

# Contemporary Issues Session 1

## Weekly Breakdown

**Credit:** ½                      **Prerequisites:** None  
**Weeks:** 6                      **Attendance:** Mandatory Weekly Attendance

**Special Note:** This course will be taught using current issues. Issues covered may change from semester to semester.

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### Week 1

#### Introduction

Assignment	Points
<b>Assignment 1:</b> Fact vs Opinion Worksheet	5
<b>Assignment 2:</b> Problem Solving Skills Practice 1	10
<b>Assignment 3:</b> Problem Solving Skills Practice 2	10
<b>Assignment 3:</b> Evidence Practice 1	5
<b>Assignment 4:</b> Evidence Practice 2	5
<b>Assignment 5:</b> ASSESSMENT - Week 1 Quiz	32
<b>WEEK 1 TOTAL:</b>	<b>72</b>

## Week 2

### Debate Issue

Assignment	Points
<i>Assignment 1:</i> Prereading Assignment	5
<i>Assignment 2:</i> Article 1: Article Questions Worksheet	10
<i>Assignment 3:</i> Article 2: Article Questions Worksheet	10
<i>Assignment 4:</i> For / Against Worksheet	10
<i>Assignment 5:</i> Position Paper	40
<i>Assignment 6:</i> Discussion Board 1 – Issue	15
<i>Assignment 7:</i> Discussion Board 2 – Current Events	15
<b>WEEK 2 TOTAL:</b>	<b>105</b>

## Week 3

### Problem Solving Issue 1

Assignment	Points
<i>Assignment 1:</i> Prereading Assignment	5
<i>Assignment 2:</i> 5Ws Article Questions	10
<i>Assignment 3:</i> Problem Identification Worksheet	5
<i>Assignment 4:</i> Problem Solution Worksheet 1	5
<i>Assignment 5:</i> Problem Solution Worksheet 2	5
<i>Assignment 6:</i> Problem Solution Worksheet 3	5
<i>Assignment 7:</i> Letter to the Editor Assignment	40
<i>Assignment 8:</i> Discussion Board	30
<b>WEEK 3 TOTAL:</b>	<b>105</b>

## Week 4

### Debate & Problem Solving Issue 2

Assignment	Points
<i>Assignment 1:</i> Prereading Assignment	10
<i>Assignment 2:</i> Article Question Worksheet	20
<i>Assignment 3:</i> Solution Evaluation Worksheet	20
<i>Assignment 4:</i> Letter to the Editor Assignment	40
<i>Assignment 5:</i> Discussion Board 1 – Issue	15
<i>Assignment 6:</i> Discussion Board 2 – Current Events	15
<b>WEEK 4 TOTAL:</b>	<b>120</b>

## Week 5 & 6

### Inquiry Issue

Assignment	Points
<i>Assignment 1:</i> Inquiry Questions Worksheet	20
<i>Assignment 2.1:</i> Inquiry Website Evaluation 1	5
<i>Assignment 2.2:</i> Inquiry Website Evaluation 2	5
<i>Assignment 2.3:</i> Inquiry Website Evaluation 3	5
<i>Assignment 2.4:</i> Inquiry Website Evaluation 4	5
<i>Assignment 3:</i> Inquiry Presentation Project	50
<i>Assignment 4:</i> Discussion Board – Current Events	15
<b>WEEK 5&amp; 6 TOTAL:</b>	<b>105</b>