

Writing Assignment #7

Portfolio

Your Portfolio with its "Introductory Essay."

For each Optional Revision that you include, attach new Postwrite.

The Portfolio should be one of those cheap paper folders that have two inner pockets. Your Portfolio **must** contain all of the following:

- An **Introductory Essay** (500-1500 words, ~2-6 pages) that addresses the following: Of the Renaissance, Herrick notes that "Rhetoric had a practical role to play in guiding ethical deliberations in the noisy deliberations of day-to-day life in a busy community" (150). How useful is rhetoric today in helping you (as a student, as a member of the MIT community, as a member of American society) in your ethical deliberations? Does rhetoric help you in everyday life? Does it lead you to truth and/or compromise or does it, instead, muddy the waters and add to confusion? Feel free to use examples from your own life or from other sources to illustrate your position.
- In the left-hand pocket, place the "Introductory Essay" and any new Optional Revisions and their Postwrites.
- In the right-hand pocket, place all the corrected-by-me versions of your essays (Mandatory and Optional Revisions).