English Composition Reflection

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Reflection

This is an overall review of what I’ve done for this semester in my English Composition class at the Northern Marianas College. Since the semester started I’ve learned so many things in class from writing in APA style, references and writing a research paper and many more. Dr. Kimberly Bunts-Anderson was a very helpful instructor who spent time with her student to help and guide them throughout the semester. She made sure everyone understood there assignment so that no student was left behind in the course.

Writing in APA style was strictly what my research paper had to be in. Formats were pretty simple it wasn’t a big deal to me easy to follow right when you do you first paper. In class we would go over so many examples so that we could learn from it. Not only so that we could write our reports, but use it for future purposes. APA style was something new to me and I thought I was going to have a rough semester. I thought that I was going to have so much trouble and that I wasn’t going to complete my report. MLA is the format I usually use in every academic writing class I took.

Another thing was writing a reference list this was quite a challenge. It was way different from the way I would usually cite my references in previous papers I wrote in college. It was something good to learn and use. When writing a reference things had to be in the right place in the proper order. Same goes for putting citations of sources you took from somebody’s own work. Thanks to my own instructor for providing many examples of how to cite and write your own reference. There were even websites that could help you cite which I thought was a useful thing.

Lastly is writing up my research report for the first time out of all academic writing classes. I wrote on the topic of the endangered species of the CNMI: Green Sea Turtles and the Marianas Flying Fox. With a primary question, what is the current status of Green Sea Turtles and the Marianas Flying Fox in the CNMI? After all I would say that my research is now completed and that I think I did quite a good job. Although, the Marianas Flying Fox was a fail and that I haven’t provided much information on it. I still continued my research with the Green Sea Turtle and it was interesting and very successful.

Overall, I think this English class was a very interesting course I had a lot of experience on my research report. Although I have not yet accomplished my research paper and did not find any exact answer on the current status of Green Sea Turtles and the Marianas Flying Fox. I would like to further my research paper hopefully in the future. Especially with all the learning experience in writing in APA I could definitely continue my research.