**Qualifying Exam Practice (QEP) Format and Assessment Criteria**

**Format of the QEP**

* **The length of the response should be 5 or 6 pages, not counting a Works Cited or References page.**
* **Use MLA or APA.**
* **Use Times New Roman, 12 point, and one-inch margins.**
* **Write the question (single-spaced) you’re responding to at the top of the first page.**
* **Don’t forget your name in the header.**

**Assessment Criteria for the Examination**

**You will be expected to do the following:**

* Present succinct and insightful analyses of the readings, including the major assumptions and rhetorical stances of the authors;
* Situate the readings within broader theoretical, pedagogical, and/or historical contexts;
* Reflect critically upon the arguments, contexts, and line of inquiry in the readings;
* Develop your own arguments from these reflections; and
* Write your responses clearly and concisely.

**These assessment criteria are identical to the criteria used on the actual exam.**

**Write 1 or 2 questions**