Standard/Skill	Level 4 - Advanced	Level 3 - Proficient	Level 2 - Developing	Level 1 - Beginning
 W.1 (11.7.1.1) Organize writing Develop claims and counterclaims Formal writing style 	 Everything in Level 3, plus: Organization is purposeful Detailed claims and counterclaims 	 Organize writing in a logical manner Fully develop claims and counterclaims Maintain a formal writing style throughout the essay 	 Essay may not be organized in a logical manner Writing style teeters between formal and informal 	Essay may not be organized/may be hard to read and understandWriting style may not be formal
 W.4 (11.7.4.4) Produces APA writing Utilizes writing process 	Everything in Level 3, plus:Evaluate effectiveness of the writing process	 Use APA writing style for citations and writing Participates in all aspects of the writing process 	Some citations incorrectFails to participate in one aspects of the writing process	Many citations incorrectFails to participate in multiple aspects of the writing process
 W.7 (11.7.7.7) Develop research question/s Adapts question throughout Use multiple sources to answer question 	 Everything in Level 3, plus: Using multiple scholarly/academic sources to answer the question/s 	 Develop research question/s Tweak research question/s throughout Use multiple sources to answer the question/s 	 Write [a] research question/s Might revisit research question/s, but does not change question/s to fit paper Uses minimal sources (if at all) to answer the question/s 	 Brainstorm [a] research question/s Does not revisit research question/s Uses minimal sources (if at all) to attempt to answer the question/s
 W.8 (11.7.8.8) Gathering information Advanced searches Assess strengths and limitations of sources Avoid plagiarism Uses multiple sources Cites sources 	 Everything in Level 3, plus: Create a fully developed, detailed annotated bibliography 	 Use advanced searches to gather relevant information and multiple sources Accurately assess strengths and limitations of sources Avoid plagiarism Cite all sources, in paper and citations page 	 Use searches to gather relevant information Assess strengths and limitations of sources Avoid plagiarism Some sources cited in paper and citations page don't match 	 Use searches to gather information Knows how to assess strengths and limitations of sources Avoid plagiarism Most sources cited in paper and citations page don't match
 RI.6 (11.5.6.6) Determines author's point of view, bias, and purpose 	 Everything in Level 3, plus: Explain how author point of view, bias, and purpose impact the overall argument of the source 	• Determine author's point of view, potential bias, and purpose	Determine author's point of view and purpose	Determine author's point of view
RI.8 (11.5.8.8)Evaluate rhetorical appeals	 Everything in Level 3, plus: Explain how rhetorical appeals impacts the overall argument of the source 	• Evaluate rhetorical appeals used by the author	Recognize rhetorical appeals used by the author	• Know that rhetorical appeals exist
RI.10 (11.5.10.10) • Read and comprehend research	 Everything in Level 3, plus: Analyze research; make claims about the research 	Read and comprehend research	Read research	• Find research
 L.1 (11.11.1.1) Demonstrate command of standard English grammar and usage 	Everything in Level 3, plus:No errors in grammar and usage	• Demonstrate command of standard English grammar and usage	Some errors in grammar and usageMay impede reading	Many errors in grammar and usageDifficult to read
 L.2 (11.11.2.2) Demonstrate command of standard English conventions 	Everything in Level 3, plus:No errors in conventions	• Demonstrate command of standard English conventions	Some errors in conventionsMay impede reading	Many errors in conventionsDifficult to read