General ENGL 1323 Information for New Adjuncts

Here are some things to know:

* You will most likely NOT be in a computer lab
* The class does not require a textbook; we encourage the use of open-source materials instead
* The class is focused on APA-style research-based academic writing with a required 5–10-page research paper due as the final paper; most instructors assign a 5-6-page paper as to value substance over length
* This course does not focus on literary analysis; students should be writing about issues, ideas, or concepts connected to writing, language, or communication. This is a Writing About Writing (WAW) model.
* Students should create an Annotated Bibliography; we recommend asking students to create this right before writing their final paper.
* We recommend students learn how to also write strong short-answer essays (1-paragraph) and post them on a blogging site like Medium.com. The blog essays can be used to check students completion and comprehension of course readings and various content.
* Beyond the above information, instructors have a lot of leeway in designing this course and getting students to produce a strong, end-of-course research paper.

Please let us know if you have any questions or need any help as you build your syllabus and course.

We're excited to have you on board!