

American Government Written Exam Grading Codes

1. You need to write in complete sentences.
2. You need to use proper paragraphing.
3. You need to read the exam directions.
4. You need to use the margins provided in the blue book.
5. You appear to be copying notes from a book rather than responding to the content of our class discussion.
6. This idea or fact was not a part of class discussion.
7. Your response does not discuss the concept or topic as presented in the lectures and class discussions.
8. Your answer misses the main idea as presented in the lectures.
9. This point or section is not accurate.
10. This idea or fact is not relevant to your point.
11. You do not address the issues raised in the question.
12. Your answer shows you do not understand the topic.
13. Your response does not identify the term or terms requested by the question.
14. This section needs the terms you are using to be fully defined
15. Your answer misses the essential connection required by the question.
16. Your response is too short to show your knowledge of the topic.
17. This section needs to be expanded.
18. Your response is too general; it does not show specific knowledge of concept or topic.
19. You need to develop a general principle from your specific examples.
20. Your response left out important facts and/or details necessary to a complete answer.
21. This section needs a more vigorous explanation of the point you are making.
22. Your essay must be a logical argument in order to adequately answer the question.
23. Your argument requires an organizing purpose statement or thesis.
24. Your purpose statement requires an outline with numbered key terms.
25. Your essay wanders because it has no purpose statement.
26. This section needs to be related back to your thesis.
27. Your essay needs to repeat the key terms to effectively develop your purpose statement
28. This section does not relate to your purpose statement.
29. This section contradicts your purpose statement
30. This section is developed out of order.

Exam Essay Grade to Score Conversion

A = 25, A- = 24, B+ = 21, B = 20, B- = 19, C+ = 17, C = 16, C- = 15, D+ = 13, D = 12, D- = 11, F = 0