## Portfolio Review Essay Evaluation

1. **Quality of the introduction**  
   - attention-getting  
   - fluid  
   - 1 • 3 • 5

2. **Quality of thesis statement**  
   - argumentative  
   - specific  
   - holistic  
   - 1 • 3 • 5

3. **Quality of topic statements**  
   - argumentative  
   - develop argument from thesis statement  
   - cover full ¶  
   - 1 • 3 • 5

4. **Quality of evidence**  
   - convincing  
   - related to topic statement  
   - specific and concrete  
   - 1 • 3 • 5

5. **Thoroughness of evaluation and evidence**  
   - drawn from evidence  
   - significant areas of concern & strength  
   - in depth  
   - convincing  
   - 1 • 3 • 5

6. **Depth of inquiry**  
   - not superficial  
   - detailed analysis  
   - new insight rather than summary  
   - clear investment in the topic  
   - 1 • 3 • 5

7. **Quality of the evaluation**  
   - draws clear conclusions from convincing evidence  
   - careful and nuanced assessment  
   - 1 • 3 • 5

8. **Quality of the conclusion**  
   - does not repeat introduction  
   - draws conclusions from the topic statements and evidence  
   - concluding tone  
   - 1 • 3 • 5

9. **Quality of the organization**  
   - logical movement from ¶ to ¶  
   - clear transitions within and between ¶s  
   - logical connections from ¶s to thesis statement  
   - 1 • 3 • 5

10. **Quality of sentences**  
    - complete and carefullyworded sentences  
    - no major errors or recurring minor errors  
    - clear syntax including word choices and word order  
    - varied sentences showing sophisticated, college-level style  
    - 1 • • 5 • • 10

11. **Holistic: Overall impact**  
    - Does the paper come across as thoughtful and considered as well as carefully written versus simplistic and workmanlike?  
    - 1 • 3 • 5

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**Portfolio grade**