

**English 10: Basic Writing Skills
Portfolio Assessment Rubric
August 13, 2007**

	appropriateness to task (following the assignment)	focus/unity	development	logic/organization	mechanics
Fail	Writing shows little or no understanding of the required form, purpose and/or audience.	Main point of writing is unclear or shifts.	Support may be absent, repetitious, insufficient, and/or vague.	Ideas are arranged illogically and/or demonstrate significant gaps in reasoning (e.g. associative reasoning between sentences or paragraphs).	Mechanical errors are systemic and consistently impede meaning.
Pass	Form, purpose and audience are appropriate to the assignment.	Writing advances and sustains one main idea.	Detail is sufficient and specific in support of the main idea.	Writing shows a logical arrangement of related ideas.	Writing demonstrates correct use of Standard Written English, although occasional mechanical errors may appear.
Pass w/ Distinction	Writing engages the audience and/or is original in its approach to the assignment.	Writing sustains one main idea in an insightful and original way.	Writing supports the main idea with various, convincing, and vivid detail.	Writing demonstrates a unique and thoughtful arrangement of ideas.	Writing is polished and stylistically pleasing.