

ESSAY #1: POSTWRITE / COVER LETTER

Now that you have completed the first draft of essay #1, it's time to reflect on what you've just written and to begin to think about the revision process. "Revision" means "re-seeing" or looking at your essay with a new angle of vision, rather than simply editing or "fixing" your essay for grammatical errors. With this expansive definition of revision in mind, take a few moments to reflect on your draft, focusing first on **argument** and secondly on **style**.

What are the strong points of your draft? What needs improvement or expansion in the revision process? As you address these questions, think about the following:

- have you motivated your reader(s)?
- have you established a clear **thesis** or statement or suggestion of argument?
- how well have you used the evidence from your ad to support your argument?
- have you organized the draft clearly so that the reader can follow the movement of thought?
- have you concluded the essay in an engaging fashion?

I look forward to reading what you write. Please be honest in your assessment of your draft!