

## **Syllabus Information**

### **The English 10 Portfolio Assessment Project**

As a member of this class, you will participate in the English 10 Portfolio Assessment Project. You will benefit by being in a small class and by knowing that in order to pass this course your writing will demonstrate a level of skill that is consistent with that of students taking this course with other instructors at BCC.

You will need to submit two copies of the final drafts of all of your essay or paragraph assignments for this course. I will keep the second copies on file and return them to you at the end of the semester, so you can compile a portfolio of your four best pieces of writing. Included in these four pieces will be a writing of essay length and three other pieces. Two English faculty other than the instructor for this course will assess this portfolio.

Portfolios will be scored “pass” or “fail.” If your portfolio passes, the grade you have earned for your coursework will be issued. If your portfolio fails, but you have earned a passing grade for your coursework, an “I” grade will be issued. If you receive an “I,” the Coordinator of the Portfolio Assessment Project will contact you, and he or she will help you develop and carry out a plan for working on the aspects of your writing that need strengthening. Then you will rework and resubmit your portfolio. When your portfolio passes, the grade you earned for your coursework will be issued. An “I” grade will not prevent you from moving on to English 11, but you will not receive credit for English 10 until your portfolio passes and your course grade is released. It is important that you follow this procedure, as a passing grade in English 10 is a graduation requirement for anyone who tests into the course.

If you do not attempt to revise your portfolio within one semester of receiving a “fail,” the Incomplete (“I”) may turn into a Fail (“F”) for the course. In this case, you will need to take the entire course over in order to receive credit.