

Near East University
Department of English Language Teaching
EDS 102 – Educational Psychology

Guidelines for the Paper

- A. Choose one of the following topics and write an argumentative paper (essay) about it. Each paper should be based on an argument (your view) and each argument should be supported by **references**.
1. Discuss the validity of Nature vs. Nurture debate. Do you think people develop their personalities and cognitive abilities because of their genes or because of the way they are brought up? Provide examples from research studies to support your view.
 2. Do you think intelligence can be measured? If so, what is the best way of doing so? Provide examples from research studies to support your view.
 3. Do you agree that when mothers work, they lose the opportunity to develop secure attachments with their children? Do you think this has any effect on the children's academic success? Discuss. Provide examples from research studies to support your view.
- B. Read the questions carefully. Choose the topic that you believe you have an opinion about. Research about the topics before you start writing your essay.
- C. Papers should be between 1000 – 1500 words. They should be typed using Calibri, font size 11 and 1.5 line spacing. Papers that do not comply with these regulations will not be considered.
- D. Each paper should have a title page (cover page) where the title of the paper, name of the student, student number and the date of submission is indicated.
- E. The essay can be divided into sections where possible. In this case, please use **bold** for headings. Do not change the font style or size. Do not underline the heading.