WEEKLY BLOG LOG

27 SEPTEMBER 2012: CREATING YOUR BLOG & FIRST BLOG ENTRY
Meet in Hamersly Library 108

WEEK 1: THE ABOUT YOU PAGE
Due: (1) create a folder on your H drive entitled “ICS 101 Fall 2012”; (2) write a 2+ paragraph description of who you are and your hopes and expectations for yourself for the next 10 weeks and save it in a new folder; and (3) save a fabulous photo of yourself in your new folder.
In class, we will create your blog and use your description and photo for the About page.
29 SEPTEMBER 2012: MEET YOUR BIG—Catch Your Ride in Parking Lot Behind APSC (east side of building)

WEEK 1: POST 2
Due: (1) read pp. 27-30 in WOU's publication Student Health 101, and (2) BLOG ENTRY: what can a mentor do for a student and how do you feel about meeting your Big?

2 OCTOBER 2012: NO CLASS

4 OCTOBER 2012: MAKING YOUTUBE ACCOUNT AND POSTING VIDEO
Meet in Hamersly Library 108

WEEK 2: POST 1
Due: (1) use your phone or check out a flip camera from ITC and create a (1-minute or less) video for your family and friends introducing them to your Big, (2) BLOG ENTRY: provide 1-2 paragraphs about how your Big just might change your life in wonderful ways. DURING CLASS ON 4 OCTOBER: you will learn how to post the video to youtube and link the video to your blog.

9 OCTOBER 2012: STUDENT PANEL

Due: get at least two family members to watch, read, and comment on your video post about your Big.
Due: Prepare five questions for our student panel: you can ask anything about college life. Have them written and ready prior to the start of class.

11 OCTOBER 2012: UNDERSTANDING AUDIENCE

WEEK 3: POST 1
Reflect on your first weeks of college: (1) what has been the highlight of your college experience so far? and (2) what has been the greatest challenge (don't forget to consider: what can you do about it)?
WEEK 3: POST 2
Describe your most recent activities with your Big: what did you guys do? how did it go? and why does it matter?

15 OCTOBER 2012 OFFICE HOURS moved to Wednesday, 17 October
16 OCTOBER 2012: GREAT ADVISING CAN MAKE ALL THE DIFFERENCE

WEEK 4: POST 1
Who is your adviser? If you do not have one, get one.
How many times have you talked with him/her, and what was the experience like?
What do you know about how you should be interacting with your adviser (i.e., how often? for
what reason? where)?

18 OCTOBER 2012: BIG REFLECTIONS & MEMORIZE PARTS OF SPEECH

WEEK 4: POST 2
Describe your most recent activity with your Big: what did you guys do? how did it go? and why
does it matter? Also, do a “little” research: come up with three ideas for the field trip on 17
November. One requirement: cost must be $5 or less per person. NOTE: Littles will
collaboratively determine where we go with the Bigs.

23 OCTOBER 2012: MONEY
MAKE A WRITING CENTER APPOINTMENT BY TODAY.

WEEK 5: POST 1
(a) How are you currently managing your money? What are your strengths? What are your
challenges?
(b) How do you plan to manage your daily expenses after you graduate? (It is NEVER too early
to think about the future.)

25 OCTOBER 2012: WRITE AWAY!

WEEK 5: POST 2
Tell me about your Writing Center appointment: who did you work with? what did you work
on? what did you think about the service?
WEEK 5: POST 3
What’s your plan for Thanksgiving? Tell me everything!
30 OCTOBER 2012: THINK GLOBAL

WEEK 6: POST 1
(a) Have you ever traveled outside of the US? If so, tell me about it (i.e., the where? when? and why?). If not, tell me why.
(b) If you could go anywhere in the world, where would you go and why?
(c) Go to the WOU Study Abroad website or visit the office in APSC 501: find out what is available in, or near, your desired destination for studying abroad. Also, find out how much the exchange would cost, and compare that cost with what you currently pay for your education.

WEEK 6: POST 2
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1 NOVEMBER 2012: GRAMMAR GAME

WEEK 6: EXTRA CREDIT
Post a photo of yourself or your dog in costume. Also, if you’d like to go above and beyond, post a photo of your big in costume and/or your carved pumpkin. 😊

6 NOVEMBER 2012: NO CLASS

8 NOVEMBER 2012: GRAMMAR GAME & SEMICOLONS AND COLONS

WEEK 7: POST 1
Describe your most recent activity with your Big: what did you guys do? how did it go? and why does it matter?

13 NOVEMBER 2012: CAREER AND SERVICE LEARNING

INVITE YOUR BIG TO OUR THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER AND COMEDY SHOW BY TODAY!

WEEK 8: POST 1 (use at least one semicolon and one colon correctly)
Our careers develop through interactions with people and through experiences. Actions come before knowledge when it comes to career exploration and action is the only thing that makes things happen. Instead of planning to make sure nothing unexpected happens, you should create and capitalize on chance events (i.e., don’t wait for a lucky break: create your own luck).

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15 NOVEMBER 2012: INVITE YOUR BIG—Celebrating Matt’s and Matt’s Birthdays!

Get in your PJs, and meet at Yang’s at 5:45 p.m. We’ll head over to the Cape Verde Comedy Night Fundraiser ($3 for regular seats and $5 for VIP cushy seats), which starts at 7:00 p.m. in the Willamette Room. Optional: PJ Dance Party after.

20 NOVEMBER 2012: LAST CLASS!

NOTE: You will not pass the class if you fail to show for the Symposium on Wednesday, 28 November at 5:00 p.m. in the Pacific Room. Dress nicely, and be prepared to talk to the Provost of the university.

WEEK 9: POST 1 (attempt to use a variety of commas correctly, one colon, and one semicolon)
Address this Entry Directly to Your Big: “Dear Big,”
Reflect on your relationship with your Big:

1. Provide a summary of all of the things you have done together this term. What was your favorite event or activity and why?
2. What has been the greatest part about having your Big?
3. Describe how your connection with your Big has made an impact on you—this is essentially a note of gratitude.
4. Finally, invite your Big to the Symposium (see below for information).

SYMPOSIUM AND PIZZA: 28 NOVEMBER at 5:00 p.m. in the Pacific Room