

ESSAY TOPICS FOR EWPE

1. Discuss an occasion when a controversy arose that the opponents could not settle. Describe the problem and explain why you think the disagreement was not resolved.
2. How true is the claim that college students learn to be more responsible citizens than those who do not attend? Think of the qualities that make for responsible citizenship. Discuss or not a college education can help to develop those qualities?
3. Write an essay discussing whether or not Tougaloo College has satisfied your expectations. Begin by setting forth what your expectations were, whether or specific. Be honest. Avoid clichés. Provide evidence to support your claim that Tougaloo College has satisfied or disappointed you.
4. Does the mass media—radio, television, newspapers and magazines—deliberately manipulate the way their audiences think about current events? Using specific examples, discuss why you do or do not believe that such manipulation occurs.
5. The American Civil Liberties Union bases its oppositions to mandatory testing for the AIDS virus in the workplace on “the right to privacy.” Write an argument that either defends or disputes the ACLU position. Use specific information to support.
6. Many people consider the proverb “If at first you don’t succeed, try, try again” to be more than advice. For them, the proverb is a statement of truth. Write an essay in which you analyze the proverb as a guide for behavior.
7. You have been invited to speak to seniors at a local high school on the significant differences between being well-trained to do a job and being well educated to pursue a career. What advice would you give to the seniors about the crucial choices they must make before graduation? What kind of qualitative evidence would you present as you describe the differences between pursuing college education and pursuing vocational training? What facts will you use to clarify the difference further? Write the speech you will present.