

## Afghanistan Final Essay

Your task is to create a plan of action for U.S. involvement in Afghanistan. Remember that American forces entered Afghanistan to take out Al Qaeda and to implement a government that would create less favorable conditions in Afghanistan that had previously allowed Al Qaeda to thrive in the area.

1. What objectives must be met in order for the United States and coalition forces to declare victory in Afghanistan?
  - a. Examples: elimination of Al Qaeda, elimination of the Taliban, degradation of Al Qaeda, degradation of the Taliban, implementation of a democratic government in Afghanistan, etc.
2. How will victory be achieved?
  - a. Military force
    - i. Drones
    - ii. Hand to hand combat
    - iii. Training afghan soldiers
    - iv. Timeline for U.S. involvement
  - b. Infrastructure building
    - i. Roads, water, electricity
    - ii. Schools, hospitals, police
    - iii. Alternative ways to make money other than through poppy production
  - c. Negotiations
    - i. Payments to Taliban
    - ii. Promises of government positions for Taliban
  - d. Removal of all American forces
  - e. Combination of some of the previous ideas.

### Essay Requirements

- Typed, using Times New Roman font at no greater size than 12 point
- Double Space
- No extra space between paragraphs
- Each paragraph is indented
- Correct grammar
- Correct spelling
- Footnote Citations in MLA format
- All deadlines met
- Each body paragraph contains a topic sentence, supporting examples and corresponding analysis, and a concluding statement
- Introduction contains a hook, background, and thesis statement
- Conclusion contains reworded thesis statement and summary analysis.

Essay Due Dates (Deadlines are non-negotiable; one day late= lose half credit; two days late or more= no credit)

1. Outline (Due Wednesday, March 10) **20 points**
2. Rough Draft (Due Monday, March 15) **20 points**
3. 2 Peer Edits (In class assignment on Monday, March 15) **10 points each**
4. Final Draft (Due Tuesday, March 16) **100 points**