so as to not stifle creativity as well as being able to identify rhetoric and use it to my advantage for whatever purpose. For that, I am thankful as those skills will be greatly useful for the future.

After having been in your class, I realize that being a successful college student means that I need to stay on top of things and really manage your time. Losing track of time and leaving things for the last minute is not a sustainable work habit in the long term. Additionally, another facet of being a successful college student is to put more thought into assignments than I usually do. What I do now will affect me for the rest of my life which means I need to put my best foot forward in all situations.

After looking back on my portfolio for this year, I can see growth between each essay from the autoethnography to the rhetorical analysis essay to the OpEd essay. Out of the three formal writing assignments, I'd have to say the autoethnography was my weakest. It was very early in the semester so I had not learned much, and I had never written one of these before so I did not have any past experience to base it off of. My strongest assignment I would have to say is the rhetorical analysis essay. There I really moved away from the traditional five paragraph form and organized it the way I thought it should be organized. Additionally, I believe I presented a strong case and showcased Chi Luu's rhetorical skills effectively.

Furthermore, from my portfolio, I would have to say that my rhetorical analysis essay, as well as being my strongest assignment, meant the most to me. I put time and effort into how I would go about presenting my thoughts as well as incorporating new features into my writing like hyperlinks.

For all my assignments, I had feedback from both peers and you. This feedback was very important to me as it showed how I could improve my writing both for that assignment and future assignments. It was especially helpful for me on the rhetorical analysis essay. Had I not had feedback, it would have been a tragedy of an essay, and I would not have learned for future essays.

In conclusion, I want to thank you for being a good professor and teaching me how to write effectively and implement rhetorical strategies into my writing. I will put these skills you have taught me to good use.

Sincerely,

Pablo Miranda