# **ENG. 102 ARGUMENTATIVE ESSAY RUBRIC**

Word Limit: 600-800 words	Comments	Excellent	Good	Adequate	Fair	Poor
<ul> <li>CONTENT (QUALITY OF IDEAS)</li> <li>The title is original, attracts the reader's attention, and reflects the controlling idea of the essay.</li> <li>The introductory paragraph gives adequate background information, includes an effective introductory strategy, and has a well-written thesis statement;</li> <li>Each body paragraph has a well-written topic sentence and is well-supported with effective citations and clear, mature, and original ideas with no logical fallacies or redundancies;</li> <li>The conclusion paragraph rephrases main points and ends with an original and meaningful concluding remark.</li> </ul>		5	4	3	2	1
<ul> <li>ORGANISATION (UNITY &amp; COHERENCE)</li> <li>All ideas are relevant to each other and to the thesis statement (including the borrowed ideas).</li> <li>Both sentences and paragraphs are logically ordered and smoothly connected to one-another (including the borrowed ideas) with a variety of appropriate linking devices and reference words, and/or repetition of key words.</li> </ul>		5	4	3	2	1
<ul> <li>LANGUAGE &amp; MECHANICS</li> <li>Sentence forms are accurate.</li> <li>Word choice is accurate and varied.</li> <li>Register is appropriate.</li> <li>Punctuation, capitalization, spelling, paragraphing, spacing, indentation, and margining are proper.</li> <li>The ideas have been properly cited with a variety of citation techniques (quotation/ summary/ paraphrase).</li> <li>In-text and end-text references are complete and in the right format.</li> </ul>		5	4	3	2	1

	Essay grade: Process:	/15 /5
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TOTAL:		/20

### **STANDARDS**

- Rough draft must be written in class; drafts written elsewhere will not be accepted.
- Time allocated for essay writing is 3 class hours; if the student cannot finish the first draft in these three hours, s/he will NOT be allowed to finish it later, even under the supervision of the instructor. S/he will also NOT be allowed to add the missing parts in the final draft.
- If the student has not attended ANY of the 3 hours, s/he will get a 0 unless s/he has a medical report.

## Submission:

- If the student does not submit the outline(s) with the final draft, s/he will lose 2 pts out of 15.
- If the student submits only the rough draft or only the final draft, his/her total grade will be divided by two.
- For every late day in handing in the assignment, the student will lose 1 pt. out of 15.

#### Sources:

• The student is required to use 2 to 5 citations from a minimum of 2 sources. If s/he does not abide by these numbers, s/he will lose up to 2 pts out of 15.

# Plagiarism:

• Turnitin submission is required for all students for this assignment (see <a href="www.mld.metu.edu.tr">www.mld.metu.edu.tr</a> for student submission assistance). If a student, for any reason, fails to upload his/her essay to Turnitin, it will not be graded, and s/he will receive a zero. If Turnitin detects plagiarism in the essay, the student will be penalized based on the plagiarism policy of Department of Modern Languages (see <a href="www.mld.metu.edu.tr">www.mld.metu.edu.tr</a>).

Student's Name and Surname:

Section No:

PROCESS		
Outline 1		
Was submitted on time.		
<ul> <li>Demonstrates enough effort (an appropriate thesis statement and a well-organized and detailed outline)</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Shows that the student considered the feedback if revised.</li> </ul>	/ 1,5	
Outline 2 (sources integrated)		
Was submitted on time.		
<ul> <li>Includes a copy of the sources attached to it.</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Includes the sources submitted in the requested format.</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Includes reliable and relevant sources attached.</li> </ul>	/ 1,5	
Integrates citations.		
<ul> <li>Shows that the student considered the feedback if revised.</li> </ul>		
Rough Draft		
<ul> <li>Includes mostly developed and relevant ideas.</li> </ul>	/2	

<b>TOTAL:</b>		/	5
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