**Academic Honesty**

All work submitted for credit in this class must be the product of the individual student’s own original thoughts supported and informed by appropriately documented and credited sources.

***Plagiarism*** is the use of someone else’s words, ideas, pictures, design, and/or intellectual property ***without*** the correct documentation and punctuation.

Plagiarism takes many forms: for example, turning in the ***same essay***for ***two different courses*** is considered ***self-plagiarism*** and will result in a zero for the paper. You may legitimately wonder how anyone would ever know; this is one of the purposes of the ***[SafeAssign](https://webmail.valenciacollege.edu/owa/redir.aspx?SURL=VJleoKLdJYojZeeCjKIOYIjGr_gUossWUeg6UNp_BQn40WvkmDDSCGgAdAB0AHAAOgAvAC8AawBiAC4AYgBsAGEAYwBrAGIAbwBhAHIAZAAuAGMAbwBtAC8AZABpAHMAcABsAGEAeQAvAFMAQQBGAEUALwBTAHUAYgBtAGkAdAArAGEAKwBQAGEAcABlAHIAKwB0AG8AKwBhACsAUwBhAGYAZQBBAHMAcwBpAGcAbgBtAGUAbgB0AA..&URL=http%3a%2f%2fkb.blackboard.com%2fdisplay%2fSAFE%2fSubmit%2ba%2bPaper%2bto%2ba%2bSafeAssignment" \t "_blank)***plagiarism scan.

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***Plagiarism is morally indefensible***. Any assignment showing signs of plagiarism, either the

1.     deliberate cut-and-paste of online or print sources,

2.     the recycling of essays from previous classes,

3.     essays written on behalf of the student by family members or friends, or

4.     the result of inattention and incompetence

***will be graded zero.*** A second offense will result in an appointment with the dean of the Arts and Humanities Department.

(Here you can clearly explain situations and consequences the student will face if Plagiarism occurred.)  Please be very specific.  You can also attach to your syllabus the link to Plagiarism and the Tutorial in Atlas.  If you have any questions about this please contact Professors Warren or Moring.

If you would like to include the article by Professor Roberta Vandermast about Plagiarism under "Course Material" in your Faculty Front Door, please know Professor Vandermast has given us permission to use it.

\*\*\*\*\*\* The committee working on Academic Writing will give us an update during our department meeting April 9.  
***"If nothing safes us from death, at least love should save us from life."***

***Pablo Neruda***