

Understand the History Department's requirement that all history courses have a minimum of 25% of the course grade (the final letter grade) based on writing means you **must** do at least some of the writing assignments.

In the example, a 1000-point course has

- 250 points (25%) specific writing assignments
- 750 points (75%) objective assignments (such as multiple choice or fill in the blank or true/false)

If you did this:

- Did **No** writing assignments = 0 points
- And you **only** attempted objective work (750 possible points)

Then the math shows what would happen to your Final Letter grade for the course:

- If "C" work (70%) on the objective assignments, then you'd have
70% of 750 points= 525 out of the 1000
Final Letter grade for the course: an F
- If "B" work (80%) on the objective assignments, then you'd have
80% of 750 = 600 out of the 1000
Final Letter grade for the course: a "D"
- If "A" work (90%) on the objective assignments, then you'd have
90% of 750 = 675
Final Letter grade for the course: a "D," a higher one but still a "D"
- Perfect work (100%) on all objective assignments, then you'd have
100% of 750 points= 750
Final Letter grade for the course: a "C" – This is a risky plan because perfect is hard to do.