Département de littérature, théâtre et cinéma **Chargé de cours: Cath Marceau**
Faculté des lettres et des sciences humaines **Session: Automne 2026**

ANG-1019: Critical Writing I: Rhetoric and Communication

Course Description and Objectives

This course will allow students to develop the vocabulary and skills needed to produce critical texts in Critical Writing II, focusing on the construction and communication of arguments. Students will learn how to critically analyze rhetorical strategies, identify the stakeholders in an issue, detect bias and point of view, and understand an argument's target audience. The course will also include research strategies and how to work with both MLA and APA style guidelines.

Pedagogical Approach

Lectures will include some class discussion, followed by workshops that will emphasize student discussion and praxis. Students are required to have read the assigned material carefully before each class; familiarity with the material will enable students to complete work and enjoy the class as a whole more fully**.** Students are required to engage with other students in small groups. They are also encouraged, but not required, to contribute to the entire workshop discussion. Participation marks will be evaluated on the basis of attendance and class/workshop contribution.

Evaluation

Assignments total (5): 90% (15%, 15%, 10%, 25%, and 25%)
Participation: 10%

Details about assignments and evaluation criteria will be available on monPortail/Brio.

Required Text

Bean, John C., and June Johnson. *Writing Arguments: A Rhetoric with Readings*. 12th ed., Pearson, 2024. (eTextbook in Pearson+, without the extras; ISBN-13: 9780138316761).
Note: the previous edition (11th ed.) is also acceptable.

Additional reading and audiovisual materials will be available on monPortail/Brio.

• Plagiat – voir le Règlement disciplinaire à l'intention des personnes étudiantes de l'Université Laval : https://www.ulaval.ca/sites/default/files/notre-universite/direction-gouv/Documents_officiels/Reglements/Reglement_disciplinaire_intention_etudiants.pdf
• Bureau du respect de la personne : https://www.ulaval.ca/notre-universite/direction-et-gouvernance/vice-rectorat-executif/bureau-du-respect-de-la-personne
• Politique relative au calendrier de publication des résultats : 30 % de la note globale devra avoir été attribuée et communiquée aux étudiants deux jours ouvrables avant la date d'abandon sans échec et sans remboursement. Seuls les cours à formule particulière, ayant été approuvés par les directions d'unité, seront exemptés de cette politique, ce qui devra faire l'objet d'une mention dans le plan de cours.

Échelle de conversion de notes (1er cycle)

Excellent :	A+ = 94-100	A = 89-93	A– = 85-88	**Passable** :	D+ = 61-64	D = 55-60
Très bon :	B+ = 82-84	B = 78-81	B– = 75-77	**Insuffisant** :	E = 0-54	
Bon :	C+ = 72-74	C = 68-71	C– = 65-67			