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**School of Philosophy**

**Department of English Language and Literature**

**AMERICAN LITERATURE OF THE 19TH CENTURY**

**Research Paper Guidelines**

**Sources:**

* Use **primary texts** from the course syllabus
* Use at least **five (5) academic secondary sources**

**Structure:** The essay MUST have an introduction with a clear THESIS STATEMENT, a main body, specific examples from the primary text, and a conclusion.

**Word limit:** Approx. **3,000 words**

**Preliminary tutorials:** December 2nd, 9th, 16th 2022

**Outline Submission:** December 23rd, 2022

**Deadline:** February 3rd, 2023

**PLEASE ALSO NOTE:**

* Do use MLA 8. Please do consult the following website: <https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/research_and_citation/mla_style/mla_formatting_and_style_guide/mla_formatting_and_style_guide.html>
* Acceptable secondary sources: book chapters, journal articles from websites like JSTOR, PROJECT MUSE etc. DO NOT use websites like *Wikipedia*, *Grade Saver* etc.
* Do use Times New Roman, size 12.
* Papers must be double-spaced.
* Students MUST hand in a COPY via email to the instructor AND upload a COPY on eclass by the appointed DEADLINE!
* Late submissions will NOT be accepted!
* Papers will NOT be accepted from students who DO NOT appear in Tutorial meetings.
* If PLAGIARISM is noted in a paper, then it automatically receives a FAILING MARK.

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