

STUDENT CONTRACT
Clemente Course in the Humanities™
New Bedford 2007-2010

I understand that as a student in the Clemente Course in the Humanities™, I will be provided with college-level instruction in Art History, Moral Philosophy, Literature, American History, and Writing and Critical Thinking. My teachers will challenge my mind and use their best skills to help me understand the works and ideas I will encounter in the course.

I understand that instruction, books, childcare, and a transportation subsidy, if needed, will be provided at no cost to me. These services and goods cost about \$2,400 per student--the value of the scholarship each student accepts when she/he enrolls. These funds are raised by PACE, Inc. and the Massachusetts Foundation for the Humanities, with the generous support of UMass Dartmouth.

In accepting my scholarship for the Clemente Course, I commit myself to fulfilling the following responsibilities as a student.

- To attend all classes, except in cases of illness or emergency, and to notify the course director **in advance** when I must be absent or late.
- To arrive at class promptly and prepared, and stay until the end of the session.
- To communicate with the course director about any problems that may interfere with my continuing in the course.
- To complete assignments on time and with my best effort.
- To approach the course with patience and an open mind, understanding that it will be challenging and knowing that the deepest learning changes our way of looking at the world.
- To treat my teachers, PACE staff, and my classmates with courtesy and respect.

- To engage actively in class discussion, listening and speaking with consideration for others, and understanding that lively intellectual debate is an important part of learning.
- To trust myself, my classmates and my teachers, and be willing to ask for help when I need it
- To support my classmates in their efforts to learn and to treat the class as a community in which I am a valued member.
- To complete a portfolio of my best written work by the end of the course
- To do a public reading or presentation at the end of the course

Signature_____

Date_____

