ENG 3773

Final Project Guidelines

On December 19, all parts of your final projects are due. No extensions, no exceptions!

- Written report, approximately 10 pages, not including front and back matter. You must turn in a paper copy.
- Presentation, approximately 15 minutes
- Project web site (including your PSA)
- Self-assessment writeup

Every report (one per group) must include

Title or cover page

Table of contents

Should include lists of figures and tables if applicable

Abstract

A 300 word summary of your main findings

Body

Note: You will likely want more specific subheadings in each area

- Introduction: Briefly explain the issue you are examining.
- Background: What is the relevant history of this topic?
- Methods: your method is library research, and you are working mostly with secondary sources. Consider the methods your sources used in their research. Indicate what they are, and any limitations involved.
- Findings: What did you learn?
- Discussion of results: What is significant about what you learned?
- Conclusions/Recommendations

References

Attachments or Appendices

Guidelines adapted from Diana Reep and the Purdue OWL

Oral Reports

Oral reports should give a coherent overview of your subject in a way that is interesting for an audience and has a clear beginning, middle, and end. Remember the Tufte reading we did and the TED talks we watched. Think about how you want to communicate with your audience, keep their attention, and teach them about your topic. You must include appropriate audiovisual/multimedia materials. Don't forget that you may include physical objects if it makes sense for your presentation.

Web Site

Your website should be easily navigable and convey the information from your report in a way that is user-friendly. Remember to carefully consider your information architecture and to avoid long pages of text that users must scroll through. You must also have your group PSA embedded in your web site, and a page of references.

Self Assessment

In about 300 words, let me know what you contributed to your group and how you think you did. What was challenging and what was easy? What did you do well and what do you think you could do better?