

–Freshman Research Odyssey Project–

Issues Facing the World Today

Welcome to your personal freshmen quest! We will spend some of the first semester working on an anchor project in the form of a research paper and presentation. This project will be broken into multiple parts which align with specific writing and research skills. Each part will be graded separately according to the due dates. Your final paper & presentation will be graded as a term two project grade.

Below you will find a general outline of due dates (subject to change). Your success in finishing this QUEST will rely on facing the challenges below and defeating them on time. May the odds be ever in your favor!

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Class	Task	Due Date
OCTOBER		
10/2/2024	Introduction to the Research Project and Topic Selection + Generating the research question (in Library)	Oct. 16
10/16/2024	Using/Citing background research/note-taking (in library) + Taking scholarly research notes (in Library) + Creating the Works Cited page (in library)	Oct. 30
10/30/2024	Finalizing the thesis statement (in library) + An initial hypothesis, a generated research question & a claim based on specific Research (Parts A–C completed and submitted by the end of class).	Nov. 13
NOVEMBER		
11/13/2024	Outlining & planning your paper, work on Works Cited, MLA 9 formatting, & Continue Research (in Library) + Writing the introduction & body paragraphs	Nov. 27
11/27/2024	Rough draft due :Revising introductions & writing conclusions (in classroom)	
12/10–12/13/2024	Writing Feedback/Revision Strategies(in Library)	

Final Paper due Dec. 15

***presentations will be December 14 & 15**

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Your paper will consist of:

- ☐ An initial hypothesis (part A)
- ☐ A generated research question (part B)
- ☐ A claim based on specific research (part C)
- ☐ Your research paper (part D)

Your research paper must

- ☐ Utilize 5 different sources,
 - ☐ Provide a summary of the “problem”
 - ☐ Three limitations to a solution
 - ☐ A call to action in your conclusion
- ☐ A conclusion (part E)
 - ☐ A works cited page (part F)

Topic Choices:

Technology & Social Media
Food & Drug
Equity & Diversity

The lenses in which you can explore the above topics include:

- Environmental
- Scientific
- Economic
- Political and Historical
- Artistic and Philosophical
- Cultural and Social
- Futuristic
- Ethical

You MUST pick ONE lens to be your main focus; however, you may choose one other lens as a secondary.